

**Crossing Boundaries Session
Grantmakers in Health Annual Meeting
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Biographical Sketches

Facilitator:

Deborah Meehan

Deborah Meehan is the founder and executive director of the Leadership Learning Community (LLC). LLC strengthens the practice of leadership development by linking the inquiry, practice and resources of those committed to this work. It is supported by a funding collaborative of 12 foundations. In 1991 Ms. Meehan received a Kellogg National Leadership fellowship. She has served as a consultant for the W.K. Kellogg Foundation to build an alumni association for the 700 leadership alumni of the Kellogg program. She has also conducted leadership program evaluations and has produced leadership scans, literature reviews and made program recommendations on behalf of The California Wellness Foundation, The California Endowment, Echoing Green Foundation, S.H. Cowell Foundation, The David and Lucile Packard Foundation, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Hess Leadership Institute and the Eureka Communities Fellowship Program.

Conversation Catalysts:

Chuck Bean

Chuck Bean is executive director of The Nonprofit Roundtable of Greater Washington. The roundtable's mission is to build the strength, influence, and visibility of the nonprofit sector in greater Washington. In addition to leadership on several regional initiatives, the roundtable has published, *The Business of Doing Good: How the Nonprofit Sector Contributes to the Region's Economy and Working Together When the Worst Happens: Nonprofit Emergency Preparedness in the National Capital Region*. Prior to that Mr. Bean managed the community capacity fund for Washington Grantmakers, awarding grants to help local organizations respond to community needs after the September 11th attacks. Mr. Bean has also served as deputy director of a consortium of foundations supporting empowerment zones across the country and as a vice president of a fellowship program for nonprofit executive directors. He also founded the nonprofit organization in Guatemala. He holds a bachelor's degree from Macalester College and a master's degree from Harvard University.

Carolynn Mambu

Carolynn Mambu has more than ten years experience as both a board and staff member of small, medium, and large nonprofit organizations in the Washington, DC area. She is director of public policy of the Washington Regional Association of Grantmakers in Washington, DC where she is responsible for implementing an integrated public policy agenda throughout the metropolitan region. Previously, Ms. Mambu worked for seven years as program officer for The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation, where she cochaired a working group of funders promoting regional collaboration and helped establish a regional equity network. In addition, she held

leadership positions on the Community Development Support Collaborative, the Chesapeake Bay Funders Network, and the Envision Greater Washington project.

Carmen M. Morgan

Carmen Morgan is director of Leadership Development in Interethnic Relations (LDIR), a program cosponsored by the Asian Pacific American Legal Center, the Central American Resource Center, and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. LDIR works to equip multiethnic, multicultural communities with skills to foster positive intergroup relations. Her work with the LDIR program has received national recognition and is now being piloted in Flint, Michigan and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Prior to working with LDIR, Ms. Morgan worked for the American Friends Service Committee, an international social justice organization that supports the work of gay liberation, sovereignty education, and economic justice movements in Arizona, Hawaii, New Mexico, and southern California. She is a graduate of Pacific Oaks College

Margaret O'Bryon

Margaret O'Bryon is president and chief executive officer of the Consumer Health Foundation. The foundation's work is dedicated to improving the health of Washington, DC area communities, particularly the most vulnerable members of these communities, and supporting activities that enable people to be more actively involved in their own health. Prior to joining that, Ms. O'Bryon worked for Prince Charitable Trusts and for the Institute for Urban Development Research at The George Washington University. Her early professional career was spent working for the U.S. House of Representatives. Ms. O'Bryon, a former Kellogg National Fellow, currently serves in a leadership capacity for a number of organizations, including Washington Grantmakers Health Working Group, the board of directors of Grantmakers In Health, the Washington AIDS Partnership, the national advisory committee of Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Community Health Leadership Program, D.C. Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC), and the D.C. Nonprofit Finance Fund. Ms. O'Bryon has degrees from Hamilton/Kirkland College and The George Washington University.

Kimberly Perry

Kimberly Perry works in industry initiatives at The Alliance for a Healthier Generation, a joint initiative of the William J. Clinton Foundation and the American Heart Association. Ms. Perry has more than 15 years experience mobilizing communities to pressure lawmakers to improve the quality of life for low-income children and families. She has worked in the advocacy community focusing on child health policy issues such as access to health care, and childhood hunger and obesity. As founding director of D.C. Hunger Solutions, a project of the Food Research and Action Center, Ms. Perry led effective campaigns to get rid of junk food in DC public schools, to provide free school breakfast to all public school students, and to improve access to nutritious summer meals for low-income children and youth in the nation's capital. Ms. Perry is chairwoman of D.C. Action for Healthy Kids, a national initiative to prevent childhood obesity.

Dianne Yamashiro-Omi

Dianne Yamashiro-Omi is senior program officer for culturally competent health systems for The California Endowment, which she joined in 2000. Ms. Yamashiro-Omi has more than 20

years of experience in philanthropy. She was senior program officer for the endowment's Greater Bay Area regional office, where she oversaw all administrative and grantmaking activities for that region. In addition, she served as the staff lead for the foundation's investments in community-based "focus funds." Prior to joining the endowment, she served as a foundation consultant with a number of organizations including the Levi Strauss Foundation, the Evelyn and Walter Haas Jr. Fund, the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund, the Asian Pacific American Community Fund, and the San Francisco Foundation. She served as executive director of the Asian Foundation for Community Development, codirector of Asian Health Services, and executive director of Asian Manpower, Inc. Ms. Yamashiro-Omi holds a bachelor's degree from the University of California at Berkeley.