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Samantha Artiga is a Principal Policy Analyst for the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured at the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation's Washington, DC office. The Commission, the largest operating program of the Foundation, provides information and analysis on health care coverage and access for the low-income population. Ms. Artiga's work concentrates on coverage and access to care for low-income children and adults, with a particular focus on monitoring and analyzing coverage through Medicaid, CHIP, and state-funded coverage programs; outreach and enrollment strategies; and immigrant health issues. Prior to joining the Commission, Ms. Artiga worked with the National Program Office of the *Healthy Steps for Young Children Program*, a program designed to help improve provision of health services to children between ages zero and three. Ms. Artiga holds a Masters in Health Services Administration degree with a concentration in Health Policy and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the George Washington University.

Tricia Brooks

Tricia Brooks is a Senior Fellow at the Georgetown University Center for Children and Families (CCF) and an assistant research professor at the Georgetown University Health Policy Institute. She works on policy and implementation issues affecting coverage for children and families with a focus on children who are eligible but not enrolled in Medicaid and CHIP. Ms Brooks provides policy technical assistance to the Lucille and David Packard Foundation Finish Line project and two Robert Wood Johnson Foundation initiatives: the Maximizing Enrollment Program and the National Covering Kids & Families Network. She also serves on the National Advisory Committee for the Ford Foundation Work Support Strategies Program. Prior to joining CCF, Ms. Brooks served for fifteen years as the CHIP director in New Hampshire. As the President and CEO of New Hampshire Healthy Kids Corporation (NHHK), a legislatively-created nonprofit organization that began covering kids in 1995, she took on responsibility for launching and administering New Hampshire's CHIP program as a public-private partnership in 1999. NHHK also took the lead in coordinating outreach and application assistance for Medicaid and CHIP and served as the mail-enrollment and renewal center for both programs. During her tenure with NHHK, Ms. Brooks served on the Board of Directors of the New Hampshire Health Plan, the state's high-risk pool, and participated in numerous legislative and advocacy efforts to advance health coverage for children and families. Ms. Brooks holds a Master in Business Administration from Suffolk University and a Bachelors of Science from Mars Hill College.

Joan Henneberry

Joan Henneberry is the executive director of the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing which is the agency that is responsible for public health insurance programs including Medicaid and CHP+. She is a senior health policy advisor to the Governor; developing and implementing health reform policies and initiatives. Prior to the cabinet appointment, Joan worked in the private sector after spending seven years at the National Governors Association providing consultation to states on health care services and financing, cost containment and emerging policy issues. She spent 13 years at the Colorado Department of Public Health and

Environment, chairs the board of the Colorado Regional Health Information Organization, and serves on the Executive Committee for the National Academy for State Health Policy. Joan has a master's degree in management and completed the Senior Executives in State and Local Government program at the Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government in 2008. Joan is a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives.

Cindy Mann

Cindy Mann, J.D. has served as the Director of the Center for Medicaid, CHIP and Survey & Certification (CMCS) within the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) since June 2009. As CMS Deputy Administrator and Director of CMCS, Ms. Mann is responsible for the development and implementation of national policies governing Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and the agency's provider survey and certification activities. CMCS also serves as the focal point for all CMS interactions with State and local governments and the Territories. Prior to her return to CMS in 2009, Cindy served as a research professor at the Georgetown University Health Policy Institute and was the Executive Director of the Center for Children and Families at the Institute. Her work at Georgetown focused on health coverage, financing, and access issues affecting low-income populations and States. Cindy served as Director of the Family and Children's Health Programs Group in the CMS (then HCFA) Center for Medicaid and State Operations from 1999-2001, where she played a key role in implementing the SCHIP program and led the Center's broader work on Medicaid policies affecting children and families. Before joining HCFA in 1999, Cindy directed the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities' federal and State health policy work. She also has extensive State-level experience, having worked on health care, welfare, and public finance issues in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New York. Cindy holds a law degree from the New York University School of Law.

Diane Rowland

Diane Rowland is the Executive Vice President of the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation and the Executive Director of the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured. She is also an adjunct Professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management at the Bloomberg School of Public Health of the Johns Hopkins University. In December 2009, Dr Rowland was appointed the Chair of the Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission (MACPAC), established to advise Congress on issues affecting the Medicaid and CHIP programs. She has directed the Kaiser Commission since 1991 and overseen the Foundation's health policy work since 1993. She is a noted authority on health policy, Medicare and Medicaid, and health care for low-income and disadvantaged populations and frequently testifies as an expert witness before the United States Congress on health policy issues. A nationally recognized expert with a distinguished career in public policy and research, focusing on health insurance coverage, access to care, and health care financing for low-income, elderly, and disabled populations, Dr. Rowland has published widely on these subjects. Dr. Rowland is a member of the Institute of Medicine, a founding member of the National Academy for Social Insurance, Past President and Fellow of the Association for Health Services Research (now AcademyHealth), and a member of the Board of Grantmakers in Health. She holds a Bachelor's degree from Wellesley College, a Masters in Public Administration from the University of California at Los Angeles and a Doctor of Science in health policy and management from the Johns Hopkins University.

Mary Wachtel

Mary Wachtel is Voices for Ohio's Children's Director of Health Policy, based in Columbus. Mary coordinates Voices' health policy agenda in conjunction with Voices' Public Policy Partners, advocacy partners and staff. Mary has had a long career and influential career in child and family advocacy, specializing in health policy and advocacy. She has successfully negotiated and secured bipartisan support for health-care coverage expansions for children and pregnant women, and for streamlining Medicaid enrollment and renewal processes. Current health priorities at Voices include children's coverage, access and quality; children's oral health; and health-care reform implementation. Mary serves on several advisory bodies, including Voices for America's Children's Health Policy Committee, Ohio's Medical Care Advisory Council, the BEACON Council. She co-convenes the Ohio Covering Kids and Families Coalition and co-chairs the statewide Children's Oral Health Action Team (COHAT). Mary previously worked with other non-profit organizations, including as health advocate and deputy director for the Children's Defense Fund-Ohio, as executive director of the Forum for Faith in the Workplace (Columbus), as program director for the Association of Junior Leagues International (New York), as assistant director, Northeast Region, for the U.S. Committee for UNICEF (New York), and for Bread for the World (St. Louis). Mary holds an MSW from Washington University in St. Louis and a BA from the University of Akron (Honors Scholar). Mary also holds a certificate in Education for Ministry from the Episcopal Seminary of the South, Sewanee, Tenn. Mary grew up in Coshocton County, Ohio. Her father still lives on the farm that has been in the family for more than 120 years. Mary and her husband, John Starkie, live in Columbus and are the parents of two young children, Sophia and Wyatt.

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