Implementation of the ACA for People with HIV

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BIOGRAPHIES

John Carlo
Dr. John Carlo, CEO of AIDS Arms in Dallas, Texas, completed his Doctor of Medicine at University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, followed by an internship and residency at Baylor University Medical Center. He previously worked as the Medical Director and Health Authority for Dallas County Health and Human Services, and over the years has been active in many community HIV prevention efforts. Dr. Carlo also serves as the Chair of Texas Medical Association’s Council on Science and Public Health, and remains locally active in the Dallas County Medical Society.

Laura Cheever
Laura W. Cheever, MD, ScM is the Associate Administrator and Chief Medical Officer of the HIV/AIDS Bureau at the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). She provides leadership and technical expertise in the administration of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program which serves over half a million people with HIV domestically and in HRSA’s global HIV/AIDS program. Dr. Cheever received board certification in internal medicine and infectious diseases and continues to see patients. She received her medical training at Brown University, the University of California, San Francisco, and Johns Hopkins University.

Lindsey Dawson
Lindsey Dawson is a Senior Policy Analyst with the HIV Policy team at the Kaiser Family Foundation. Dawson’s work focuses on domestic HIV policy and particularly its intersection with the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Prior to joining the Foundation, Dawson was a Policy Associate with The AIDS Institute, where she also focused on domestic HIV policy and the ACA. Prior to that, Dawson worked with the Foundation’s Program on Medicare Policy. Dawson holds a Masters in Public Policy from King’s College London and a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Women’s Studies from Smith College.

Jen Kates
Dr. Jen Kates is Vice President and Director of Global Health & HIV Policy at the Kaiser Family Foundation, where she oversees the Foundation’s policy analysis and research focused on the U.S. government’s role in global health and on the global and domestic HIV epidemics. Widely regarded as an expert in the field, she regularly publishes and presents on global health and HIV policy issues and is particularly known for her work analyzing donor government investments in global health; assessing and mapping the U.S. government’s global health architecture, programs, and funding; and tracking and analyzing major U.S. HIV programs and financing, and key trends in the HIV epidemic, an area she has been working in for twenty-five years. Prior to joining the Foundation in 1998, Dr. Kates was a Senior Associate with The Lewin Group, a health care consulting firm, where she focused on HIV policy, strategic planning/health systems analysis, and health care for vulnerable populations. Among other prior positions, she directed the Office of Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Concerns at Princeton University.

Dr. Kates serves on numerous federal and private sector advisory committees on global health and HIV issues. Currently, she is a member of the CDC/HRSA Advisory Committee on HIV,
Viral Hepatitis and STD Prevention and Treatment (CHACHSPT), is an Alternate Board Member of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, and serves on PEPFAR’s Scientific Advisory Board. She recently served on the Institute of Medicine’s (IOM) Congressionally-mandated evaluation of PEPFAR, and on two IOM study committees commissioned by the White House to inform the implementation of the National HIV/AIDS Strategy.

Dr. Kates received her Ph.D. in Health Policy from George Washington University, where she is also a lecturer. She is also a lecturer at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. She holds a Bachelor’s degree from Dartmouth College, a Master’s degree in Public Affairs from Princeton University’s Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs and a Master’s degree in Political Science from the University of Massachusetts.

Shandora Lane
Shandora Lane is a Ryan White client who lives in Atlanta, Ga. She has been HIV positive for 26 years, and has received consistent HIV care from the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program since 2009. Lane is uninsured. Her employer does not offer health insurance coverage and Lane does not qualify for Medicaid coverage in her state or for premium tax credits under the Affordable Care Act. Lane works as a restaurant server, has a teenage son, and participates in public speaking engagements about HIV.

Tim Westmoreland
Tim Westmoreland is a professor from practice at Georgetown Law. He teaches legislation and statutory interpretation, health law, and budget policy. From 2002-2005, Westmoreland was awarded the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Investigator Award in Health Policy Research for work on the budget process and health. He was the principal investigator for the “Legal Solutions in Health Reform” project at Georgetown’s O’Neill Institute on Health Law, a project that was also funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Until 2015, he was also a consulting counsel to the Energy and Commerce Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives. In that capacity, he worked on drafting, enactment, and oversight of the Affordable Care Act, among other tasks.

From 1999 to 2001, Westmoreland was the Director of the Medicaid and CHIP programs in President Clinton’s Department of Health and Human Services. From 1995 to 1999, he was a senior policy fellow at Georgetown Law, teaching in the clinical program on federal legislation. During that same period, he served as a counsel to the Koop-Kessler Advisory Committee on Tobacco Policy and Public Health, as a senior advisor on HIV/AIDS to the Kaiser Family Foundation, and as a lobbyist for the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation. From 1996-1997, he was awarded the Atlantic Fellowship in Public Policy.

Westmoreland spent the first 15 years of his career (1979-1995) at the same desk, working for the Subcommittee on Health and the Environment of the U.S. House of Representatives, under the chairmanship of Congressman Henry Waxman. In that job, he staffed hearings and legislation on public health, reproductive health, biomedical research, biomedical ethics, and health regulation.

Westmoreland is originally from the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. He went to college at Duke and law school at Yale.