## FAMILY IMPACT SEMINAR ADVERSE EFFECTS OF CHILDHOOD TRAUMA

## **Speaker Bios**

**Michel Aboutanos, M.D., M.P.H.** is a Professor of Surgery at the Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Medical Center. He also is the Chair of the VCU Division of Acute Care Surgical Services and the Medical Director for the VCU Trauma Center. He received his B.S. from the University of Scranton, his M.D. from the University of Pittsburgh-Main, and M.P.H. from Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health. Dr. Aboutanos' professional experience includes residencies at VCU Medical Center in general surgery and Johns Hopkins Hospital in preventive medicine. He held a Fellowship with the R. Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center at the University of Maryland Medical Center. Dr. Aboutanos' community activities include involvement with the VCU Medical Center's Shining Knight Gala and the VCU Injury & Violence Prevention Program. He is a member of the Panamerican Trauma Society, the International Trauma System Development Program and• Operation Helping Hands.

**Delegate Richard P. "Dickie" Bell** represents Virginia's 20<sup>th</sup> District which includes Highland and Waynesboro Counties, the City of Staunton, and parts of Augusta and Nelson Counties. Delegate Bell is a lifelong resident of Virginia and was born and raised in Staunton. He has served in the Virginia House of Delegates since 2010. Delegate Bell is a graduate of R.E. Lee High School and James Madison University. A U.S. Navy veteran of the Viet Nam era, Delegate Bell served six years as a Hospital Corpsman. Delegate Bell served over 13 years on the Staunton City Council. He is a retired Special Education educator and coach.

Delegate Bell serves on the House Education Committee and chairs the Elementary & Secondary subcommittee. He also serves on the General Laws and Health, Welfare and Institutions committees. Delegate Bell represents the House of Delegate on the State Executive Council (SEC) for the Children's Services Act (CSA) and serves on the SEC Executive Committee. Delegate Bell serves as Vice Chair on the Virginia Commission on Youth. He is also appointed to the Southeast Region Education Board, the Joint Commission to study the future of Elementary and Secondary Education in the Commonwealth, and the Autism Advisory Council.

Delegate Bell serves as a Board of Trustee member at the Frontier Culture Museum and on the Executive Committee and on the Board of Visitors of the Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind. He is also a member of the Foundation Board for the Wilson Workforce & Rehabilitation Center and sits on the Executive Commission. Delegate Bell has been married to his wife Anne for 36 years and has two adult children.

**Hayley Cleary, Ph.D.** is an Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia. She obtained undergraduate degrees from the University of Virginia and a Master of Public Policy as well as a Ph.D. in developmental psychology from Georgetown University. Dr. Cleary's research focuses on adolescent development in justice system contexts with a particular emphasis on developmental research that has public policy applications. Her primary research area is police interrogation of juveniles, though she also studies juvenile sex offending and procedural justice among juvenile defendants. Dr. Cleary's work crosses both psycholegal and criminal justice disciplines and has appeared in leading academic journals such as Law and Human Behavior and Psychology, Public Policy, and Law. She has given invited lectures at attorney conferences, police department trainings, and the FBI Academy in Quantico, VA. Dr. Cleary has served as an expert witness in criminal trials, and her work has been featured in the New York Times.

**Senator Barbara A. Favola** represents Virginia's 31<sup>st</sup> district, which includes parts of Arlington and Fairfax counties, and a portion of Loudoun County. Prior to her election as a State Senator, she served on the Arlington County Board for fourteen years (1997-2011) and chaired that body three times. During her service with the County, Senator Favola was the Board's leading advocate for children, youth and families, and her contributions to the community include establishing mental health services in the public schools.

Throughout her public life, Senator Favola has been a vigorous supporter of universal human rights. In the Virginia Senate, Barbara is focusing her legislative efforts on women's reproductive rights, health care access, K-12 education funding, workforce training, safety net programs, helping foster children, preventing domestic violence and sensible environmental policies. Senator Favola also believes that a living wage is essential for families and communities to thrive. She acknowledges that job creation and economic security are the cornerstones of a vibrant Commonwealth and a secure future.

Senator Favola serves on Virginia's Senate Local Government Committee, Rehabilitation and Social Services Committee, and Transportation Committee. She is Chair of the Virginia Advisory Committee for Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence, Chair of the Senate Women's Health Care Caucus and Chair of the Virginia's Commission on Youth. She served on Governor McAuliffe's Climate Change and Resiliency Update Commission. Senator Favola was recently appointed to the Disability Commission and the Joint Committee to Study the Future of Public Education. Senator Favola serves on the Advisory Board of Virginia Tech's School of Public and International Affairs.

Prior to Senator Favola's elected life, she served as a Presidential Management Intern and senior policy advisor at the Federal Department of Health and Human Services. She also served on the House Budget Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives. Senator Favola is the founder and managing director of Pathways to 21st Century Communities, a consulting group specializing in government relations and community outreach. In addition to her Senate duties, Ms. Favola also serves on numerous Boards and Commissions, including the Advisory Committee for the Arlington YMCA and the Fairfax CASA Board.

Allison Jackson, Ph.D., L.C.S.W., C.S.O.T.P. is the Vice President/General Manager for Magellan of Virginia. Dr. Jackson is responsible for leading the strategy and planning efforts in system transformation, helping behavioral health systems evolve and expand using a resiliency informed, strengths based, regionally focused, multi-year approach. Prior to this new role, Dr. Jackson served as Director, System of Care for Magellan of Virginia.

Prior to joining Magellan, Allison worked independently as the CEO of Integration Solutions, providing trauma informed care consultation, education and technical assistance to human service systems looking to further their integration of NEAR science (neuroscience, epigenetics, adverse childhood experiences, and resiliency) within their organizational practices, service models and overall professional partnerships with consumers. Dr. Jackson is a person of lived experience as well as being a professional who has provided services to "at-promise" youth and their families via the Department of Social Services, Public Mental Health Clinics, as well as within Juvenile Detention and Correctional facilities. For 13 years, Dr. Jackson worked within an international human service organization where she moved from working with children and families as a mentor and therapist to serving as a Vice President of Clinical Operations and the National Trauma Informed Service Line Leader. In her final years with this organization, she co-

led 17 National Trauma Informed Teams through the National Council of Behavioral Healthcare's Trauma Informed Learning Collaborative.

Dr. Jackson is passionate about ensuring all consumers have access to high quality evidence informed therapeutic services. She strives to bring the best-known evidence about recovery forward to all systems of care so that they can partner effectively with those they serve. Dr. Jackson lives in Chesterfield, VA and enjoys horseback riding and spending time with her daughters.

**Christina Mancini, Ph.D.** Is an Associate Professor of Criminal Justice in the Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs at Virginia Commonwealth University. Dr. Mancini received her B.S. in Criminology and Criminal Justice from Florida State University. She also received her M.S. and Ph.D. in Criminology and Criminal Justice from Florida State University. Dr. Mancini has published over 30 studies and two books in the areas of sexual victimization and law. She is recognized as an expert in the study of sexual offending and her work has been featured in news outlets such as the Washington Post and National Public Radio (NPR). In 2015, she became a founding member of the non-profit Sexual Offense Policy Research (SOPR) Workgroup, an international organization dedicated to improving policy responses toward sexual offending and victimization (http://www.sopresearch.org/). Dr. Mancini is an editorial advisory board member for Criminal Justice Policy Review and the Journal of Criminal Justice.