

The Society for Social Work Leadership in Healthcare presents their
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Presenter Bios



John Yasenchak, Ed.D., LCPC, LADC is currently contributing faculty in the School of Counseling, Walden University. Previously, he served as Assistant Professor for Graduate Counseling, Husson University. Prior to that, he taught for many years in the Graduate Counseling program at the University of Maine, Orono. John has served as President of the Maine Counseling Association, Chair of the North Atlantic Region American Counseling Association, and as Board Member, Co-occurring Collaborative Serving Maine. He currently sits on the Maine State Substance Use Commission and is active on the editorial board of *Counseling and Values*. John began his teaching career as a philosophy instructor with a specialty in ethics. He has presented on digital ethics, post-humanism, spiritual/religious issues in the practice of counseling. John has been a student and teacher of yoga for over twenty five years.



Dan Johnson, PhD, LCPC, CCS, has worked in the mental health field for over thirty years in several different roles. He was a school counselor in his local community of Mt. Desert Island before becoming a clinician on the inpatient Children's Unit at Acadia Hospital in 1993. In 2000 he became the clinical supervisor of the Child and Adolescent Service while completing his PhD in Counselor Education at UMO. His research focused on inpatient adolescents with histories of trauma. For a 10-year period, Dan taught graduate level courses at the University of Maine and Husson University Counselor Education programs. In 2008, Dan became the clinical supervisor of the Narcotic Treatment Program, which at that time had over 900 clients. In 2010, Dan was named the director of Education at Acadia but continued doing some clinical work such as chronic pain groups and a men's outpatient trauma group. In 2014 Dan left the hospital and became Executive Director of the Acadia Family Center in Southwest Harbor, a mental health and substance use disorder outpatient program. During this time Dan started a Suboxone program and also worked with the Seacoast Mission, offering telehealth services to several of the outer islands. Dan retired at the end of 2018 but in the fall of 2019 was recruited to work part-time in Healthy Life Resources, offering counseling services for Jackson Lab employees two days a week.

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Angela Fileccia has 20 years of experience in the field of behavioral health with extensive expertise and knowledge of mental, behavioral and social health needs of patients. She began her career working with children with serious emotional disturbance and then transitioned to working with adults. She worked with adults and elders in both a psychiatric and medical hospital, providing inpatient, acute psychotherapy and care transition planning to patients with serious and persistent mental illness and substance use disorders. She's provided clinical supervision to case managers serving a wide variety of individuals, including individuals with mental illness, intellectual disabilities, and HIV. She was the chief officer of a multi-disciplinary care management department of 40 providers - nurse care managers, social work care managers and medical assistant health coaches; overseeing all aspects of care management functions, including transitions from hospital to home or skilled nursing facilities to home, chronic medical and psychiatric disease care management and health education. She helped found Unlimited Solutions Clubhouse, a SAMSHA evidence-based psycho-social rehabilitation model for people with severe and persistent mental illness. Currently, she manages a mental health, population health management program, Healthy Life Resources. This program works directly with employers to provide mental wellness services to employees, reducing stigma associated with mental health services, educating employees on mental wellness, and assisting at-risk employees.



Chris McLaughlin, LCSW is the Associate Vice President of Community and Pediatric Services at Northern Light Acadia Hospital in Bangor, Maine. Chris has over 20 years of experience providing mental health services to youth and families across a variety of settings. Chris is an adjunct faculty member at both UMaine in Orono and Husson University in Bangor and is the Clinical Consultant for the Bangor YMCA. He serves on the Maine Board of Social Work Licensing and is a member of the NASW and the SSWLHC. Nationally, he was the SSWLHC's 2019 recipient of the Eleanor Clark Award for Innovative Programs in Patient Care for his work on youth suicide prevention. Locally, Chris was recognized in 2019 for his advocacy work with LGBTQ+ youth and was named Health Care Social Worker of the Year in 2019 by the Maine Hospital Association and the Maine Chapter of the SSWLHC. In the Spring of 2020, Chris was named the University of Maine School of Social Work's Alumni of the Year.

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Carey Nason, LCSW, LADC, CCS, is the Executive Director of St. Andre Home, which celebrates its 80th anniversary this year of serving women and children in need. Carey's career has focused on addressing interpersonal violence such as human trafficking and domestic and sexual violence, along with the intersections with substance use. She is a University of Maine School of Social Work graduate. In her free time, she enjoys being in the outdoors.



Ahmen Mahmuda, MD is a pediatric endocrinologist who works for Northern Light Health's Pediatric Endocrinology and Diabetes practice in Bangor, Maine as well as Northern Light Pediatric Endocrinology and Diabetes at Inland Hospital in Waterville, Maine. She sees patients for concerns of hormone issues, specifically addressing blood sugar problems and other hormone imbalances. She also leads the Pediatric Gender Clinic and works with gender diverse and transgender children and adolescents. Dr. Mahmuda completed her education at Baystate Children's Hospital in Pediatric Endocrinology, Nassau University Medical Center in Pediatrics and at the Universidad Iberoamericana. She is certified in Pediatric Endocrinology and Pediatrics through the American Board of Pediatrics.



Anna Mayo, Psy.D., is a pediatric psychologist who works in Northern Light Health's Pediatric Specialty Care. She specializes in helping patients and their families address the biopsychosocial factors affecting the patient's physical health. She is also part of the Pediatric Endocrine Gender Clinic and provides care for gender diverse and transgender children and adolescents. In addition to pediatric work, Anna is certified in Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, and she is a credentialed Health Service Psychologist by the National Register of Health Service Psychologists.