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AIA MICHIGAN HEALTH FACILITIES SEMINAR: RENOWNED SPEAKERS

The Health Facilities Planning Seminar is held each year to provide architects, engineers, healthcare executives and other interested professionals with the latest available information which will assist them in planning, designing, constructing and maintaining health facilities. AIA Michigan has collaborated with the State of Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) to ensure the presentation of the most up-to-date information that complies with state healthcare and facility regulations. The seminar attracts a wide range of professionals concerned with the implications of evolving healthcare technology upon the facilities they plan, design, construct, administer or maintain.

This installment of in our series on the Health Facilities Planning Seminar is focused on the event's presenters. Some speakers are travelling from across the country, some are local celebrities and all are experts in their respective fields. Read below for speaker biographies as well as a few speakers' insight as to what drew them to the 2016 Health Facilities Planning Seminar.

Derek Selke, AIA, ACHA - Derek views his role as architect to be vital to the healing process. Focusing his talents in healthcare architecture, he leads the incorporation of holistic design into projects. Using his ability to listen and fully understand client needs and objectives, Derek provides clients with design solutions that achieve the desired care outcomes. He recognizes the ability of design to impact the environment, and he uses spatial relationships to create environments that positively affect patients, families and staff. His expertise in holistic design is a product of close observation of the healthcare experience. A former member of a care center's Board of Directors, he understands that the user experience is the only true measurement of design success. Observation has taught Derek that interacting with the natural environment promotes well-being—advancing his interest in creating spaces that seamlessly integrate indoor and outdoor spaces.

Linda Wessic, RN, BSN, MBA - In the role of Chief Operating Officer Linda assumes responsibility for clinical care across the healthcare continuum. As the healthcare system continues to evolve, an increased emphasis is placed on advancing care outside the walls of the traditional hospital. Linda has focused efforts on "right sizing" inpatient care; advancing care models that provide for optimal safety, quality and financial outcomes. Concurrently she has lead the development of an enhanced outpatient/ambulatory care model that allows for a team based approach to patient management, deploying high level clinical professionals such as nurses, pharmacists and social workers to the physician practice environment. Linda's responsibility is to ensure that facility design supports and complements the evolving health care delivery model.

Jeff Williams - Jeff's professional career spans more than 30 years and has included diverse experiences in healthcare, industrial manufacturing and the military. Jeff currently serves as the Vice President of Facility Operations & Safety Officer for Major Hospital and Major Health Partners. His responsibilities include managing the planning, design and construction of Major Hospital's new replacement hospital. Jeff previously served as Vice President of Human Resources for Muncie Power Products, Director of Human Resources for Ryobi Die Casting (USA), Manager of Human Resources for Detroit Steel Products, Personnel and Safety Director for Exide Corporation and Personnel Manager ICM Krebsoge. Jeff is a past president of the Morristown Indiana Chamber of Commerce. Paralleling his business career Jeff served 22 years in the military and is a retired United States Army Reserve Officer (April 2002), he was last active in the Indiana Army National Guard assigned to the 38th Infantry Division Support Command as the S-3 (Operations Officer.)

Jack Gilbert, PhD – Dr. Jack Gilbert earned his Ph.D. from Unilever and Nottingham University, UK in 2002 and received his postdoctoral training at Queens University, Canada. He subsequently returned to the UK in 2005 to Plymouth Marine Laboratory as a senior scientist until his move to Argonne National Laboratory and the University of Chicago in 2010. Currently, Dr. Gilbert is Group Leader for Microbial Ecology at Argonne National Laboratory, Associate Professor in the Department of Ecology and Evolution and the Department of Surgery at the University of Chicago, Associate Director of the Institute of Genomic and Systems Biology, Research Associate at the Field Museum of Natural History, and Senior Scientist at the Marine Biological Laboratory. Dr. Gilbert uses molecular analysis and sequencing tools to test fundamental hypotheses in microbial ecology. He has authored more than 180 peer reviewed publications and book chapters on metagenomics and approaches to ecosystem ecology. He is currently working on generating observational and mechanistic models of microbial communities in natural, urban, built and human ecosystems. He is on the advisory board of the Genomic Standards Consortium, and is the founding Editor in Chief of mSystems. Among other projects, he leads the Earth Microbiome Project, Home Microbiome Project, Hospital Microbiome Project, and co-founded American Gut.

Greg Horner – Greg is Vice President of Operational Excellence at The University of Chicago Medicine leading transformational change and utilizing lean principles to improve patient and staff experience by taking a holistic approach to healthcare logistics. Greg is an ASQ certified Six Sigma Black Belt and a student of the Toyota Production System (Lean). He is 2nd generation TPS having studied under a Sensei from Toyota including the proper use of 3P and standard work. Greg is a certified systems engineer, and earned a master's degree in Enterprise Improvement and Innovation from DePaul University in Chicago.



Sheila F. Cahnman AIA, FACHA, LEED AP – Sheila is a nationally recognized expert with over thirty years' experience in hospital planning. She was named one of top twenty-five most influential in healthcare design by Healthcare Design Magazine 2010. She has presented at over 30 conferences and symposiums and published over 25 articles focusing on current health facility trends. She serves on the ASHE Patient Experience / HCAHPS Task Force and co-authored their recent publication.

“The Seminar is great because it is large enough to attract top speakers but contained enough to permit all those present to attend all the same sessions. This allows me, as a presenter, to engage with the attendees during the breaks and have meaningful, topical discussions. The content is high level and relevant to the issues facing our practice in Michigan and nationally.” – Sheila Cahnman, AIA, FACHA, LEED AP

Louis Wetstein, PhD, PE – Louis is the Senior Director of Engineering, Strategy and Support at NYU Langone Medical Center in New York City. In his twenty five year career, Louis has worked in a variety of capacities in the fields of medical devices and healthcare facilities. Louis has a broad background in biomedical engineering, medical equipment, facilities management, infection control, water and air quality issues and administrative procedures in the healthcare setting. As part of the ongoing restoration projects underway due to the catastrophic damages sustained during Superstorm Sandy, Louis is leading the effort to develop and execute a strategic plan for building infrastructure throughout the NYU Langone Medical Center, including comprehensive infrastructure risk assessments and implementation of risk mitigation measures. Louis is a licensed Professional Engineer in New York and he holds advanced degrees in Biomedical Engineering.

Ronald R. Henry, AIA, NCARB – Ron is the Detroit Medical Center's Senior Vice President, Chief Facility Management, Engineering and Construction Officer as well as DMC's Vice President of Performance Management and Innovation (PMI). Ron holds a Masters of Architecture degree from the University of Michigan. In his role with the DMC, he is responsible for Real Estate, Compliance, Design & Construction, Parking & Transportation and Facility Engineering. Currently, one of his responsibilities includes the \$850 million Capital Building program and transformation from a non-profit to a for-profit system. Ron's role has been expanded to include DMC's PMI to create a sustainable, high performance operating system enabling DMC to become a top 15 healthcare system nationally. His teams' mission is to align strategy to results, transfer knowledge, drive performance improvement and cultivate innovation across all DMC platforms clinically and operationally. Ron will be co-presenting with the following representatives from the DMC: Suzanne Chynoweth, Annette Hartner, Lynnelle Davis and Jim Lawrence.

James M. Hunt, AIA - James is a practicing architect and facility management professional with over 37 years of experience with behavioral healthcare design and operation. He was director of facilities management for the Menninger Clinic for 20 years. He is co-author of the "Design Guide for the Built Environment of Behavioral Health Facilities" that is published electronically by the Facility Guidelines Institute (www.fgiguilines.org/beyond). He speaks and publishes articles frequently. He is now the president of Behavioral Health Facility Consulting, LLC, an organization that has consulted with behavioral health facilities and architects designing them on improving patient and staff safety in 30 states and Canada.

Dee Kumpar - Dee serves as the Manager Enterprise Safe Patient Handling Programs at Hill-Rom/Liko. Previous roles include Corporate Risk Management, Workers Compensation Review and Surgery. Dee received her MBA from Marylhurst University, her BSN and Lean Healthcare Certification from the University of Michigan. She is a Certified Safe Patient Handling Professional, and member of the ASPHP Board; an active member of ANA, ASHRM, and AORN and national speaker. Dee worked with the American Nurses Association to write the Safe Patient Handling and Mobility Interprofessional National Standards released June 2013 and is currently working with the Facilities Guidelines Institute to revise recommendations for bariatric care in the healthcare setting.

Neal Boothe, PE - Neal has over 21 years of experience in the design and construction of healthcare facilities. His experience includes a wide variety of healthcare projects from small hospital renovations to complex additions and new greenfield facilities. He was recognized among Consulting - Specifying Engineer's 2009 "40 Under 40" for his expertise and experience in engineering design. Neal's experience includes over 5 Million square feet of healthcare design work.

Join AIA Michigan + LARA at the Grand Traverse Resort on March 10th-11th for the Health Facilities Planning Seminar. More information and registration is available at the [AIA Michigan website](#).

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