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## **Speaker Bios**



Stacey Antine, MS, RD, is the founder and CEO of HealthBarn USA, Inc., the leader in proven hands-on healthy-lifestyle education for children and their families. HealthBarn USA opened its first location at ABMA's Farm & Market of Wyckoff, New Jersey in April 2005; and now offers its school programs at Speyer Farm in North Salem, NY and its wildly popular "Try it, You'll Like it" school assembly nationwide.

She is a registered dietitian with a Master's of Science in Food, Nutrition and Dietetics from New York University. Stacey has over 20 years of experience as a nutrition counselor, speaker, writer and media spokesperson—including 18 years in public relations. She combines her passion for nutrition and health with her public relations experience creating educational campaigns for children and adults on behalf of big name food companies to make HealthBarn USA a distinctive model for behavioral change for families' long-term health.



Cynthia F. Bearer, MD, PhD is the Mary Gray Cobey Professor of Neonatology and Chief of the Division of Neonatology in the Department of Pediatrics at University of Maryland Hospital for Children. Dr. Bearer is board certified in both pediatrics and neonatal-perinatal medicine. She received her Ph.D. in biochemistry from Case Western Reserve University and her M.D. from the Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Bearer has published

and presented extensively on issues related to fetal and pediatric environmental exposures. Dr. Bearer is Chair of the Board of the Children's Environmental Health Network. She has served on the Committee to Evaluate Children's Health of the National Academy of Science and is a past President of the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Study Group. She is on the editorial board of *Neurotoxicology*. She has been a member of the Scientific Advisory Board for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Advisory Group to the Director of the National Center for Environmental Health at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



**David Becker, MD, MPH**, is Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of California, San Francisco, and Affiliate Faculty at the Osher Center for Integrative Medicine at UCSF. He has a background in international humanitarian aid work and integrative medicine. Following Medical School, a master's degree in Public Health, and pediatric residency training at UNC, Chapel Hill, he spent a year

overseas with Doctors Without Borders. Since starting at UCSF he has completed the UCSF Teaching Scholars Program. In 2006 he completed the University of Arizona's two-year Associate Fellowship in Integrative Medicine, supported in part by a

scholarship award from the Bravewell Collaborative for Integrative Medicine.



**Fritjof Capra, PhD**, physicist and systems theorist, is a founding director of the Center for Ecoliteracy in Berkeley, California. The Center advances schooling for sustainability; its most recent book on this growing movement in K-12 schools is *Smart by Nature: Schooling for Sustainability* (2009). Dr. Capra is on the faculty of Schumacher College,

an international center for ecological studies in England, and frequently gives management seminars for top executives. He is the author of several international bestsellers, including *The Web of Life* and *The Hidden Connections*. His most recent book, *The Science of Leonardo*, was published in paperback by Anchor Books in December 2008.



Margaret Chesney, PhD, is a Professor in Residence in the Department of Medicine and the Osher Foundation Distinguished Professor in Integrative Medicine at the School of Medicine, University of California San Francisco (UCSF). Prior to returning to UCSF in January, 2010, she was a Professor of Medicine and the Associate Director of the Center for Integrative Medicine at the University of Maryland, School of Medicine. Before

joining the University of Maryland, Dr. Chesney was the Deputy Director of the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH). During her five years at NCCAM, Dr. Chesney also served as the Director of the Division of Extramural Research and Training and as a Senior Advisor to the Director of the Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research at NIH.



**Oscar Guardado** is a Bilingual Health Educator for the Nutrition Wellness Program, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Human Services, County of Marin, CA. He is the former Health Education Director at Marin Community Clinics and former Public Health instructor at Universidad de El Salvador.



**Richard Jackson, MD, MPH**, is Professor and Chair of Environmental Health Sciences at the School of Public Health at the University of California, Los Angeles. A pediatrician and public health leader, he recently served as a professor at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and at the University of California, Berkeley. He served in many leadership positions with the California Health Department, including the highest, State Health Officer. For nine years he was Director of the

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC's) National Center for Environmental Health in Atlanta. In 2005 he was recognized with the highest civilian award for US Government service, the Presidential Distinguished Executive Award.



**Wayne Jonas, MD**, is Samueli Institute's President and Chief Executive Officer. He has had a long and distinguished career as a student, practitioner, and researcher of conventional medicine as well as

complementary and alternative medical (CAM) practices. His experience includes service as an administrator; international conference chairman, speaker, panel moderator, peer reviewer and author of books and scientific articles on conventional and CAM topics. He is also currently an Associate Professor of Family Medicine at the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland, where he co-founded a CAM curriculum. Dr. Jonas served as Director of the Office of Alternative Medicine at the National Institutes of Health from 1995 until 1999 and prior to that was Director of the Medical Research Fellowship at Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, Washington, D.C. Dr. Jonas is a graduate of Davidson College, Davidson, North Carolina and Wake Forest University School of Medicine, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.



**Joel Kreisberg, DC, MA**, is the Founder and Executive Director of the Teleosis Institute, an institution dedicated to reducing healthcare's footprint while broadening its ecological vision. Dr. Kreisberg is an adjunct professor at the School of Holistic Studies at John F. Kennedy University in Pleasant Hill, CA. Author of *The Homeopathic Treatment of Poison Ivy and Poison* 

Oak, and An Integral Ecology of Sudden Oak Death, Dr. Kreisberg continues to teach worldwide. He maintains a private practice in Homeopathy and Integral Healthcare in Berkeley, CA. Dr. Kreisberg completed a Doctor of Chiropractic from New York Chiropractic College his Masters of Arts in Integral Ecology from Prescott.



**Richard Louv** is a journalist and author of seven books about the connections between family, nature and community. His most recent book, *Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children From Nature-Deficit Disorder* (Algonquin), translated into 9 languages and published in 13 countries, has stimulated an international conversation about the relationship between children and nature. Louv is also the chairman and co-

founder of the Children & Nature Network, an organization helping build the movement to connect today's children and future generations to the natural world. He is working on his eighth book, about the restorative power of nature.



**Tieraona Low Dog, MD**, is the Fellowship Director at the Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine and Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine at the University of Arizona Health Sciences Center. With more than 30 years in the field, she was appointed by President Bill Clinton to the White House Commission on Complementary and Alternative Medicine Policy, served on the advisory council for the National Institutes of Health

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine and was the elected Chair for the United States Pharmacopeia Dietary Supplements and Botanicals Expert Information Committee from 2000-2010. Having trained as a midwife, herbalist, massage therapist, she is now an internationally recognized expert in the fields of herbal and integrative medicine.



**Daphne Miller, MD**, is a family physician and author. For the past fifteen years her clinical work and her writing has focused on exploring

the balance and interplay between nature's processes, traditional healing and western medical interventions. She currently provides primary care for patients from ages 0 to 104 at Wholefamilymd, an integrative family practice in San Francisco. In addition, she is an Associate Clinical Professor at the University of California and lectures nationally and internationally on topics related to food and healing. Her recent book, *The Jungle Effect* (HarperCollins 2008) is a nutrition, cookbook, travelogue, which chronicles her voyages to areas the world that are still relatively free of modern chronic diseases. Dr. Miller also contributes a column to the health section of the *Washington Post*. She is a graduate of Brown University and Harvard Medical School and completed her Family Medicine residency and a primary care research fellowship at the University of California, San Francisco.



Elise Miller, MEd, is Director of the Collaborative on Health and the Environment (CHE), a major program of Commonweal. Prior to becoming Director of CHE in early 2009, she founded and served as Executive Director of the national Institute for Children's Environmental Health for 10 years and merged the Institute with Commonweal when she transitioned to

CHE. An expert facilitator and respected leader in the field of environmental health, she serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the Science and Environmental Health Network and The Endocrine Disruptors Exchange. She is also on the Professional Advisory Boards of four other national nonprofits. In addition, she serves on the EPA's Children's Health Protection Advisory Committee. Ms. Miller formerly was the founding executive director of the Jenifer Altman Foundation. Earlier in her professional career, she was a stringer for *The Economist* and *Christian Science Monitor* based in India, where she also researched her graduate thesis regarding the experience of teenage girls. She graduated from Dartmouth College in 1985 and received her Master's degree in Education from Harvard University in 1992.



Larry Rosen, PhD, is a board-certified general pediatrician committed to family-centered, holistic child health care. He practices primary care at the Whole Child Center in Oradell, NJ and consults at the Joseph M. Sanzari Children's Hospital at Hackensack University Medical Center, serving as Medical Advisor to the Deirdre Imus Environmental Center for Pediatric Oncology. Dr. Rosen is a nationally recognized expert in Pediatric

Integrative Medicine, a founding member and chair-elect of the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Complementary and Integrative Medicine. He is appointed as Clinical Assistant Professor in Pediatrics at UMDNJ/New Jersey Medical School. Dr. Rosen is a graduate of New York Medical College and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and he completed his residency and chief residency in pediatrics at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York.



**Barbara Sattler, RN, DrPH, FAAN**, is a Professor at the University of Maryland School of Nursing where she directs the Environmental Health Education Center and the only graduate program in Environmental Health Nursing in the U.S., which includes masters and doctoral studies. She has been the PI on grants from the National Institute of Environmental Health

Science, the U.S. EPA, HUD, and the CDC, and funded by a range of private foundations. She is the co-author of *Environmental Health and Nursing* and a long list of journal articles and chapters in nursing texts on environmental health. She serves on the US EPA's Child Health Protection Advisory Board, the Governor's Commission on Environmental Justice, and the CDC's National Council on Chemical Policy. Dr. Sattler is a founding member of the Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments, a national alliance of individual nurses and nursing organizations. She is working with the World Health Organization (WHO) and has trained nursing faculty who are part of WHO's Collaborating Centers around the world. She is a Registered Nurse, with a Masters and Doctorate in Public Health from the Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health, and a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing.



**Katherine Shea, MD, MPH**, is a board certified pediatrician (1984) and board eligible in preventive medicine (1996) with specialty training in environmental health. She is an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Maternal and Child Health of the School of Public Health, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and on the Adjunct Faculty of Duke University Medical Center. Dr. Shea does technical consulting and

scientific editing for World Health Organization and the Intergovernmental Forum for Chemical Safety, and works part time at North Carolina State University Student Health Service as a staff physician. Dr. Shea served for six years on the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Committee on Environmental Health from 1996 to 2002, was the lead author on the 2007 AAP Technical Report and Policy Statement on Global Climate Change and Children's Health, and remains actively involved in children's environmental health policy development with the American Academy of Pediatrics and the North Carolina Pediatric Society.