# Children's Mental Health Summit



The buffet lunch, afternoon snack, and all beverage service are available in the foyer outside of the Cecil B. Day Chapel.

### Schedule of events

Note: All presentations will occur in the Cecil B. Day Chapel.

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. - Registration, coffee/tea

8:30 - 9 a.m. - Welcome remarks and keynote address, Ken Fasola, CEO, Magellan Health

"A nation's youth hurts: Magellan responds"

Ken Fasola joined Magellan Health as CEO in November 2019. He is responsible for Magellan's strategic direction and overall growth, as well as the development and operational execution of the Company's business strategy. Fasola has a successful leadership career spanning three decades in the healthcare industry. Fasola holds a Bachelor of Science in Health Planning and Administration from Pennsylvania State University.

9 - 9:30 a.m. - "Discussion on children with complex mental health needs"

- Candice Broce, Commissioner, Georgia Department of Human Services and Director, Division of Family & Children's Services
- **Grant Thomas**, Director of Health Strategy and Coordination, Office of Governor Brian P. Kemp
- Ken Fasola, CEO, Magellan Health

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. - Keynote address, **Caroline Carney, MD**, President of Behavioral Health and Chief Medical Officer, Magellan Healthcare

"How the pandemic has shaped children's mental health"

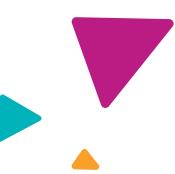
Dr. Caroline Carney is a board-certified internist and a board-certified psychiatrist that joined Magellan Health in 2016. Prior to Magellan, she served as the medical director for the Indiana Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning. She is a frequent speaker about behavioral health services, integrated and collaborative care, and the importance of self-care during the pandemic. Dr. Carney is a published author and co-author for over 100 peer and non-peer reviewed publications focusing on issues surrounding comorbid medical and behavioral health conditions. She started her medical and academic career at the University of Iowa where she earned her medical degree, as well as a master's degree, and directed the Med-Psych residency program. She continues to engage in regular clinical work by supporting the behavioral health team at a federally qualified health center.

10:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Plenary session, "Elevating the voices of children, young people, and their families"

Moderator: Barbara Dunn, Senior Director for Children's Care, Magellan Healthcare

#### Panelists:

- Lee Woodall, former NFL player, and a parent of a child with Autism
- **Terri Matthews**, CEO of Jaden's Voice, and parent of a child with Autism
- Angela Bell, Youth Advocate from Georgia EmpowerMEnt
- Shakayla Earl, Youth Advocate from Georgia EmpoweMEnt
- Lisa Pace, Director of Operations, Georgia Parent Support Network





12:45 – 1:05 p.m. – Keynote address, Mrs. Sheree Ralston, First Lady, Georgia House of Representatives

Mrs. Sheree Ralston is the wife of Georgia House Speaker David Ralston. As the First Lady of the House, she was instrumental in pushing for reforms regarding Georgia's mental health system. Her voice helped lead the charge in the introduction and passage of HB 1013, a transformative signature piece of legislation of the 2022 Georgia General Assembly. The Ralston's reside in Blue Ridge, Georgia and Mrs. Ralston serves as Executive Director of the Fannin County Economic Development Authority. Together they have four children.

1:05 – 1:25 p.m. – The Carter Center Presentation of the Youth Voice Report, hosted by **Eve Byrd**, Director of the Mental Health Program, The Carter Center

1:25 – 1:45 p.m. – Magellan Cares Foundation Awards Presentation, hosted by **Diane Marciano**, Vice President of Business Development, Magellan Healthcare & **Ken Fasola**, CEO, Magellan Health

#### **Award Recipients:**

- The Carter Center
- The Multi-Agency Alliance for Children

2 – 3:00 p.m. – Keynote address, Ann DiGirolamo, Ph.D., M.P.H., Director of Behavioral Health, Georgia Health Policy Center

"Post-traumatic growth: Supporting the emotional wellbeing of children, families, and providers"

At the Georgia Health Policy Center, Ann DiGirolamo oversees several projects aimed at improving and expanding the System of Care for children's behavioral health in Georgia through capacity building, ongoing research and evaluation, and strong partnerships with state agencies. She is also a research associate professor in the School of Social Work at Georgia State University and an adjunct faculty member at Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University. DiGirolamo provides expertise in research, evaluation, workforce development, and policy related to child and adolescent behavioral health, working with communities and within public health systems to promote an effective System of Care for youth with behavioral health needs. DiGirolamo is a pediatric psychologist with additional training in public health and maternal and child nutrition.

3 – 3:30 p.m. – Networking opportunity and Snack break (Make your own trail mix bar; Cookies; Hummus and crackers)

**3:30 – 4:45 p.m.** – Plenary session, "Next steps - Georgia community organizations partnering to implement mental health initiatives for children and young adults "

Moderator: Dr. Caroline Carney, President, Behavioral Health and Chief Medical Officer, Magellan Healthcare

#### Panelists:

- Heather Rowles, Executive Director, The Multi-Agency Alliance for Children
- Erica Fener Sitkoff, Executive Director, Voices for Georgia's Children
- Belisa Urbina, Executive Director, Ser Familia
- Todd Jones, Georgia House of Representatives, District 25



4:45 – 5 p.m. – Closing remarks, **Ken Fasola**, CEO, Magellan Health

## Grant award recipients

# The following awards are being presented to local not for profit organizations courtesy of the Magellan Cares Foundation

(www.MagellanHealth.com/about/Magellan-Cares).

### A \$10,000 grant to The Carter Center – cartercenter.org

The Carter Center is guided by the principles of its founders, Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter. Founded, in partnership with Emory University, on a fundamental commitment to human rights and the alleviation of human suffering, the Center seeks to prevent and resolve conflicts, enhance freedom and democracy, and improve health.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Carter, a longtime champion for the rights of people with mental illnesses, the Carter Center's Mental Health Program works to promote awareness about mental health issues, inform public policy, achieve parity for mental health care, and reduce stigma and discrimination.

In Georgia, The Carter Center works to:

- Increase enforcement of behavioral health parity to improve access to care for all.
- Ensure access to school-based behavioral health for youth.
- Advance capacity to provide services for older adults with serious mental illnesses.

The Carter Center hosts the annual Rosalynn Carter Georgia Mental Health Forum, which will be held virtually May 18 & 19 in 2022.

### A \$5,000 grant to The Multi-Agency Alliance for Children – maac4kids.org

Multi-Agency Alliance for Children (MAAC) is a collaborative effort focused on helping youth who have experienced foster care in the state of Georgia overcome their unique challenges and find success. MAAC refuses to let these young people fall through the cracks. MAAC is dedicated to filling service gaps and building innovative solutions within the child welfare system by collaborating with partner agencies and focusing on providing care coordination and other services that emphasize youth voice and choice, at the forefront of everything they do. MAAC focuses on serving youth in foster care with high-end behavioral health needs, serving over 1,000 youth each month between ten core programs addressing needs such as placement, self-sufficiency, crisis recovery, and more.

As part of their commitment to youth voice, MAAC became the home for Georgia EmpowerMEnt in 2008. They believe youth voice and input can inform the discussion about what is needed in Georgia. EmpowerMEnt has convened and engaged more than 300 current and former foster youth in Georgia to develop the list of EmpowerMEnt priorities. This list was compiled by youth representing a wide mix of age, race, sex, parental status, geography, and foster care placements. EmpowerMEnt is an initiative founded by former and current foster youth in Georgia who are working with community leaders to change the foster care system. The trained advocates are willing to be the voices for youth currently in foster care and they work to change the system for the better.



For more information about the conference presentations and Magellan's children's services information, visit MagellanHealthcare.com/GeorgiaSummit.





