

Disability-Competent Care Webinar Roundtable Series

Integrating Behavioral Health Competency within Disability-Competent Teams



Christopher Duff, M. Div., has thirty years experience in the design and development of community-based rehabilitation and waiver services for adults with disabilities. He is currently Executive Director of the Disability Practice Institute, developing and advocating disability-competent practices in the delivery of health care services and supports, and promoting the dissemination of an integrated, team-based model of disability care practice. He was lead author in the development of the Disability Competent Care Assessment Tool. Most recently, he was President/CEO of AXIS Healthcare, the care management component of the Minnesota Disability Health Options and other waiver and health plan initiatives. AXIS Healthcare was a leader in the development of disability care coordination, utilizing clinical guidelines and practice standards to ensure persons with disabilities receive timely and appropriate care and support. He has been active in public policy and advocacy efforts at both the state and Federal levels. He has a Bachelors of Arts in Social Services Administration from the University of Minnesota and a Masters of Divinity from United Theological Seminary.

Cindy Guddal

Cindy Guddal holds a Master's Degree in Social Work from the University of Minnesota. She is a Licensed Independent Social Worker, Certified Psychiatric Rehabilitation Professional and a Certified Brain Injury Specialist. She has over 20 years of experience providing community-based services to individuals with various disabilities, including mental health disabilities. Cindy is the Manager for Community Services at Courage Kenny Rehabilitation Institute. Cindy has presented regionally and nationally on the topics of brain injury, mental illness and community integration for individuals with moderate to severe disabilities.

Dr. Brian Gould

Dr. Brian Gould is a board certified psychiatrist with a long interest in psychopharmacology and the psychiatric treatment of severe neurologic disabilities.

Trained at the Johns Hopkins University and the Medical School of the University of California at San Francisco. Dr. Gould's became a recognized expert in the psychological aspects of amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (Lou Gehrig Disease). He was Corporate Medical Director for Blue Cross of California, and a senior executive at United Healthcare Corporation. In 1998 Dr. Gould left United Healthcare and since then has headed innovative projects in international health care and health care information technology at WellPoint, SureScripts, NaviNet and most recently, development of a telepsychiatry product for a ValueOptions and American Well joint venture. Since 2010, Dr. Gould has resumed his clinical practice as the psychiatric consultant to the Courage Kenny Rehabilitation Institute.