

# Assembly California Legislature

## JOINT INFORMATIONAL HEARING

Subject: Overview on the Fentanyl and Overdose Crisis

Select Committee on Fentanyl, Opioid Addiction, and Overdose Prevention, Public Safety  
Committee and Health Committee  
Assemblymembers Haney, Wood, and Jones-Sawyer, Chairs  
1021 O Street, Room 1100 - May 24, 2023 9:00 am to 12:30 pm

## Biographies

### **Keith Humphreys, PhD**

Dr. Humphreys is the Esther Ting Memorial Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Stanford University. His research addresses addictive disorders and translation of science into public policy.

Dr. Humphreys has been extensively involved in the formation of public policy, having testified to U.S. House and Senate Committees and in many state legislatures, and having served on the White House Commission on Drug-Free Communities during the Bush Administration and as Senior Policy Advisor in the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy under President Obama.

He created and co-directs the Stanford Network on Addiction Policy, which brings scientists and policy makers together to improve public policies regarding addictive substances.

### **Aimée Dunkle**

Ms. Dunkle is the Executive Director of the Solace Foundation of Orange County, a registered non-profit that she established after the accidental overdose death of her 20-year-old son, Ben. She provides Overdose Prevention and Response Training to individuals struggling with a substance use disorder, their families and friends, community members, and organizations throughout Orange County. To date, the Solace Foundation has distributed over 50,000 doses of naloxone and recorded over 2,600 overdose reversals.

Aimée is a board member of Broken No More, an international advocacy organization working to change harmful policies affecting people who use substances, based in California. Also, its subsidiary, GRASP (Grief Recovery After a Substance Passing) an international grief support group consisting of almost 20,000 members. GRASP's mission is to provide a safe, non-judgmental forum for individuals grieving the loss of a loved one to substance use.

### **David Kan, MD, DFASAM**

Dr. Kan is a past president of the California Society of Addiction Medicine (CSAM). CSAM is a physician organization dedicated to improving the treatment of substance use disorders. He is a practicing addiction psychiatrist and Chief Medical Officer for an addiction treatment program where 80% of the patients are Medi-Cal recipients. Dr. Kan has personally treated more than 1000 patients for opioid use disorder. Dr. Kan has authored chapters for the medical management of Opioid Use Disorder for the American Society of Addiction Medicine textbook. Dr. Kan chaired the CSAM Committee on Opioids from 2011-2021. Dr. Kan ran the San Francisco Veterans Administration Opioid Treatment Program from 2005 to 2015, where he had a front seat to the development of today's opioid epidemic.

Dr. Kan has testified numerous times before the California Assembly and Senate on addiction treatment. Dr. Kan has testified before Congress advocating for expanding access to addiction treatment.

### **Martha J. Wunsch, MD, FAAP, DFASAM**

Dr. Wunsch earned her medical degree at Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland, completed a Pediatric internship and residency at Children's Hospital Los Angeles and began her career as a commissioned officer in the US Public Health Service practicing Pediatrics in the Indian Health Service. After identifying Addiction Medicine as her next career focus, Dr. Wunsch completed the Hoff Fellowship in Addiction Medicine at Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University.

She currently serves on the Addiction Medicine Examination Committee for the American Board of Preventive Medicine, is a founding Co-Editor of the Journal of Addiction Medicine, Immediate Past President of the American College of

Addiction Medicine and was a founding Director of the American Board of Addiction Medicine and The Addiction Medicine Foundation.

Until August of 2021 Dr. Wunsch practiced addiction medicine with The Permanente Medical Group where she was Chief of the Addiction Medicine Consultation and Liaison Service at San Leandro Kaiser Hospital and the Program Director of Addiction Medicine Fellowship. She is currently an addictions medicine consultant to the Medication for Addiction Treatment Program at the Alameda County Santa Rita Jail, focusing upon the treatment of addiction among incarcerated patients.