Speaker Biographies

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Dr. Deckert has served Shasta County as a Public Health Officer for the past 22 years. Prior work included Health Officer for other California counties; family physician in county hospitals, emergency rooms, community and migrant health centers; and private family practice in a small rural northern California town.

He obtained his Bachelor's in Neurobiology and Psychology, a double major from UC Berkeley and a Master's of Public Health in International Health degree from

the University of Hawaii. He received his medical specialty board certification in Family Practice from a UC Davis affiliated residency, and his medical specialty board certification in Preventive Medicine and Public Health from a second residency with the California Department of Health Services.



Ivan Petrzelka, PharmD, JD, MBA is the Clinical Services Manager at Owens Healthcare, President of NoRxAbuse, and Principal Attorney/owner at Gemini Law Office in Red Bluff. He is a Pharmacist-Attorney with a passion for learning, mentoring and creative problem solving. Having practiced pharmacy for over 20 years in various clinical and administrative roles, he brings extensive experience in pharmacy practice and regulatory compliance in community pharmacy, compounding and long-term-care pharmacy.

Leonard Soloniuk, MD is a Pain Specialist in Redding. He has been practicing Pain Medicine in Redding, California, since 1993. He founded the Soloniuk Pain Center in 2001 to devote his medical practice to full-time Pain Medicine. He is Board Certified in Pain Medicine, Anesthesiology, and Internal Medicine.

He graduated from Medical School at Loma Linda University in 1981 and completed his Internal Medicine Internship and Residency at Loma Linda University. He completed his Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine Residency at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. He was awarded the Pennathur Sundaram Award for Excellence in Neuroanesthesiology from Massachusetts General Hospital. He was a Clinical Fellow at Harvard University, 1988-1990. He was also the President of the Medical Staff at Redding Medical Center and has performed well over 10,000 spinal injections in his medical career.



Andrea Rubenstein, MD is the Chief of Pain Management at Kaiser Permanente. She is an Anesthesiologist with a specialty in chronic pain. Before going to medical school she worked as a software engineer and has a special love for 'solving problems'. After several years in the high-tech world, she decided it would be more interesting to solve medical problems than computer problems and chose to pursue medicine. She attended Stanford University Medical School

and then went on to a residency in Anesthesiology at Duke University. While at Stanford she became fascinated with chronic pain and new and exciting ways to treat pain.

Dr. Rubenstein joined Kaiser Permanente in 2007, because of their longstanding commitment to treating patients with chronic pain using the absolute best methods and modalities available. She really loves what she does now and has a strong interest in clinical research to help both doctors and patients better understand chronic pain and find new ways to treat this condition.



Candy Stockton is a practicing Board-Certified Family Medicine Physician and the Medical Director of Shingletown Medical Center. She is responsible for overseeing PCMH transition and implementation of Meaningful Use Guidelines. She also provides preventative, primary care, and urgent care services for a diverse patient population—including pediatric, adult, geriatric and obstetrical patients.

Dr. Stockton graduated from Loma Linda University School of Medicine in 2000. Nine years ago, she stumbled into the world of Community Health Centers and promptly found her passion. She lives in Redding, California, with her husband and two children, where she is an active volunteer, teaching hands-on science to grades 3-8 at her local elementary school. She has also volunteered with Broken Chains for Humanity and ProsthetiKa, helping to provide short term medical care and long term facilities in Guatemala and Haiti.



Dr. Canton, Chief Medical Officer with Shasta Community Health Center, is a Board Certified DO with MPH and JD degrees. He is a Certified Physician Executive in Medical Management and a Certified Medical Review Officer. Dr. Canton has military training and background with over half of his military career in leadership positions. Dr. Canton relocated to Redding from Turlock, California. He brings over 25 years of experience to Shasta Community Health Center.