

Southern Illinois Meth and other Drugs Awareness Conference 2009

Speaker Bios

Keynote Speakers

Tom Siebel

Thomas M. Siebel is the founder and chairman of the Meth Project, a large-scale methamphetamine prevention campaign. He serves as the chairman of First Virtual Group, a diversified holding company with interests in commercial real estate, agribusiness, global investment management, and philanthropy. He is chairman of the Siebel Foundation, which supports education, health, drug prevention, wildlife habitat preservation, conservation, and assistance to the homeless.

Mr. Siebel was the founder, chairman, and chief executive officer of Siebel Systems, one of the world's leading software companies, which merged with Oracle Corporation in January 2006. Founded in 1993, Siebel Systems rapidly became a global leader in application software with more than 8,000 employees in 32 countries, over 4,500 corporate customers, and annual revenue in excess of \$2 billion.

Mr. Siebel is a graduate of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where he received a Bachelor of Arts in History, an M.B.A., and a Master of Science in Computer Science. Among many awards and honors, Mr. Siebel was named as one of the 50 most generous philanthropists in Business Week in 2007 and 2008. In recognition of his accomplishments in business and philanthropy, Mr. Siebel became a Laureate of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois in 2008, the highest honor for outstanding achievement the state can bestow to persons who were born or have lived in Illinois.

S. Alex Stalcup MD

S. Alex Stalcup, MD is a graduate of Whittier College and a graduate of the University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine. He is Board Certified in Pediatrics, certified in Addiction Medicine by the American Society of Addiction Medicine (A.S.A.M.) and certified as a Medical Review Officer by A.S.A.M. and the Medical Review Officers Certifying Council (M.R.O.C.C.),

In 1990, after three years at the Haight Ashbury Free Clinic in San Francisco, Dr. Stalcup opened a private practice in addiction medicine. Since 1996, he has served as the Medical Director of the New Leaf Treatment Center in Lafayette, California. Dr. Stalcup is an expert in the treatment of methamphetamine and prescription drug abuse. He also serves as a lecturer and consultant for drug treatment and chemical dependency issues to both public and private agencies in California and nationally.

Henry R. Cellini, Ph.D.

Dr. Cellini is a consultant with the Training and Research Institute, Inc. (Tricorp), in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Tricorp provides consultation and training to social service, mental health, and correctional agencies in the areas of organizational development, sexual offender program design and treatment, issues of forensic psychology, substance abuse program design and treatment and working with violent clinical populations. After completing his master's degree in 1974, he worked as a correctional counselor for the Illinois Department of Corrections Adult Division at Dwight Correctional Center for Women. In addition to maintaining a regular caseload, the consulting psychiatrist assigned Dr. Cellini to conduct two specific groups. The first group focused on women who had murdered their spouses or significant other, and a second group focused on women who sexually, physically abused or murdered their children. These groups helped to guide his treatment approaches and research in the years to come. From 1975 to 1977, he conducted groups for the Safer Foundation Probation, Rehabilitation, and Employment Program. In 1981, he also served the Safer Foundation Chicago office in the development and evaluation of a program for eighteen to twenty-eight year old violent offenders seeking job survival skills. After finishing his doctoral work, he started his career at the University of New Mexico as Coordinator of the American Indian Rehabilitation Counselor Training Program in 1982 and Assistant Professor

and Director of Rehabilitation Counseling in 1982 and 1983. He later served as the Chief Psychologist and Director of Mental Health Services at the New Mexico Department of Corrections from 1983 to 1987. In 1985 and 1986, while on intergovernmental load, Dr. Cellini designed and coordinated workshops and seminars for the U.S. Department of Justice, National Academy of Corrections on sex offender program design and treatment, mental health, managing consent degrees and other legal issues, training for trainers, training design and development, personnel management and human resource management. Specifically regarding sexual offender program design, this initiative represented the first major attempt within the Department of Justice to develop an integrated service model for institutional and community-based providers. The basic model, with minor modifications, is still being used by many agencies that treat juvenile and adult sexual offenders. Dr. Cellini has recently retired as an instructor and training and development specialist at the University of New Mexico's Community Behavioral Education Program in the Division of Continuing Education and Community Services. Over the past twenty-two years he taught courses on sexual abuse treatment and prevention, working with impulsive youth, mental health treatment for adjudicated adolescents, families in transition, trauma of divorce, community mobilization, action planning, program planning, drug recognition and identification, preventing gang violence, working with violent youth, and suicide warning signs and symptoms. Dr. Cellini received his BS, MS, and Ph.D. from Southern Illinois University, and conducted post-doctoral studies at the University of New Mexico. He is the author of numerous articles and chapters in a variety of professional books and journals. He was a co-editor of *The Practitioners Guide for Treating the Incarcerated Male Sexual Offender – Breaking the Cycle of Child Sexual Abuse*, published by the US Department of Justice. In addition, as President of Training and Research Institute, Dr. Cellini has produced a booklet entitled, *Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs*, along with a Drug Use Poster and Eye Exam Chart. His most recent posters are *The Neurobiology of Child Abuse*, *Marijuana: A Safe High and Rave About This* a poster on Ecstasy. Dr. Cellini's experience in the field of substance abuse is well known nationally. He has trained in this field for thirty years and is said to be very knowledgeable by his trainees. Dr. Cellini along with Dr. Barbara Schwartz edited the books, *The Sex Offender, Vols. I and II*. Dr. Cellini's chapter was on assessing juvenile sexual offenders. He has also published articles in the Offenders Program Report, most recently; *Vocational Enhancement Programming for Drug and Treatment Courts*, *Risk Assessment of Sexually Violent Behaviors Part I and II*, *The Importance of Cultural Awareness in Treatment Delivery*, *Child Abuse, Neglect and Delinquency: Fiscal Impacts and Addictive Drugs and The Brain*.

Breakout Session Presenters (in alphabetical order)

Sandra Nagel Beebe

Dr. Sandra Nagel Beebe is a Senior Lecturer at SIUC Dental Hygiene and Health Care Management Internship Coordinator. Her areas of interest include geriatrics, xylitol, special populations, medical emergencies, and all areas in the dental field. She has practiced in the dental field for 34+ years. Her career in dental hygiene practice began in Illinois, went to Massachusetts, New Mexico, and finally back to Illinois. While in New Mexico she was a volunteer fire fighter, CPR instructor, and EMT.

Sandra has been active in numerous organizations. Previously she was a planning co-chair and chair for American Public Health Association- Oral Health, member of Illinois Rural Health Association planning committee, president, vice-president, delegate for Southern Illinois Dental Hygienist Society, SIUC dental hygiene planning committee for continuing ed, and currently the Illinois Smoking Cessation Liaison for ADHA (2003-current). Within this past year, Sandra was voted onto Section Council for Oral Health APHA and became Membership Chair. Dr. Beebe has been presenting at International, National, State, and local conferences for the past 10 years. In her spare time, she has a number of publications in various journals (national and international), on-line journals, and a reviewer for conferences, books, and journals.

Joe Beliveau

Sgt. Joe Beliveau is with the Illinois State Police and currently serves as the Director of the Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois. He has 20 years of law enforcement experience, most of which has been involved with investigation of narcotics and other drug crimes. Sgt. Beliveau also served as the Methamphetamine Response Team Supervisor during the peak of the methamphetamine epidemic in rural southern Illinois.

Theresa Bergen

Theresa is currently the Clinical Manager at The H Group (formerly Franklin Williamson Human Services). She received her Master's of Science in Rehabilitation counseling from Southern Illinois University – Carbondale. She is a Certified Rehabilitation Counselor and is a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor. She has been employed by The H Group for over 6 years working mainly with substance abusing adolescents and young adults. She currently supervises staff in the new SAMHSA funded Matrix of Hope program. She monitors the implementation of the Matrix Model of substance abuse treatment for Methamphetamine use.

Bradley Bullock

Bradley Bullock, M.F.A., C.A.R.S., is a Post Release Clinical Case Manager in the TASC Corrections Transition Program. Bradley has worked primarily with recovering methamphetamine users from Southwestern Illinois Correctional Center on Parole throughout Southern Illinois.

Paul Carlson

Paul Carlson is the District 5 Parole Supervisor for the Illinois Department of Corrections. District 5 encompasses the bottom 24 Counties of Illinois. Paul's career in law enforcement began with the Chicago Police Department in 1970. He moved to Southern Illinois where he joined a local Police department and was appointed Chief of Police in 1983. Chief Carlson retired in 2003 and began working for the Department of Corrections as Parole Office Supervisor. During the course of Paul's career he received the Governor's Award for Achievements Crime Prevention; in 1997 he was named Law Enforcements Child Advocate of the Year; in 1998 his Department was selected as one of the top 25 in a National Competition; he has worked closely with both State and Federal Task Forces in the fight against drugs and methamphetamine in the area. Chief Carlson's department made countless arrests that have made a long lasting impression on the whole area. In his job as Parole Office Supervisor he began working with a group of community providers that is now known as "SIRG" – the Southern Illinois Re-entry Group. This group has come together to assist offenders with their re-entry back into our communities. Working with SIRG Paul helped develop a program called "The Passport to Success", which provides offenders with information, support and direction that includes a check and balance system to monitor their success while on parole. This program reduced the recidivism rate to 9.7% in the first year in his area. Paul is the Chairman of the committee which developed a program for the Department of Corrections called "Parole School" which took the Passport program statewide. Paul works with employers and educators to develop good job opportunities for the offenders. He travels across the state speaking to inmates at IDOC facilities about the pitfalls of parole, offering words of encouragement, hope and change. Paul is an alumnus of the Northwestern Traffic Institute, serves on the Board of Directors for the Child Advocacy Center; he is the chairman of a group working on the development of software programming for the Parole Division's computer system.

Ira Chasnoff

Dr. Ira Chasnoff serves as the president of the Children's Research Triangle and a Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Chicago. He is one of the nation's leading researchers in the field of maternal drug use during pregnancy and the effects on the newborn infant and child. His research projects include a study of the long-term cognitive, behavioral and educational developmental effects of prenatal exposure to alcohol, cocaine, and other drugs; the effects on birth outcome of prenatal treatment and counseling for pregnant drug abusers; and the effectiveness of both outpatient and residential treatment programs for pregnant drug abusers. Dr. Chasnoff and the team at CRT opened and operated a laboratory preschool classroom to develop specific interventions for children prenatally exposed to alcohol and other drugs and developed a model Head Start Family Service Center for children and their families at risk from drugs and the drug seeking environment. Dr. Chasnoff helped to lead the development and implementation of the National Women's Resource Center, the focus of the Federal government's national effort to address issues related to women's health, mental health, and substance abuse prevention and treatment. Dr. Chasnoff and the CRT research team were one of five national sites conducting research into the integration of behavioral health interventions into primary health care services for high risk children, and through this project they are evaluating the impact of concurrent planning on permanency placement of children in the foster care system. Dr. Chasnoff received his medical degree from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio and served a pediatric residency at Children's Memorial Hospital, Chicago. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and a member of the Society for Pediatric Research and the Society for Research in Child Development. He is the author of four books and numerous articles on the effects of drug use on pregnancy and on the long-term cognitive, behavioral, and learning outcomes of prenatally exposed children. Dr. Chasnoff's first book, *Drug Use in Pregnancy: Mother and Child*, was published in 1986 by MTP Press. His second book, *Drugs, Alcohol, Pregnancy, and Parenting* received the Book of the Year Award from the American Journal of Nursing. His most recent book, *Understanding the Drug-Exposed Child: Approaches to Behavior and Learning*, has been cited as an important addition to the literature on helping children at risk of educational failure. The recipient of several awards for his work with high risk women, children, and families, Dr. Chasnoff for the past four years has been selected by a poll of physicians across the nation for listing in America's Best Doctors, cited for his ability to translate complex medical and psychosocial issues into relevant policy that guides the delivery of quality services. Dr. Chasnoff has been active in establishing comprehensive family intervention programs for pregnant women and their children in Australia, Denmark, Portugal, and the former Soviet Union and across the United States and has lectured on this topic around the world.

James W. Coleman

Rev. Coleman, a duly Ordained Minister and Pastor and the Founder / President of New Way of Life Ministries joined TASC, Inc. in 2007 in the capacity of Illinois Statewide Coordinator of the Community Support Advisory Council (CSAC). Rev. Coleman began his community capacity building work in 2004 while employed at Westside Health Authority as an Outreach Worker. He later was promoted to Director of Prisoner Re-Entry Services there. Rev. Coleman was instrumental in developing the Community Support Advisory Council re-entry model that is being implemented by the Department of Corrections across the State of Illinois. During this time, Rev. Coleman was also actively involved in the Governor's Statewide Community Safety and Reentry Commission, making recommendations on policy and aiding in long-term planning for these issues. The focus of his work has been and continues to be easing the transitions of formerly incarcerated individuals back into society. Through this work, he has helped many to change their lives and to become productive citizens, thus promoting community safety. Rev. Coleman serves on the Institutional Review Board for Loyola University and works with various faith and community organizations to develop and expand re-entry programs. In his current capacity, Rev. Coleman is responsible for overseeing, training and coordinating all of the CSAC programs in the State.

Jack Davis

Jack Davis has worked in the Criminal Justice Field most of his entire adult life. He was employed by the Federal Bureau of Prisons for over 26 years working in numerous areas of supervision to include being the Chief Correctional Supervisor or security specialist for the Bureau of Prisons and Associate Warden at the United States Penitentiary, Florence, Colorado. Upon retiring from the Bureau of Prisons Mr. Davis began his employment as Drug Coordinator for the 11th Judicial District Court located in Canon City, Colorado. Mr. Davis' has a unique background serving first as a grant funded position and one of the first Drug Coordinators for the State of Colorado. The program which Mr. Davis now supervises has been a success and has recently been adopted by the entire state and is now a state and county funded program.

Randy Davis

Randy Davis received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Administration of Justice and Management from SIU. He worked in the field of Criminal Justice for over 30 years as a Probation Officer and in the Federal Bureau of Prisons retiring in 2005 from the position of Warden at the Marion Penitentiary formerly known as the nation's highest security correctional facility. While working in the prison system he supervised institutions with large drug treatment programs. Since Mr. Davis' retirement he has worked as a private contractor and consultant, until last year when he began his employment at John A. Logan College, Center for Business and Industry as the Community Information Coordinator. In his current position he serves as an instructor and coordinator for Homeland Security training and works on various issues related to a current Southern Illinois METH Initiative grant. Mr. Davis is also a member of the Williamson County Coalition Against Meth Abuse.

Sharon Davis

Sharon Davis, Ph.D., CRC, LCPC- Dr. Davis is a post-doctoral fellow at the Rehabilitation Institute at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. Her current research interests include: Matrix Model treatment outcomes, Co-occurring HIV and substance use disorders, suicide prevention, and attitudes toward alcohol and drug use. Her professional background includes work as a substance abuse counselor for adults and adolescents in both outpatient and intensive outpatient therapy, several years of experience in crisis counseling for consumers with substance abuse and/or mental health emergencies, and assessments and referral for consumers with substance abuse or mental health disorders. Dr. Davis earned her Ph.D. in Rehabilitation from the Rehabilitation Institute where she was the 2005 recipient of the Guy A. Renzaglia Award. She is a licensed clinical professional counselor in the state of Illinois and a certified rehabilitation counselor. In 2005, she served as the award's chair for the Southern Illinois Rehabilitation Association. She currently serves on the Substance Abuse Resource Network in southern Illinois.

Marie Goff

D. Marie Goff has an extensive corporate business background, plus 12 years as executive director of a rural Illinois nonprofit organization (Cra-Wa-La Volunteers in Probation, Inc.) in its fourth decade of providing services to kids, courts, and communities. She is an experienced community organizer and a national restorative justice trainer and practitioner in multiple restorative justice practices, in multiple settings: corrections, schools, courts, families, and communities. She currently serves on the board of directors for the Illinois Balanced and Restorative Justice Project (a statewide initiative for fostering BARJ practices throughout Illinois), and the Second Judicial Circuit Juvenile Justice Council.

Andy Greer

Andy Greer is the Community Outreach Coordinator with the Gateway Foundation in Carbondale, Illinois. The Gateway Foundation is a Chicago-based not-for-profit organization committed to the fight against alcohol and other drug abuse addiction. Gateway has been in business since 1968 and has been an industry leader in providing community based Outpatient and Residential substance abuse treatment that is innovative, effective and cost-efficient. They have several facilities throughout the State of Illinois. Andy began his career as an intern at the Illinois Youth Center in Harrisburg. He has been with the Gateway Foundation for twelve years, and has been the Community Outreach Coordinator for the past nine. His position requires him to travel to thirty-six counties in southern Illinois screening both juveniles and adults for substance abuse treatment. He is the father of four, and is the current pastor at the Mt. Pleasant-Jerusalem Christian Church in Pomona, Illinois.

Sandy Kiehna

Sandy Kiehna, MS, CSADC, MISA II, received a Masters in Educational Psychology from SIU. She has worked in the field of Substance Abuse since 1988, with 15 years of experience working with the Department of Corrections population. Sandy is an Administrator for TASC, supervising both Pre and Post Release Case Management for the southern 46 counties in Illinois.

Shane Koch

Dr. Koch is a faculty member in the Rehabilitation Counselor Training Program at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Currently, he serves as the Editor of the Journal of Teaching in the Addictions, Co-editor of the Rehabilitation Counselors' and Educators' Journal and as a member of the board of directors for the International Coalition of Addiction Science Educators. He is a past vice president and board member of the National Association on Alcohol, Drugs, and Disability (NAADD) and is a past board member on the Texas Certification Board of Addictions Professionals. In 2004, the International Association of Addiction and Offender Counselors selected Dr. Koch as the Counselor Educator of the Year.

Tom McNamara

Tom McNamara was presented the Governor's Award of Excellence for Individual achievement for his major contributions to the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Drug Interdiction Committee. McNamara, retired from the Illinois State Police, is the Special Projects Coordinator for the Southern Illinois Enforcement Group and is recognized nationally for his work in narcotic enforcement. Tom McNamara's reputation precedes him throughout Illinois and even parts of the United States. He has received numerous awards during his career including commendations from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of the U.S. Attorney General; the U.S. Senate; the U.S. Grand Jury of the Southern District of Illinois; the Illinois State Police Director's Award; the Illinois Senate; National Press Photographers Association; the Midwest Regional Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force Association; and the Illinois Drug Enforcement Officers Association.

David Moore

David Moore has worked in the behavioral health field for over 15 years and currently serves Fayette Companies as the Vice President of Quality Improvement. He is responsible to implement quality improvements to utilize evidence based practices and assists in measuring and monitoring fidelity to these practices for both mental health and substance abuse programs. He is a Change Leader for process improvement teams utilizing principles from the Network for the Improvement of Addiction Treatment (NIATx) and serves as a peer mentor and coach for other change leaders. David earned an undergraduate degree from Bradley University and a Master's in Public Administration degree from the University of Illinois.

Lori D. Moore

Lori D. Moore, BSW, CADC Community Education Centers/CiviGenics Interim Director. Mrs. Moore is responsible for providing clinical oversight and administrative support for two Therapeutic Community programs at Southwestern Illinois Correctional Center in East St. Louis, Illinois, inclusive of a Methamphetamine specific Substance Abuse Program. She has also conducted an array of trainings geared toward employee development and IDOC Cross Training. She has over 9 years of experience providing substance abuse treatment for incarcerated persons within the Illinois Department of Corrections. Mrs. Moore entered the Human Services Field in 1999 as a Substance Abuse Counselor at Illinois Youth Center (Boot camp) in Murphysboro, Illinois a fully dedicated Juvenile Criminal Justice Addictions Program. She was later promoted to Lead Counselor, where she became responsible for management of the juvenile program. Mrs. Moore received a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. Additionally, she is recognized as a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor through the Illinois Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professional Certification Association. Mrs. Moore is highly recognized for her contributions as an advocate in the Addictions and Criminal Justice field. Since 2003, she has actively participated in the causes of the National Community Behavioral Healthcare Association and the Illinois Alcohol and Drug Dependence Association.

Marilyn Neislein

Marilyn Neislein, BS, CADC, received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Administration from SIU. She has worked in the field of Substance Abuse since 1984 with 3 years experience working with the Department of Corrections population. Marilyn is a supervisor with the TASC Corrections & ReEntry Services. She supervises parole district 5 TASC Post Release Case Managers and the Reception and Classification at Menard Correctional Facility.

Julie O'Connor

Julie O'Connor, MS, QMHP, has worked with youth for 20 years has been with The H Group (formerly Franklin Williamson Human Services for 12 of those years. Ms. O'Connor's focus of work has been with youth that are Mentally Ill Juvenile Delinquents or just Juvenile Delinquents. Her title at The H Group is Juvenile Justices Services Coordinator. Ms. O'Connor has a Master's Degree in Rehab Counseling.

Cristi M. Payne

Mrs. Payne joined CEC in August 2008 as Corporate Director of the Program Accountability and Support Division. Mrs. Payne has worked within the Criminal Justice Industry for more than 13 years, entering the field as a Substance Abuse Counselor at Illinois Youth Center in Murphysboro, Illinois, where she was responsible for the administration of the fully dedicated Juvenile Criminal Justice Addictions Program. Mrs. Payne has lectured nationally, with most of her efforts dedicated in Illinois at conferences hosted by the Illinois Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professional Association, the Illinois Correctional Association and numerous Illinois Department of Corrections Facilities, as well as within communities throughout the United States. Mrs. Payne earned her Bachelors of Science Degree in Social Work with special emphasis in Psychology from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. She is recognized as a Certified Alcohol and Other Drug Counselor, a Mental Health Substance Abuse Professional and a Criminal Justice Addictions Professional through the Illinois Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Professional Certification Association. Additionally, Mrs. Payne was awarded state recognition as an Illinois Department of Corrections Criminal Addictions Trainer of Trainers and national recognition as a Serious and Violent Offender Reentry Initiative Trainer of Trainers. Mrs. Payne is highly recognized for her contributions as an advocate in the Addictions and Criminal Justice field. She is an active member of the National Community Behavioral Healthcare Association, the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs National Committee, the Midwest Council of State Government, the American Correctional Association and the Illinois Alcohol and Drug Dependence Association. She currently serves as the Regional Vice President of Region 6 as well as the Membership Committee Chair for the International Community Corrections Association (ICCA).

Barbara Schwartz

Ms. Schwartz has coordinated the statewide Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program for the Illinois Department on Aging since 1998. Through this program, the Department provides funding for support groups, assists relatives with emergency needs and advocates on their behalf. The Department also provides training and resources for professionals working with kinship families. She also coordinates the Caregiver Program for the Department and oversees intergenerational initiatives including Retired Senior Volunteer and Foster Grandparents programs. She serves as a liaison to the Brookdale Foundation for the state Relatives as Parents Program (RAPP); is a member of the Illinois Task Force on Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, Generations United Grandparent Advisory Group/Expert Trainers, National Council on the Aging, American Society on Aging and the AARP Grandparent Information Center Advisory Council. In September Ms. Schwartz was named the 2005 National Association of Social Workers (NASW) Illinois Chapter Public Citizen of the Year for her work on behalf of relative caregivers. She holds a B.A. degree in Children, Family and Community Services from the University of Illinois – Springfield.

John Shadowens

John Shadowens is the manager of a comprehensive array of prevention and early intervention services to adolescents. He has spent twenty-two years in youth services in direct services to youth and their families and in community development to expand prevention work throughout the Southern Illinois region. He holds a Bachelor's in Psychology from Southeast Missouri State and a Master's of Public Administration from Southern Illinois University. John is an approved trainer for the Search Institute's 40 Developmental Assets. He is co-author of the ALPHA Peer Leadership curriculum and considered an expert in the fields of youth mentoring and positive youth development. John has presented to thousands over the course of his career on multiple youth services and prevention topics.

Marc D. Smith

Mr. Smith is the Program Administrator for the TASC Inc. Recovery Coach Program and the TASC Inc. SBIRT (Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral and Treatment) program in Chicago Illinois. TASC Inc. provides support and engagement services to clients with substance abuse and dependency diagnosis. As program Administrator for these two programs, he has developed and implemented many projects, which have aided in the growth and success of service delivery to clients in need of sobriety support, as well as participating in the development of programs that provide treatment access to clients from both the Child Welfare Community and the Medical Community. Mr. Smith received his Bachelor of Science degree from Illinois State University in Normal IL in Criminal Justice. He then worked in the field of Child Welfare as a Child Welfare Specialist, Child Protection Investigator and Clinical Supervisor. While working in the field Mr. Smith completed his Master of Social Work Degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago and later achieved his Clinical Social Work license (LCSW).

Jeff Watkins

Jeff Watkins has been a probation officer for the First Judicial Circuit of Illinois for twenty years. He is the Director of the Probation Departments for Pope, Massac, Saline and Williamson Counties. He has two children and is also the current president of the Alliance Against Meth Abuse and Other Drugs, Inc. AAMA-ODI is an anti-drug coalition based out of Saline County.

J. Randall Webber

J. Randall Webber, M.P.H., is a behavioral health consultant in private practice who has worked in the field of addictions for more than 35 years. From 2006 to 2009, he was Director of External Training and the GLATTC Center on Criminal Justice at TASC, Inc. Previously, he served as the Director of Training and Publications for Lighthouse Institute at Chestnut Health Systems in Bloomington, IL. He is also a recovering amphetamine addict with 38 years of abstinence. During his career in the substance abuse field, Randy has served as a prevention specialist, counselor, program director and trainer. He has also held teaching positions at several colleges and universities, most recently in the Department of Psychology at Loyola University of Chicago.

Ronald A. Vitale

Ron Vitale is the Assistant Warden of Programs for Southwestern Illinois Correctional Center (SWICC). In this position, he manages all program services to include education, medical, clinical, substance abuse, leisure time, chaplaincy, record office, and all vendors providing treatment to offenders at SWICC. Mr. Vitale has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Northeastern Illinois University. He has dedicated 30 years of his professional career to bringing quality substance abuse services to individuals suffering from chemical dependencies. He is certified by IAODAPCA as a CRADC since 1982.