

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Kim Thiboldeaux

CEO

Cancer Support Community

Kim Thiboldeaux Chief Executive Officer, Cancer Support Community Kim Thiboldeaux joined The Wellness Community in 2000 as President and CEO. In 2009, the headquarters offices of The Wellness Community and Gilda’s Club joined forces to become the Cancer Support Community, one of the largest providers of social and emotional support worldwide, where Kim has maintained her role as CEO. The combined organization is the largest nonprofit employer of psychosocial oncology mental health professionals in North America, advancing the idea that psychosocial care is as important as medical care in the face of a cancer diagnosis. The Cancer Support Community provides social and emotional support through a network of more than 50 local affiliates, more than 100 satellite locations and online at www.cancersupportcommunity.org. The organization also maintains a Research & Training Institute in Philadelphia and a Cancer Policy Institute in Washington, D.C. Formerly the Director of Patient Relations for Oncology & Transplant at Hoffmann-LaRoche, Inc., Kim brings to this position a wealth of experience in health care, patient education and national patient advocacy. Kim serves in numerous leadership roles in the cancer and health care communities including: member of the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer, Co-Chair of the Alliance for Quality Psychosocial Care, and Cancer Today magazine National Advisory Board Member. Prior to joining Roche, she served as the Director of Corporate Relations at Whitman-Walker Clinic, a Washington, D.C.-based health clinic that provides comprehensive services to people with HIV and AIDS. Kim is the co-author of *Reclaiming Your Life After Diagnosis* (2012), and *The Total Cancer Wellness Guide* (2007), both full length books published by BenBella Books. She is the host of *Frankly Speaking About Cancer* with the Cancer Support Community, an award-winning Internet talk radio show that airs weekly on VoiceAmerica.com and is aimed at informing and inspiring listeners to live well with cancer. Kim is also a regular contributor to *The Huffington Post*, and gave a TEDx Talk in 2015 with UC Davis entitled “Patients, Raise Your Voices.”



Randy Wykoff, MD, MPH, TM

Dean

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Randy Wykoff, MD, MPH & TM is the founding Dean, College of Public Health at East Tennessee State University. The first school of public health located in central Appalachia. A physician certified in pediatrics and preventive medicine, he lectures extensively on the social determinants of health, social justice, and the health status of Appalachia. Prior to his current position, he served as Senior Vice President for International Operations at Project HOPE, overseeing all health promotion and humanitarian assistance program in over 30 countries. Prior to that, he was the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health (Disease Prevention and Health Promotion) in the US Department of Health and Human Services, including a year as the interim Director of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sport. While at HHS, his office coordinated the development and release of Healthy People 2010 and the first Surgeon General's report on overweight and obesity. He spent eleven years at the Food and Drug Administration, first as the Associate Commissioner for AIDS and Special Health Issues and later as the Associate Commissioner for Operations. During this time, he also completed a six month detail with Senator Edward Kennedy. He led the science team for FDA's tobacco working group and also served as the Executive Director of the National Task Force for AIDS Drug Development. He began his career as a District Medical Director, overseeing all public health activities in a rural six county Health District in South Carolina. He lives in Johnson City, Tennessee with his wife and several of their five children.