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Welcome

The Boston Center for Independent Living welcomes you to our 20th annual BCIL Marie Feltin Award Ceremony. This event celebrates Marie’s life by honoring people and organizations whose work exemplifies the spirit, commitment, and innovation that she brought to her work and the communities that she served.

This year’s awardees are terrific. Kate Nordahl is a leader for innovative Medicaid policy and programs. Neil Cronin is an activist and strategist for disability, HIV, and poverty issues. Peggy Johnson and Lauren Easton are champions and designers of community-based mental health services.

A highlight of tonight’s ceremony is a brief film that speaks to Marie Feltin’s noteworthy life. It links Marie’s legacy to the disability rights work in which BCIL is involved today. We also will have an original song from Remon Jourdan and Allison St. George.

The evening would not be possible without the commitment of Dr. Robert Master, who gives so much to this event and has given so much to disability rights and innovative health care. We also want to thank Dr. Lisa Iezzoni for being our Master of Ceremonies. And we offer a tip of the hat to BCIL chairperson Sergio Goncalves, who conceived of this ceremony in order to keep Marie Feltin’s memory alive, commemorate her work and accomplishments, and honor those who make a difference for people with disabilities.
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Our gratitude to our own Kate Nordahl. 
And congratulations to the other awardees: 
Neil Cronin, Lauren Easton, and Peggy Johnson.
Dr. Marie Feltin found her way to Boston via Montreal and McGill University after being born in Nazi-occupied France and christened under an assumed name to avoid the terrors of the Holocaust because she was Jewish. She was a product of the ’60s and the idealism and flamboyance of that era, having a universal love of dance, the flute, piano and conga drums. Marie’s life was never compartmentalized; work, pleasure, family and friends were interwoven in seamless fashion. What she left behind is a direct result of who she was and where she came from in life.

Marie saw in people with disabilities the strong desire and ability to live independently and she viewed “empowerment” as not just an abstract ideological goal but as a practical strategy to promote health and function. Marie and her staff returned to home visiting to provide medical care, recognizing how difficult it was for many of her patients to make the trek to the doctor’s office or to the clinic, and she also felt that home care broke down the barriers that existed between clinicians and the lives of their patients. Marie, according to Dr. Susan Bennett, had a “willingness to take care of people who are sick and poor and old, but she did not do that with any sense of it elevating herself. She did it with complete humility.”

Marie was always available for her patients. Her beeper would go off constantly and she would always respond quickly but calmly. Jean Masland, director of the long-term care services at East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, sums up the feelings of those who knew Marie as a physician: “She really touched patients a lot—I mean physically and emotionally. Her patients always wanted to hug her. She liked that.” In her personal life and in her work, she was very humble and very spiritual.
There are many memorials left behind by Marie that withstand the test of time and continue her legacy in both the medical field and in life in general. Founder of the East Boston Health Center’s Home Care Program, Boston’s Community Medical Group, and the Urban Medical Group, she was a modern day pioneer in providing medical care to society’s most neglected and vulnerable populations. She broke down barriers that often existed between patient and physician and medical care staff such as nurses and nurse practitioners. She saw her job with other medical personnel as a task of total devotion with no separation because of job title or function.

Supported in these endeavors by her husband, Dr. Robert Master, and their children, Daniel, Johanne, Steven, Jonas and Sarina, Marie overcame many obstacles to attain her goals, though she was unable to overcome the illness that took her from us in 1994. The Boston Center for Independent Living is proud to be the sponsor of this twentieth annual award ceremony in memory of Dr. Marie C. Feltin. The ceremony is held to carry on the work started by Marie to empower individuals with disabilities to take control of their lives and live independently.
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BCIL Marie Feltin Award Ceremony
honors individuals and institutions embodying the pioneering spirit of the late Dr. Marie Feltin, who died in 1994 at the height of her powers as a doctor and advocate for disabled and chronically ill patients. A founder of the Boston Community Medical Group, the Urban Medical Group, and the East Boston Health Center Homecare Program, Marie focused on serving neglected and vulnerable populations. Her hands-on care and the medical institutions she created empowered patients to become actively involved in their care as a critical means to bettering their health.

Criteria
To those persons and organizations who best exemplify the commitment to empower individuals with disabilities to live independently either through their work, professional affiliations, advocacy in the community or volunteer involvement.

Or
To those persons and organizations who through their work have demystified medical care and enhanced personalized medical services to individuals with disabilities.

Recipients

Kate Nordahl
Spirited Leader for Innovative Medicaid Policy and Programs in Massachusetts

Neil Cronin
Tenacious Activist and Strategist for Disability, HIV, and Poverty Issues for Three Decades

Peggy Johnson and Laura Easton
Inspired Champions and Designers of Community-Based Mental Health Services at CCA
Program

6:00–6:45 pm  Cocktails and Hors D’Oeuvres
6:45 pm  Dinner
7:45 pm  Welcome from BCIL
          Sergio Goncalves, Chairperson
          Bill Henning, Director

Dr. Lisa Iezzoni
Master of Ceremonies

Introduction to the Marie Feltin Film
Dr. Robert Master

Marie Feltin Film

Conferring of Awards

Peggy Johnson and Laura Easton
Introduced by Mary Glover

Neil Cronin
Introduced by Vicki Pulos

Song – Fly
Performed by Remon Jourdan and Allison St. George

Kate Nordahl
Introduced by Nancy Turnbull

8:45 pm  Concluding remarks
Bill Henning

We are pleased to have Lisa Iezzoni, MD, MSc as emcee for this evening’s program.
Lisa, a member of the BCIL board and a health services researcher, is a Professor of Medicine with
the Harvard Medical School and is the Director of the Mongan Institute for Health Policy
at Massachusetts General Hospital. She received the Marie Feltin Award in 2007.
Musical Guests:
Remon Jourdan and Allison St. George

Remon Jourdan is currently an Outreach Advocate for the Multi-Cultural Independent Living Center of Boston, helping people with disabilities become more independent. Born in Cambridge, Remon grew up with a love for the arts, excelling in music and poetry until a car accident resulting in a spinal cord injury threatened to change all that. In an effort to return to his love of music and performing, he began taking music therapy sessions at Commonwealth Community Care with Allison St. George. Hailing from Ohio, Allison came to Massachusetts to pursue a Master’s degree in Music Therapy at Lesley University. She has always had a passion for music and its ability to unlock so many aspects within an individual. Together they created a song to symbolize that the challenges you face in life shouldn’t ever limit your potential or your desire to dream big.

FLY
Written and performed by Remon Jourdan and Allison St. George

VERSE 1
I had a dream last night that I left footprints in the sand
I had a dream last night that I could feel the ground again
I had a dream last night that I was walking around this place
But when I woke up I realized
CHORUS
...that I'd rather Fly...Flyyyyy..., ohh fly
I'd rather fly..flyyyyy...oh fly
Cause in my mind I am soaring
Flying so high I can spread my wings
Cause I keep on moving even when I sit still

VERSE 2
I had a dream last night that I was sailing along the shore
I had a dream last night that I didn’t need anything more
I had a dream last night that I was floating around this place
But when I woke up I realized
CHORUS
...HOOK
Sometimes I’m ready to face the pain
Listen to my dreams and try again
So when it feels like nothing’s going my way
All I do is just remember the day.....
I decided to Fly....
CHORUS
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Kate Willrich Nordahl has been working on Medicaid and health coverage policy issues for more than 20 years. Kate’s career has been mission driven and focused on expanding access to health care for low-income and vulnerable populations. She has helped to inform Medicaid policy development directly in state government, and broadly by producing high-quality analysis and by convening educational sessions around key Medicaid and other health policy issue areas.

Kate has spent much of her career in the public sector working directly for the Massachusetts Medicaid program (also known as MassHealth). There she was involved with the development of the Senior Care Options program. SCO has served as a national model for integrating payment and care delivery for seniors on Medicaid and Medicare. While at MassHealth she was also in charge of the state’s Medicaid managed care contracts, which served about a third of the under-65 Medicaid population.

For the last five years, she has served as senior director of the Massachusetts Medicaid Policy Institute (MMPI), a program of the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Foundation (the Foundation). MMPI is an independent and nonpartisan source of information and analysis about the Massachusetts Medicaid program. MMPI’s mission is to promote the development of effective Medicaid policy solutions through research, policy analysis and educational forums.

When the state’s health reform law, Chapter 58, was first enacted, Kate was the director of policy and research at the Foundation. There she was involved with the creation of
the Massachusetts Health Reform Survey (MHRS). Since 2006, the MHRS has served to highlight the success of Massachusetts’ reform as well as to identify areas that still need policy reform to achieve the goal of full access and affordability of care for persons with low-incomes and those with chronic health needs.

Prior to joining MMPI, Kate served as assistant commissioner for the Massachusetts Division of Health Care Finance and Policy where she led the agency’s work to monitor the impact of the state’s health reform law and create the first set of reports to comprehensively analyze health care cost trends in the Commonwealth.

Kate holds a master’s degree in health policy and management from the Harvard School of Public Health and a bachelor’s degree in history from Brown University.

She lives in Westwood with her husband, Erik, and twin eight-year old boys, Tommy and Emery.
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Neil Cronin began his advocacy career in 1974 as a public benefits paralegal with Western Massachusetts Legal Services. In addition to handling a large caseload of AFDC, General Relief, Food Stamp, unemployment compensation and disability cases for SSI recipients, Neil served as a key organizer of the Coalition to Fight the Cutbacks, which took on the all-out assault on poor people’s programs in 1975-76. Neil was later active in the campaign to establish community access to nursing homes for patient advocacy, culminating in his arrest with four seniors from Cape United for the Elderly on trespassing charges at a nursing home on Cape Cod. The resulting trial and conviction were instrumental in prompting the attorney general to draft new consumer protection regulations guaranteeing the right of patient advocates and ombudspeople direct access to nursing home patients without interference from nursing home operators. Neil left Western Massachusetts in 1989 to come to Massachusetts Law Reform Institute, where he now focuses on health benefits programs for the poor.

Among his many accomplishments at MLRI, Neil looks with special pride at his work with various coalitions to preserve and strengthen public benefit programs for the poor in need of health care services. In the early 1990s, Neil’s leadership of the Medicaid Defense Group linked him with various activists groups organized around health care access, including the Boston Center for Independent Living, ACT UP, the Coalition for Basic Human Needs, and the Massachusetts Senior Action Council. Many spirited dem-
onstrations at the State House served to bind together a coalition which later, under the leadership of Health Care For All, built a consumer driven coalition to win passage of Chapter 203 of the Acts of 1996. One of the many victories to come out of the post-Chapter 203 negotiations was the establishment of the one-time deductible for CommonHealth eligibility for disabled people with incomes in excess of 133% of poverty. This change in policy had the effect of greatly expanding the number of adults who now qualify for CommonHealth. Neil is proud to have played a key role in its adoption. Neil was also heavily involved with children’s access to health care, which was also greatly broadened under the cigarette tax which funded Chapter 203. The state plan served as a blueprint for Ted Kennedy’s successful championing of the national CHIP program in 1997.

Neil is currently an active member of the Affordable Care Today (ACT!!) Coalition, which served as the consumer voice in the passage of Chapter 58 of the Acts of 2006, the state’s landmark health care reform law, a model for Obama Care. The ACT!! Coalition continues to this day in fighting for policies which enhance people access rights to publically subsidized health care. Now with a new round of MassHealth and Health Safety Net cuts looming, Neil joins the other committed health care advocates and activists of the ACT!! Coalition in the fight to preserve health care access in the face of a looming health care budget crisis.

Neil is also active in Disability Advocates Advancing our Healthcare Rights, which fights for the rights of the disabled community as it addresses changes in the health-delivery system for Medicaid recipients with shifts to Accountable Care Organizations, OneCare, and other managed care initiatives. Living as an out HIV-positive person, Neil feels right at home with fellow activists for people with disabilities engaged in the struggle for a person-centered health care system focused on the poor and most vulnerable.
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Dr. Peggy Johnson is the Chief of Psychiatry for Commonwealth Care Alliance (CCA), a position she views as the “opportunity of a lifetime” and the culmination of her 25 years of commitment to public sector psychiatry.

Peggy is passionate about the need to respond to patients with significant psychiatric and medical comorbidities that are complicated by psychosocial determinants of health. She believes in being maximally flexible in treatment approaches with a particular focus on maintaining community tenure. To that end, she has worked with her co-honoree, Lauren Easton, to develop CCA’s two crisis stabilization units. These facilities are designed to meet the clinical needs of CCA members in a community setting. Peggy looks forward to other opportunities to develop additional community-based services.

Originally from rural Texas, Peggy was influenced by a conservative upbringing in which mental health struggles were tantamount to a moral failure, and psychiatry was not viewed as a desired area of medicine. However, after witnessing the devastation brought to her oldest brother during the time in which he suffered and observing the impact that emotional distress in general has on one’s sense of self, she decided on a career in psychiatry. For Peggy, her work as a psychiatrist is a coalescence of her commitment to medicine, to her faith, and to her politics.

After finishing medical school, Peggy trained in general adult psychiatry at Harvard Medical School’s Cambridge Hospital Psychiatry Residency Program. There, she was introduced to public sector, community-based psychiatry. At that time, she worked largely with individuals with chronic and persistent mental illness particularly when they were in crisis. As a resident, she was honored as the chief resident of psychiatric emergency services and saw individuals and their families in their most significant distress. It was then that she became fully aware of the gaps in community-based services and the potential opportunities that existed to fill this gap.
Throughout her professional life, Peggy has worked primarily as a public sector psychiatrist with a particular focus on those with chronic and persistent mental illness and whose psychosocial determinants of health are significant. This focus has included serving as Vice Chair of Clinical Psychiatric Services at Boston Medical Center and as Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Boston University School of Medicine. At Boston Medical Center, she focused on the development of community-based services that were responsive to the people served. To that end, she was the clinical lead for developing a high acuity crisis stabilization unit with the Boston Emergency Service Team. She also worked to create a same-day system of care that attempted to reduce the typical three-to-four month waiting period that individuals with behavioral health needs often face. Peggy views her work with consumers in establishing the Metro Boston Recovery Learning Community among her most transformative experiences during her time at Boston Medical Center.

Peggy left Boston Medical Center and served briefly as the Chief of Psychiatry for Carney Hospital. Rejecting the commonly voiced statement that someone is “too acute for a psychiatric admission,” she prioritized treating individuals with significant psychiatric symptoms and co-occurring medical comorbidities. In addition, she made adding a consumer voice to the services a priority and included peer counselors as part of the staff.

No discussion of Peggy would be complete without her acknowledgement of her life with her wife Koni Ross-Johnson. They live in Dorchester with their dog, Kosmo. Koni is Peggy’s closest friend and helps her to give meaning to the notion that authenticity requires vulnerability, transparency and integrity.

Laura Easton and Peggy Johnson

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For over a decade, Lauren Easton, LICSW, has served as the Behavioral Health leader for Commonwealth Care Alliance (CCA). Over the years and in various roles, Lauren has been largely responsible for developing CCA’s behavioral health integration across its care models, for creating a responsive network, and for creating many innovative programs.

Lauren embraced the integration of behavioral health and medical care long before the concept became “trendy.” She has made behavioral health integration a hallmark of program development throughout her professional life.

In her current role, Lauren is responsible for the oversight of CCA’s behavioral health services, delivered through its network of behavioral health providers and behavioral health specialists to CCA’s 17,000+ members. She oversees the development and expansion of the One Care program, paying particular attention to the significant mental health needs of this population. Lauren provides consultation, education, and support to clinicians and others in our provider network regarding behavioral health/substance abuse treatment and management, and she is responsible for ensuring that the organization can appropriately and effectively support the needs of enrollees with mental illness and other behavioral health needs. Also, Lauren actively collaborates with state agencies and legislators to support the development of innovative behavioral health services and programs throughout the state.
Lauren also works with clinical leaders to ensure that there is appropriate coordination and integration of behavioral health/addiction treatment services for enrollees being served by CCA, in accordance with the treatment plan designed to meet the specific needs of individual members. She is responsible for assisting clinical leadership in improving the level of integration of Primary Care and behavioral health services for CCA members and for guiding network development, cost management, and quality improvement activities.

In addition, Lauren has developed a partnership between CCA and St. Boniface Hospital in Haiti. A team of CCA clinicians has traveled to Haiti eight times since the 2012 earthquake to provide consultation, training, and support to develop awareness of mental health in the country. As a result, St. Boniface Hospital and hospitals across the country have fully embraced and implemented the CCA model of care and integration of PC and behavioral health.

Lauren holds a master’s degree from the Simmons School of Social Work. She also attended Boston University and the University of Massachusetts, where she completed a double Major in psychology and elementary education. Her professional life began as a clinician, and, after demonstrating considerable thoughtfulness, maturity, and clinical acumen, she quickly progressed to assuming an administrative role as Program Director for Riverside Community Care. In that role, Lauren was responsible for multiple group homes that provided support to individuals with serious mental illness. She has also brought her skill and passion for behavioral healthcare to a number of care facilities and clinics in eastern Massachusetts.

Lauren lives in Winchester, Massachusetts, and has four children, ages 17, 16, 15 and 11. Her family loves the outdoors, and they spend their time sailing in the summer and skiing all winter. Her children are also involved in soccer and horseback riding. Lauren enjoys running to get through each day!
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Congratulations to Marie Feltin Award honorees Kate Nordahl, Neil Cronin, Peggy Johnson and Lauren Easton.

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