



SAFETY NET FOR CHICAGO

A Holistic Approach to Suicide Prevention for Large Metropolitan Areas

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Stanley A. Lewy, MBA, MHP -President and Founder- Survivor of Son David's Suicide in 2001, Father, Stanley's Suicide in 1987, Past Chairman, Illinois Suicide Prevention Taskforce -President and Founder, Midwest Chapter American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

Mr. Lewy (Stan) brings his passion, his business acumen, his experience in starting AFSP, Midwest, and a "fire in his belly", to bring Suicide Prevention Association and its vision to Chicago, to Illinois, to the USA and the World."

Peter M. Gutierrez, Ph.D. – Clinical/Research Psychologist at the Denver Veterans Administration Mental Illness Research, Education and Clinical Center; Associate Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine; Past-President and Current Board-member, American Association of Suicidology

Dr. Gutierrez (Pete) brings his Suicidology experience, his connections in Government and in the field of Suicidology, and his unrelenting quest for better services for those at risk of harming themselves, to Suicide Prevention Association.

Anthony Zipple, Sc.D., MBA -CEO Thresholds, Author, Area of Expertise; Rehabilitation of Individuals with Severe and Persistent Mental Disabilities

Dr. Zipple (Tony) brings his intellect, his extensive experience in the field of Rehabilitation of Persons with a Severe and Persistent Mental Illness, his extensive management experience in Not for Profit Organizations and his unwavering devotion to helping those who can better their lives, with appropriate guidance and freedom to succeed.

Harold E. D'Orazio, Independent Telecommunications Professional, Former Motorola Senior Manager of Iridium Project, Member of Numerous for Profit and Not for Profit Corporate Board of Directors, including Thresholds, Lake County Enterprises

Mr. D'Orazio (Hal) brings his extensive business experience, both operationally and his corporate board experience, his entrepreneurial spirit and his constant quest to assist



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those who can succeed with “just a little help from a friend,” not to mention the twinkle in his eye and smile on his face.

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Michael T. McRaith, Director, Department of the Treasury, new Federal Insurance Office, Previously Director, Illinois Department of Insurance,

The office, which was established in the Dodd-Frank financial reform legislation, does not have any regulatory powers but will monitor the insurance industry and reach out to Congress and federal agencies on important industry issues.

As director of the Federal Insurance Office, Mr. McRaith also will take a seat at the Financial Stability Oversight Council, which will identify threats — for instance, financial institutions that are “too big to fail” — to the nation's financial stability.

As the top insurance cop in Illinois, Mr. McRaith oversaw the runoff of Kemper InsuranceGroup and also led the department's investigation into contingent commissions, improper payments made to agents and brokers by insurers for steering clients to those carriers. In 2005, Mr. McRaith and Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan reached a \$27 million settlement agreement with insurance brokerage firm Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. for accepting contingent commissions from carriers.

Currently, Mr. McRaith is the secretary-treasurer of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners and participates in an array of its committees and task forces, including the AIG Managing Task Force and the Life Insurance and Annuities Committee.

Director of Local Community Based Agencies; AIDS Foundation of Chicago
AFSP, SPA.

Director McRaith (Mike) brings experience as a top level Governmental Leader, an understanding of the law, especially Insurance Law, a passion for propriety and for Suicide Survivors, of which he is one, as well as an exceptional understanding of the funding issues now facing all Not for Profits in Illinois



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Morton M. Silverman, M.D. Psychiatrist, First Director of National Suicide Prevention Resource Center, Director of the University of Chicago's Counseling Center, Editor Emeritus of Suicide and Life-Threatening Behavior, The Official Journal of the [American Association of Suicidology](#)

Dr. Silverman, (Mort) brings world class experience in the field of Suicidology; a researcher, an author, an Director of Governmental Programs and an individual held in the highest regard by his peers around the world, he will guide SPA in the appropriate protocols to follow, connect it with the appropriate partners in the medical community, and bring a professional stamp of approval to our visions.

Steven J. Lewy, General Manager, Sonic, of Louisiana, (Standing in for his father, Professor John E. Lewy, M.D. FAAP- Deceased)

Mr. Lewy (Steve) brings to SPA his experience in business, his enormous heart, his devotion to his cousin David and his love and respect for his father, for whom he stands and represents. Dr. Lewy (John) supported and nurtured the vision of SPA from its inception. He was a world class champion for the health of the Children of the World, whether teaching pediatricians in Africa or helping design hospitals for the Children of Sarajevo, Bosnia, whether advising the Senate Finance Committee on Healthcare issues, or caring for an infant who needed dialysis, John was in there fighting for the Children, he did not want to see them die by their own hands.

Howard Pizer, Executive Vice President, Chicago White Sox-Vice President and Secretary, Chicago White Sox Charities, Past President Chicago Children's Charities – Presently member board of directors of Chicago Baseball Cancer Charities; Special Children's Charities, the fundraising arm of Chicago Special Olympics; and Near West Side Development Corp.,

Mr. Pizer (Howard) brings a love of his nephew David, a planning and management expertise, a network of friends and business associates, a knowledge of the law and of funding projects, experience on Corporate Boards, both For Profit, and Not for Profit and a drive that is hard to surpass.



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Kathy Ryg, M.P.A., Suicide Survivor , President, Voices for Children, Former Representative, Illinois House of Representatives, Chaired the House Disabilities Services Committee, Member of Illinois Children' Mental Health Partnership, Recipient of several Honors and Awards as an Illinois State Legislator

Representative Ryg (Kathy) recently, and sadly, lost her beloved brother Ted to suicide. Kathy brings her present expertise as a Not for Profit leader, and her recent expertise as a high level legislator, her passion for helping the people of Illinois, her intimate knowledge of State of Illinois funding and Health and Human Service issues.

Lt. Jeffrey Murphy (Ret.), President: MH Consultants Inc. A 40 year veteran of the Chicago Police Department. CPD's CIT training was launched in October of 2004 making Chicago the largest urban area in the country with a CIT program. In April, 2007, the Crisis Intervention Team was given the President's Award by the United States Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association (USPRA) and The Illinois Governor's Award for Excellence in Law Enforcement Education. Named, Coordinator of the Year at the Third National CIT Conference in Memphis. A member of the Board of Directors of CIT International, Thresholds, and Vice President of NAMI of greater Chicago, MH Consultants, Inc. he continues to teach mental health crisis intervention skills to law enforcement and corrections officers for the Cook County Sheriff's Police and conducts CIT training for law enforcement agencies across the country.