

Learning Session

Exit Strategies: Managing the End of a Funding Relationship

Public Health Program and U.S. Programs joint session

Wednesday, September 9th, 2:30-5pm

405 West 59th Street, Rooms 201/202 (right across the street from OSI)

AGENDA

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| 2:30 – 2:40 | Welcome and brief introductions |
| 2:40 – 2:55 | Saying Goodbye to Grantees: Small group sharing of exit strategies stories, concerns, ideas, experience |
| 2:55 – 3:30 | Directed panel discussion on Exit Strategies
<u>Panelists</u> : Kathleen Foley, Director of the International Palliative Care Initiative, Vicent McGee, former Executive Director of the Aaron Diamond Foundation and currently a Senior Advisor to Atlantic Philanthropies, Raquiba LaBrie, Director of USP's Equality and Opportunity Fund, and Anita Nager, former Executive Director of the Beldon Fund.
<u>Moderator</u> : Shari Turitz, Director of Programs, Public Health Program |
| 3:30 – 4:00 | Open Q&A session with panelists |
| 4:00 – 4:40 | Small group work: Real Time Consulting cases |
| 4:40 – 5:00 | Presentation of key advice resulting from small group work & plenary discussion |
| 5:00 | Wrap up & completion of workshop evaluation form |

PANELISTS BIOS

Kathleen Foley

Dr. Kathleen M. Foley is the Medical Director of the International Palliative Care Initiative of the OSI Public Health Program, working to advance palliative care globally. Foley has focused her career on the assessment and treatment of patients with cancer pain. With her colleagues, she has developed scientific guidelines for the use of analgesic drug therapy through clinic pharmacologic studies of opioid drugs.

She is an attending neurologist in the Pain & Palliative Care Service at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City and is also professor of neurology, neuroscience, and clinical pharmacology at Weill Medical College of Cornell University, and previous director of the WHO Collaborating Center for Cancer Pain Research and Education at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center.

Foley holds the chair of the Society of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in Pain Research. She was elected to the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences for her national and international efforts in the treatment of patients with cancer pain. She is the past director of the OSI Project on Death in America, whose goal was to transform the culture of dying in the United States through initiatives in research, scholarship, and clinical care.

Foley received the Distinguished Service Award and the Humanitarian Award from the American Cancer Society, the David Karnovsky Award from American Society of Clinical Oncology, and the Frank Netter Award from the American Academy of Neurology. She is a previous Rita Allen Scholar. Foley chaired three expert committees that resulted in the publication of the three WHO monographs on Cancer Pain and Palliative Care: "Cancer Pain Relief" (1996), "Cancer Pain Relief and Palliative Care" (1990), and "Cancer Pain and Palliative Care in Children" (1996).

Raquiba LaBrie

Raquiba LaBrie is the Director of U.S. Programs' Equality and Opportunity Fund at the Open Society Institute (OSI). In this role, Raquiba directs grantmaking focused on ensuring justice and equality, prohibiting arbitrary and discriminatory government action, and lifting barriers that prevent people from participating fully in economic, social, and political life. In 2007, Raquiba helped design and launch an OSI initiative to respond to the sub-prime lending crisis. Raquiba was previously the program director of U.S. Programs' Sentencing & Incarceration Alternatives Project, which sought to reduce the scale of incarceration in the U.S. by: eliminating race and class disparities in sentencing and incarceration; promoting alternatives to incarceration; and limiting prison growth and prison privatization. Raquiba also directed the Soros Justice Fellowships and served as program officer for U.S. Programs' Access to Justice program, which focused on strengthening the federally funded civil legal aid field. Prior to joining OSI, she was an associate in the exempt organizations practice group of Patterson, Belknap, Webb & Tyler. While there she represented a range of private foundations and non-governmental organizations, including community economic development organizations, social justice activists, and funders supporting micro-credit lending institutions in Africa, Asia and Latin America. She graduated from Yale- College and Harvard Law School.

Vincent McGee

Vincent McGee has worked for over thirty-five years as an executive and consultant for non-profits and foundations. Currently he is Senior Advisor at Atlantic Philanthropies and Board Chair of The Overbrook Foundation. He was Vice President and Secretary of the Irene

Diamond Fund from January 1994 to March 2002 and Executive Director of the Aaron Diamond Foundation from 1985 through 1996. Also he was Board Chair and CEO of FoodChange in 2006 and 2007.

He is currently on the boards of The Sister Fund and the Baker and Balm Foundations, and the Gagarin Trust; The Overseers of Smolny College of the State University of St. Petersburg; The Advisory Committee of the Institute for Liberal Education of Bard College and a member of the Rockefeller University Council.

Professionally, he has combined volunteer activism with staff and consulting work with foundations supporting human rights, social change and economic justice. He was Vice President for Development at the City College of New York (CUNY) from 1977 to 1980. As a representative of The Minority Rights Group he was an observer for a plebiscite which (unsuccessfully) challenged the nuclear free article in the Republic of Palau's Constitution about which he testified in the Fourth Committee of the United Nations and the Interior Committee of the US Congress. He served on the board of Amnesty Internal USA from 1976 – 1986, as Chair in 1981 and 1982.

During McGee's tenure at The Aaron Diamond Foundation it championed early research on HIV and AIDS and underwrote the creation of the Aaron Diamond AIDS Research Center for the City of New York, described by federal officials as a model for public/private cooperation. The Foundation also established a fellowship program at the postdoctoral level in AIDS and drug abuse which appointed 100 basic, clinical, and social scientists in New York institutions between 1991 and 1996.

Under McGee's leadership the Aaron Diamond Foundation also played an instrumental role in improving minority education and arts education in New York City's public schools. Among other accomplishments, the Foundation worked with philanthropic partners, educators, and public officials to develop smaller schools better to meet student need, now the model for such work across the United States. The foundation also championed HIV/AIDS instruction and condom availability for students, human rights at home and abroad and programs in the arts.

Anita Nager

Anita Nager is the former Executive Director of the Beldon Fund, having also served for seven years as its Director of Programs. The Beldon Fund, founded and chaired by John Hunting, sought to build a national consensus to achieve and sustain a healthy planet. A spend-out foundation, the Fund invested its entire principal and earnings over a ten year period toward the attainment of this goal. Anita guided the final spend out, communication of lessons learned, and the conclusion of operations. When the Beldon Fund closed its doors in early 2009 it had allocated more than \$120 million in grants and foundation directed projects.

Prior to Beldon, Anita was a Senior Program Officer for Community Development and the Environment at The New York Community Trust where she designed a grantmaking strategy for a \$100 million fund focused on national environmental issues.

A former Board Chair of the New York Regional Association of Grantmakers, Anita also is a past board member of the Neighborhood Funders Group and the Environmental Grantmakers Association. She was a founding board member of Cause Effective, which provides management and resource development assistance to nonprofit organizations, and a founder of the AIDS and Adolescents Network of New York.

Anita is a trustee of the Hudson River Foundation and chairs the Advisory Board of its New York City Environment Fund, providing environmental stewardship grants to grassroots organizations. She is a founder and current co-chair of the Health and Environment Funders Network.

Anita was recognized by the Breast Cancer Fund at their 2008 Heroes Tribute for her "philanthropic leadership and nurturance of the environmental health movement." She is a graduate of Simmons College, and completed her M.A. in environmental psychology at the Graduate Center of the City University of New York.