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## Speaker Bios

**Jaime Wesolowski is the President and Chief Executive Officer at Methodist Healthcare Ministries of South Texas, Inc. A healthcare executive with three decades of leadership experience, Jaime is responsible for the overall governance and direction of Methodist Healthcare Ministries.**

**Jaime earned his Master's Degree in Healthcare Administration from Xavier University, and his Bachelor's of Science from Indiana University in Healthcare Administration. As a cancer survivor, Jaime is a staunch supporter of the American Cancer Society. He serves as Chair of the American Cancer Society's South Texas Area board of directors and he most recently was appointed as Chair to the newly created South Region Advisory Cabinet, covering eight states from Arizona through Alabama.**

**Jaime believes his personal experience as a cancer survivor has given him more defined insight and compassion to the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of patients and their families.**



**Jaime Wesolowski**  
Methodist Healthcare Ministries



**Amy Knop-Narbutis**  
Every Texan

**Amy Knop-Narbutis is the Research & Data Director at Every Texan, formerly the Center for Public Policy Priorities. She oversees data-based advocacy projects such as Texas KIDS COUNT and fee-for-service data offerings that advance equity for every Texan in the areas of quality health care, education, jobs, child well-being, and more. At Every Texan, we believe that social justice requires public policy.**

**Amy came to Austin via the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin, where she graduated top of her class with a Master in Global Policy Studies.**

**Jeremy Everett is the founder and executive director of the Baylor Collaborative on Hunger and Poverty. The Collaborative integrates research and practice through projects such as: the Texas Hunger Initiative, the Research Fellows program, the Global Hunger and Migration project, and the Hunger Data Lab among others.**

**Prior to launching the Collaborative, in 2009 Everett founded and served as the executive director of the Texas Hunger Initiative (THI), a capacity-building, anti-hunger project within Baylor University. THI partners with federal and state agencies, and numerous faith- and community-based organizations to develop and implement strategies to alleviate hunger through research, policy analysis, education, and community organizing. Jeremy earned a bachelor's degree from Samford University and a Master of Divinity from Baylor University. Jeremy is a Next Generation Fellow of the University of Texas LBJ School's Strauss Center for International Security and Law, a Senior Fellow with World Hunger Relief, Inc., and was appointed by U.S. Congress to serve on the National Commission on Hunger.**

**Jeremy is the author of I Was Hungry: Cultivating Common Ground to End an American Crisis, a contributing author in Food and Poverty: Food Insecurity and Food Sovereignty Among America's Poor (Vanderbilt University Press) and The End of Hunger: How Science, Religion, and Politics Can Work Together to Make Possible (InterVarsity Press).**



**Jeremy Everett**  
Baylor Collaborative on Hunger  
& Poverty

Anna Hardway joined CHILDREN AT RISK as the Chief Program Officer in 2019. Anna is a 20-year educator and an expert on strategic organizational support. Anna taught public schools in rural America for 10 years. She directed home visiting, afterschool and summer programs in WV, SC, and AL for Save the Children for 9 years. She worked with WV and SC State Collaboratives for Early Learning, State Departments of Educational and dozens of school districts. Since 2008, she has been an expert reviewer with WebbAlign on the topics of assessment alignment and state accountability in many states. Anna has worked with high need populations in the wake of six natural disasters to restore Child Care, Early Education and Out-of-School Time programs. Anna is a graduate of West Virginia University, Marshall University Graduate College, and Salem International University with a BA in Elementary Education (K-8), an MA in Reading Specialty (PK-AD) and various educational and organizational leadership certifications.



Anna Hardway  
Children at Risk



Lauren Gambill, M.D., MPA, FAAP  
Executive Board Member,  
Texas Pediatric Society

Lauren Gambill, M.D., MPA, FAAP, is a pediatrician in Austin Texas. Dr. Gambill attended medical school at The University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio, completed pediatrics residency at the University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School and obtained her Master of Public Affairs at the University of California Berkeley Goldman School of Public Policy. Dr. Gambill is passionate about advocacy, policy and equity in health care. She holds several local, state, and national leadership positions. She is a faculty fellow of The University of Texas at Austin LBJ School of Public Affairs Center for Health and Social Policy and serves on the executive board of the Texas Pediatric Society.

As Health Policy Associate, Katie Mitten leads Texans Care for Children's work to improve children's and family health, promote healthy development during early childhood, and strengthen access to health coverage so that Texas kids and families can be healthy and succeed. Katie served as Special Project Manager at Texans Care for Children from 2016 to early 2020. In that role she spearheaded the organization's work on the 2020 Census, conducted and published policy research on health care and other topics, helped manage legislative affairs, briefed reporters, coordinated the Hogg Foundation Mental Health Policy Academy, and organized coalition and community engagement meetings and events.

Prior to joining Texans Care for Children, Katie worked at the Austin Child Guidance Center and Feeding Texas, providing program coordination. She also served as an AmeriCorps volunteer with Teach for America and Communities in Schools. Katie has her Bachelor's degree and Master's degree in Social Work from The University of Texas at Austin.



Katie Mitten  
Texans Care for Children