

IACC Full Committee Meeting July 26, 2017

INVITED SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Lori McIlwain
Co-Founder and Board Chair
National Autism Association



Ms. Lori McIlwain is the Co-Founder and Chairperson of the Board at the National Autism Foundation. In 2012, Ms. McIlwain assisted the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children in creating federal search and rescue guidelines for missing children with special needs. In 2007 she began advocating for federal resources that would reduce and eliminate injuries and deaths associated with autism-related wandering. She has been a contributor in New York Times, and featured in USA Today, Time, WebMD, Education Week, FBI's National Academy Associate Magazine and on NPR.

Paul Lipkin, M.D.
Director
Interactive Autism Network



Dr. Paul Lipkin is the Director of Medical Informatics and the Interactive Autism Network (IAN) at Kennedy Krieger Institute (KKI). He is also co-Principal Investigator with other faculty on incorporation of IAN into the National Patient-Centered Clinical Research Network. Dr. Lipkin's clinical and research career focused on the early identification, evaluation, and treatment of children and adolescents with developmental disabilities, including autism, learning, and attention disorders. Funding includes support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Lipkin is also an Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and provides clinical services in the Center for Development and Learning at the Institute. He joined the faculty of the KKI and Johns Hopkins University in 1995. Dr. Lipkin has provided national leadership on children with special health care needs and disabilities, through his work with the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), where he served as Chair of its Council on Children with Disabilities from 2002- 2007. He remains active in key AAP initiatives, including its guidelines on developmental and autism screening and implementation of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Dr. Lipkin served as a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellow in 2010-2011, working in the Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius. Dr. Lipkin received his undergraduate degree from Rutgers University and attended medical school at Rutgers- New Jersey Medical School.

JaLynn Prince
President and Founder
Madison House Autism Foundation



JaLynn Prince is Co-Founder and President of Madison House Autism Foundation (MHAF), one of the first and only organizations in this country working exclusively on the issues facing adults on the autism spectrum. She works on nationwide topics of housing, employment, education, awareness, medical services, safety, concerns involving individuals on the spectrum, and matters confronting family members dealing with autism. The foundation was recently gifted a 400-acre farm in Montgomery County, Maryland, which is serving as an inclusive place for workforce development, respite, therapeutic riding, agricultural involvement and, eventually, housing for adults on the autism spectrum. Additionally, she is a member of the Royal Academy of Medicine and is one of the authors of *Autism Spectrum Disorder in Mid and Later Life*. She serves on advisory boards of universities and has spoken nationally and internationally about the issues confronting families dealing with autism. Prior to the creation of MHAF, Mrs. Prince worked in broadcasting, management consulting, as a press secretary on Capitol Hill, public relations, community development, and as an arts administrator. Her son Madison, 27, is on the autism spectrum.

Adrienne McBride
Executive Director
Madison House Autism Foundation



Adrienne McBride oversees all aspects of the Madison House Autism Foundation. Her focus is overall strategic and operational responsibility for Madison House’s staff, programs, and mission. Currently, Adrienne serves as a Board Director for the League of Women Voters-Montgomery County and is active on the Education, Budget and Fundraising Committees. She chairs its Montgomery County Budget Process review committee and is a longtime volunteer for Holy Cross Home Care and Hospice. Previously Ms. McBride worked for Silver Spring Community Vision and Shepherd’s Table to help address the issue of homelessness in Montgomery County and pursue a career in nonprofits. Later, she held a director position at the Universities at Shady Grove for the University of Maryland. Ms. McBride received her bachelor’s degree from Fairfield University, CT and a Masters of International Business Management (Marketing).

Desiree Kameka
Director of Community Education & Advocacy
Madison House Autism Foundation



Desiree Kameka's work for the Madison House Autism Foundation focuses on researching housing issues; advocating with organizations, families, and autistic adults on housing issues; and presenting at local and national gatherings. She visits many residential communities and social enterprises across the USA and abroad in order to highlight their unique victories and learning curves while sharing stories of residents with autism and other developmental disabilities. Ms. Kameka is also the project lead for Madison House's interactive Autism Housing Network. Her undergraduate degree is from the University of Miami in psychology, emphasizing psychobiology, with a minor in psychological and educational studies. She earned her master's degree in theological studies from Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, DC as well as a post-graduate certificate in Ecumenism from the Washington Theological Consortium. Her work analyzing autism through a theological lens has brought her international recognition as she worked with the World Council of Churches initiative of the Ecumenical Disability Advocates Network and the World Student Christian Association.