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The Response from Maryland's Administration and Legislature

Nov. 14, 4-5:30 p.m.

University of Maryland School of Nursing
Auditorium, Room 130

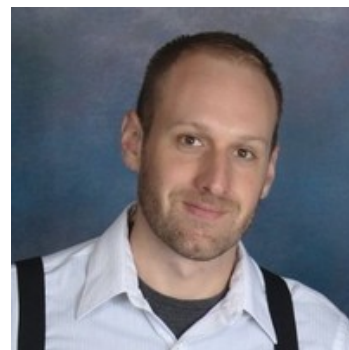
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Speaker:

Birch Barron, MSPH, CEM
Deputy Director, Opioid Operational Command Center
Chief of Staff to the Senior Emergency Management Advisor to the Governor

Birch Barron is the Deputy Director of the Maryland Opioid Operational Command Center, the state emergency management body responsible for coordinating efforts to combat the heroin and opioid crisis in Maryland. Mr. Barron also serves as a Senior Policy Analyst for the University of Maryland Center for Health and Homeland Security.



Mr. Barron has extensive experience working in disasters, including catastrophic floods, civil unrest, and multiple earthquake, hurricane, and first responder support missions across the U.S., Mexico, Central America, and Africa. Mr. Barron holds a master's degree

from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, where he focused on Health Systems and Emergency Management. He also holds a Certified Emergency Manager (CEM) designation from the International Association of Emergency Managers.

About the 2018-19 Dean's Lecture Series

The 2018-19 Dean's Lecture Series focuses on Opioid and Substance Use Disorders: Destigmatizing the Issue and Responding to the Challenge.

Between January and June of this year, Maryland reported 1,185 opioid related deaths, and Baltimore city represents one of the hardest-hit communities in the state. Individuals with substance use disorders face challenges from multiple sources, including stigma that they lack the will to overcome their addiction. Professionals providing care in all settings also face challenges in understanding the complexity of the issue and in establishing the collaborative network needed to provide effective care. There are promising developments in research and practice for improving outcomes. This lecture series considers these developments and invites you to participate in the dialogue.

Maryland's legislature and administration have implemented major policy initiatives toward developing effective strategies and resources. What has been the effect thus far and how much further do we need to go?

Learning Objectives

As a result of participating in this learning activity, nurses will be able to:

1. Discuss contributing factors to current opioid substance use disorder crisis in Maryland.
2. Discuss major Maryland policy initiatives targeting reduction in opioid substance use disorders.
3. Apply knowledge to professional role.

Additional Information

Continuing Education

Nurses may receive 1.5 contact hour(s) upon successful completion of this continuing education (CE) activity. To receive a certificate of CE, participants must attend the entire activity, then complete the evaluation survey and the verification of attendance form. Partial credit is not provided for this activity. Participants receive a CE certificate via email from the University of Maryland School of Nursing approximately 2-4 weeks after submitting their request, payment of \$10 and required documentation.



Accreditation Statement: The University of Maryland School of Nursing is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

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Lecture History

The Millicent Geare Edmunds Fund was established January 6, 1964 by a bequest from Millicent Geare Edmunds, “to be expended for any purpose which will add to the comfort, morale, or education of the student classes and the faculty.” Ms. Edmunds was one of 12 students in the 1905 graduating class of what was then known as the Training School, University of Maryland. She served as the president of the School’s Alumni Association from 1920–1921 and on the General Committee of the 200th anniversary celebration of the City of Baltimore.


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2018 Chief of Staff to the Senior Emergency Management Advisor to the Governor

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The Impact of Social Determinants on the Health and Well-Being of Baltimore’s Communities

Leana S. Wen, MD, MSc, FAAEM

2017 Commissioner, Baltimore City Health Department

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Community Engagement: Building Careers in Health Care and Research

Vanessa P. Fahie, PhD, RN

2016 Director, Exploring Health Professions Careers Project
Assistant Professor, University of Maryland School of Nursing

- Watch video.

Sleep, Sleepiness, and Fatigue in Nurses: How Organizations and Nurses Themselves Can Solve This Problem

Jeanne Geiger Brown, PhD, RN, FAAN

2015 Associate Professor, University of Maryland School of Nursing

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War, Disaster, and the Making of the Red Cross Nurse

2014 Marian Moser Jones, PhD, MPH

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