

# Public Health and Faith: Part 3

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#### Welcome from...



#### Joseph E. Gaugler, PhD

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Dementia Caregiving

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His research examines innovation in dementia care.



#### Land acknowledgement

The University of Minnesota Twin Cities is located on traditional, ancestral, and contemporary lands of Indigenous people. We acknowledge with gratitude the Land itself and the People. We take to heart and commit through action to learn and honor the traditional cultural Dakota Values: Courage, Wisdom, Respect and Generosity.



## The BOLD Public Health Center of Excellence on Dementia Caregiving (PHCOE-DC)

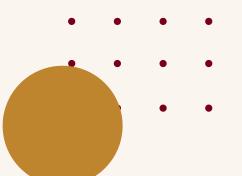
Designed to support state, tribal and local public health agencies nationwide in developing their dementia caregiving-focused programs and initiatives, by...



Improving access to evidence-based programs and best practices.



Facilitating connections and collaboration among public health agencies and a wide range of service organizations.





Providing technical assistance for identifying, selecting implementing effective public health interventions and strategies.



#### Welcome speakers!



Shana and Doug
Jones
Caregiver and
Person Living with
Dementia



Carol Shapiro
Former Dementia
Caregiver



Kimberly Hayman
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**Daphne Johnston**Respite for All
Foundation, AL



Rabbi Lynn C. Liberman, BCC Jewish Family Services of St. Paul, MN



#### A Caregiver's Perspective Panel

Speakers: Shana and Doug Jones and Carol Shapiro

Facilitator: Ginny Biggar



#### A Public Health Perspective

Speaker: Kimberly Hayman

Facilitator: Fayron Epps, PhD, RN, FGSA, FAAN

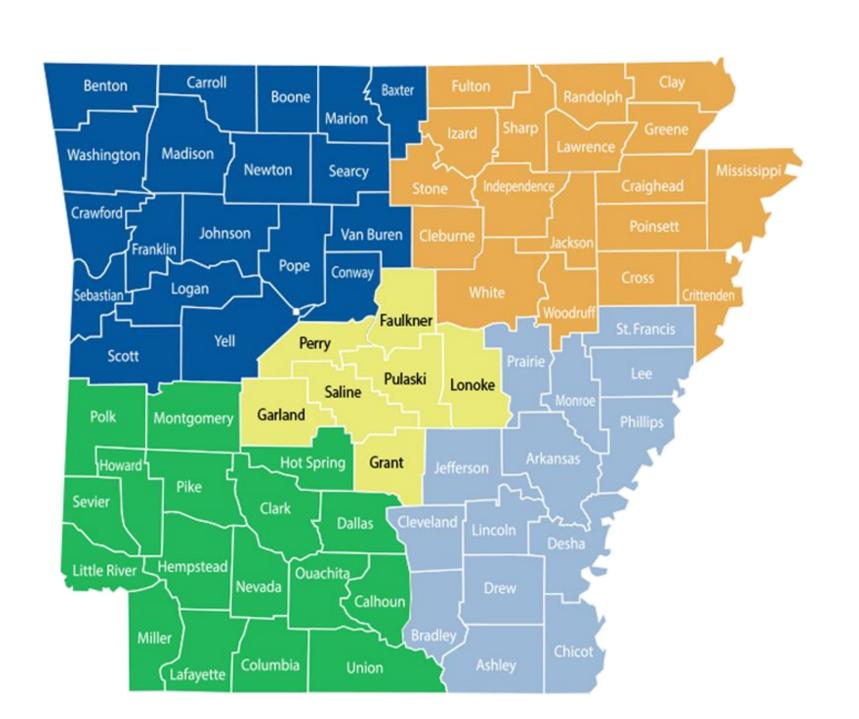


# ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OFFICE OF FAITH-BASED OUTREACH



## Arkansas Department of Health

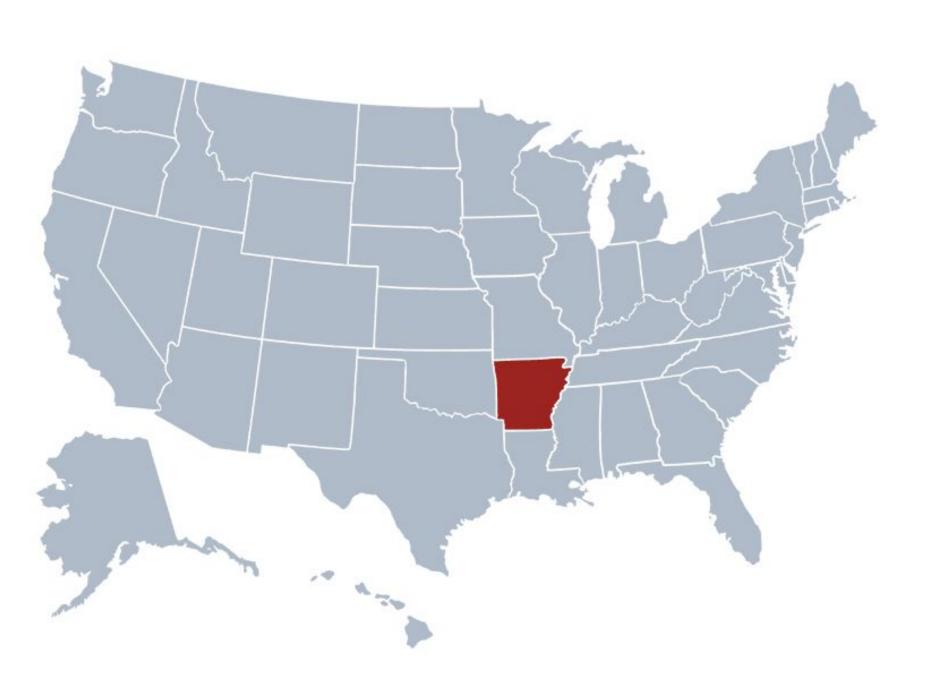




- Centralized public health system
- Main office in Little Rock, AR
- Four main Centers and Public Health Lab
- 94 local health units in 75 counties
- Local health units are regionally located
- Health and wellness services are provided at the local level

## Religious Landscape





- Arkansas is a small rural state
- Rich in religious diversity
- Tied for 5<sup>th</sup> in nation in terms of religiosity
- 77% of Arkansans believe in God
- 70% of Arkansans believe religion is important
- 70% of Arkansas are highly religious
- 41% of Arkansans attend church at least once a week
- 65% of Arkansans pray daily
- Over 7,500 congregations

## Religious Diversity









The Office of Faith-based Outreach works to inform, educate and empower communities of faith to take an active role in their health



### Outreach and Engagement Strategies



Work Across ADH
Centers/
Branches

Work Alongside Places of Worship Partner/ Collaborate with Community
Organizations

Faith-based Outreach Webpage

Faith-based
Outreach Liaisons

Monthly e-Newsletter

Power 2B Whole Regional Summits

Virtual 'Faith Forum' Platforms

Community Presentations Media Campaigns

"About Us"
Outreach Flyer

#### Monitoring and Evaluation

Efforts to achieve measurable improvements in efficiency, effectiveness, performance, accountability, and outcomes responsive to community needs are ongoing.



#### **We Monitor**

- Number and frequency of collaborations with ADH Centers/community partners
- Number of places of worship engaged in health and wellness activities
- Number of individuals reached via places of worship
- Number of health and wellness programs requested/provided
- Number of community presentations given
- Faith Forum participation

#### **Evaluation Methods**

- Outreach satisfaction/experience survey (External)
- Support Outreach Survey (Internal)
- Faith Forum post survey
- Quarterly liaison audit and feedback survey

#### **We Provide**

- Reports with data visualizations
- Forum Reports

## Challenges of Faith-based Outreach



Requires ongoing, mutually beneficial, consistent engagement

Differences in structure and belief systems

Flexibility/ Accessibility

Faith-based culturally tailored

Fine lines: Respecting faith traditions/advocating for health

## Advantages of Working with Communities of Faith



- Broad Outreach
- Hard-to-Reach, Hidden, and Vulnerable Populations
- Reduce Health Disparities
- Influence Behavior
- Resources







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#### **Panel Discussion**

Speakers: Daphne Johnston and Rabbi C. Lynn Liberman

Facilitator: Mary Ek, USAging, Dementia Friendly America



## Q&A

Please, submit your questions in the Q&A Zoom feature!



#### Save the date!

Join us for "Natural Disasters and Dementia Caregivers: A Roundtable Discussion on Public Health Action"! You will learn about the impact of climate change on those living with dementia and caregivers and how public health can support their preparedness, response, and recovery from natural disasters.

October 27th, 2022, Noon-1:30pmET



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