

*The 2nd Biennial*

**Social Work  
Policy Practice Forum**



**Cannon Building Caucus Room  
Washington, D.C.**

**October 2, 2001**

# Program

- 9:00-9:45am: Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 9:45-10:00am: Welcome and Introductions
- 10:00-10:30am: Q&A with the **Honorable Ciro Rodriguez** (D-TX) and the **Honorable Asa Hutchinson**, Drug Enforcement Administrator
- 10:30-10:50am: **Keynote Speaker: Wendy R. Sherman**, Principal, The Albright Group
- 10:55-11:45am: Panel Speakers:  
**Diann Dawson**, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Children and Families, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services  
**Kimberly Barnes-O'Connor**, Former Children's Policy Director; Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee
- 11:45-12:00: *Break*

## I. PURSUING A PUBLIC POLICY SOCIAL WORK CAREER

### Presenters:

- **Ulonda Shamwell**, Associate Administrator for Women's Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
- **Ilka Kouto**, Legislative Assistant, Office of Ellen Tauscher (D-CA)
- **Betty Guhman**, Special Assistant, Drug Enforcement Administration

II. THE INTEGRATION OF PUBLIC POLICY AND DIRECT SERVICE PRACTICE

Presenters:

- **Cindy Wirz**, Director of Constituent Services, Congressional District 28
- **Robert Schneider**, Professor of Social Work, National Chairperson Influencing State Policy, Virginia Commonwealth University School of Social Work. *Presenting with Aimee Perron, MSW student, VCU School of Social Work*
- **Paulette Bryan**, Social Work Congressional Fellow, Office of Senator Lincoln-Lambert (D-AR)

12:50-1:50pm: Lunch (Longworth Building Cafeteria)

2:00-2:30pm: Lobbying Information Session

2:30-3:30pm

I. OPPORTUNITY CIRCLES, Caucus Room

**Meet With Social Workers Who Work in Public Policy on the National Level; What are the Opportunities?**  
*Representatives From Aging Organizations, Child Welfare, Health, Federal Agencies, Unions, Faith Based, and National Social Work Organizations.*

II. STUDENT TESTIMONY, Room #340

**Selected Students will present testimony to congressional staff in the Hearing Room.**

**Student Presenters:**

- **Sally Margaret Brocksen**, Virginia Commonwealth University, Doctoral Program
- **Sandra B. Bumgardner**, Jacksonville State University, BSW program
- **Melissa Curtis Cherry**, University of Maryland, MSW Program
- **Blake L. Jones**, University of Kentucky, Doctoral program
- **Patricia M. Moran**, Virginia Commonwealth University, MSW program
- **Jennifer Rein**, University of New England, MSW program

3:30-5:00pm: Lobbying Visits

**Steering Committee:**

**Larry Ortiz, Chair**, *University of Maryland*  
**Marquessa Brown**, *Gallaudet University*  
**Shirley Bryant**, *Virginia Commonwealth University*  
**David Dempsey**, *National Association of Social Workers*  
**Fran Franklin**, *Catholic University*  
**Tricia B. Bent-Goodley**, *Howard University*  
**Susan Hoechstetter**, *Action Network for Social Work Education and Research*  
**Lakitia Mayo**, *National Association of Social Workers*  
**Daphne McClellan**, *University of Maryland, Baltimore County*  
**Liza Oktay**, *University of Maryland*  
**Ciro Rodriguez**, *Member of Congress*  
**Sunny Harris Rome**, *George Mason University*  
**Anita Rosen**, *Council on Social Work Education*  
**Joan Le vy Zlotnik**, *Institute for the Advancement of Social Work Research*

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