

NASBHC National Assembly on School-Based Health Care

Bringing Health Care To Schools For Student Success

**H1N1 AND SEASONAL FLU:
SCHOOL-BASED VACCINATION**



Laura Brey joined the NASBHC staff in October of 2000 as the Director of its new Center for Technical Assistance and Training. She is now NASBHC's Director of Training and manages the annual convention, and all other NASBHC technical assistance and training requests and initiatives. Her thirty year career in public health and nonprofit administration, management, consultation, and training includes: Clinical Service Coordinator for the NC Division of Public Health, Making the Grade in NC, the State Office for the development, funding, and oversight for NC's 50 SB/SLHCs; Project Director for the American Medical Association's GAPS in School-Based Health Centers Initiative, a five-year national project of the Carnegie Corporation of New York focused on the implementation of clinical preventive services in SB/SLHCs; Owner and Senior Partner, Chicago HealthCare Management Consultants, Inc., a public health and nonprofit management consulting firm; Assistant Administrator for Ambulatory Care, Cook County Hospital's Fantus Health Center, and Health Education Coordinator, Illinois Migrant Council. Laura is an Illinois native and received her Bachelor of Arts in Teaching, French, Spanish, and School Health Education and her Master of Science in Community Health Education and Administration from University of Illinois.



Jan Strozer, MPA, MSW, LGSW joined NASBHC in February 2009 as the Program Manager. In this role, Mrs. Strozer is responsible for managing the activities of two national cooperative agreements including physical and mental health quality improvement activities, providing data analysis and reporting expertise to the national SBHC Census survey, and supervising program interns. Prior her work at NASBHC, Mrs. Strozer was the Pediatric Project Manager for Access Community Health Network, a 50 site federally qualified health center in Chicago, where she managed quality improvement projects around all aspects of pediatric clinical care. Mrs. Strozer also has data analysis and reporting experience through her work as Data Manager for the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, Research Analyst with Pinkerton Computer Consultants, and Consultant for several academic and private projects. Mrs. Strozer holds a Master of Social Work with a Clinical Concentration and Specialization in Child, Adolescent, and Family Health from University of Maryland, Baltimore, a Master of Public Administration from University of Akron, and a B.A. in Sociology from The College of Wooster.



Judith Covich is the Director of School Health Services for Montgomery County, Department of Health and Human Services which provides health services to 139,000 students in 201 Montgomery County Public Schools and 6 School Based Health Centers. She oversees over 300 public health nurses, school health room aides, allied health and contract professionals who provide traditional school health services and primary health care services from a public health perspective.

Her programs in areas of teen pregnancy prevention and parent support, access to care, school based health care, and public health preparedness have received national recognition.

Ms. Covich sees school based health centers as an essential element in the health care system and a critical contributor to students' readiness to learn. She led efforts to expand school based health centers in Montgomery County for over 12 years. During that time the program has grown from 2 to a planned 11 schools, expanded from elementary to secondary sites and continues to grow its partnerships and community and public support.

Ms. Covich's leadership reflects her commitment to plan for and respond to public health emergencies. She led planning and implementation of one of eleven of the first *Public Health Ready* programs in the nation, receiving recognition of the National Association of City and County Officials. She is currently leading an expansive School Based Seasonal Flu Vaccine Campaign and planning for H1N1 vaccine administration for students, in partnership with Montgomery County Public Schools, and other public health and county and community partners.

Ms. Covich's career has been dedicated to public health. Prior leadership positions were in the areas of community health, child, adolescent health, special children's services and oral health. She is a member of the Board of the Montgomery County Collaboration Council and professional and advocacy organizations including the National Association of School Based Health Care.



Judith Shlay, MD, MSPH is an Associate Professor in Family Medicine at the University of Colorado Denver. At Denver Public Health (DPH), she is the Director of the Immunization and Travel Clinic and directs all Title X family planning activities for the Denver Metro Health Clinic. Dr. Shlay has been the principal investigator for a number of projects focusing on a wide range of topics including reproductive health, family planning, STDs, HIV-related peripheral neuropathy, and HIV-related metabolic disorders. More recently she has been focusing on immunization outreach activities, cardiovascular disease prevention, and maternal child health activities. Besides working at DPH, Dr. Shlay is a primary care provider through Denver Community Health Services at Denver Health.