

Advancing Quality and Financing of Digital Tools for Youth Mental Health: A Workshop Series

Committee

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Chair

Dr. Leslie R. Walker is chair of the Department of Pediatrics and associate dean at the University of Washington, while also serving as senior vice president and chief academic officer at Seattle Children's. She is also the current president of the Association of Medical School Pediatric Department Chairs (AMSPDC). Previously, she served as chair of pediatrics at Penn State University College of Medicine and as division head of Adolescent Medicine at the University of Washington, and earlier in her career established the Section of Adolescent Medicine at Georgetown University. Dr. Walker is a prominent expert in adolescent health whose work centers on substance use prevention and treatment, child development, and strengthening the pediatric workforce. She earned her AB in Human Biology from Stanford University and her MD from the University of Illinois College of Medicine, followed by pediatric residency training at the University of Chicago and a fellowship in Adolescent Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco. She has contributed to numerous National Academies committees over the past twenty years including, Advancing Child and Youth Health Care System Transformation: A Workshop Series and Implementing A New Vision for High Quality Pre-K Curriculum: A Workshop.

Armelle Casau

Member

Armelle Casau, is the Director of Programs and Partnerships at Family Voices, where she supports alignment across research, policy, family engagement, programs, and partnerships to advance health equity, expand accessibility, and strengthen coordinated systems of care for children and youth with special health care needs. She has extensive experience in evidence-based policy research, implementation support, cross-sector partnerships, stakeholder engagement, and advocacy from her previous roles as the associate director of child and family health at the Center for Health Care Strategies and as a senior research and policy analyst at New Mexico Voices for Children. Her policy expertise includes early childhood care and education, child health care transformation, family engagement, two-generational strategies, Medicaid, SNAP/food insecurity, health-related social needs, and systems alignment. Armelle holds a PhD from Princeton University and a BS from the University of Texas, both in molecular biology.