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Shawn's technical strengths are transportation planning, modeling, and freeway operations. He has worked in virtually every stage of project development including comprehensive planning, corridor/feasibility studies, public engagement, grant writing, environmental (NEPA) investigations, Access Justification Reports (AJR), Value Engineering (VE), construction (PS&E) documents, Design Build, and Public Private Partnerships (P3). Shawn received his Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering from the United States Military Academy at West Point and his Master of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Wisconsin at Madison. He is a registered Professional Engineer in Missouri, Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and North Carolina and is certified nationally as a Professional Traffic Operations Engineer (PTOE) and Professional Transportation Planner (PTP).

Karyn M. Warsow, MSc., MPH, DrPH(c)

Chairman

Founder & Executive Director TPH Link/ICTH/IPATH
DrPH Candidate, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health
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Karyn is a cross-disciplinary professional with 15 years of experience, in trauma and critical care medicine; specifically, traumatic brain and spinal cord injuries due to motor vehicle crashes and interpersonal violence. With this experience, she successfully crossed over to the field of transportation after advocating for policy change in her local community. Karyn brings to the field of transportation, a unique perspective that merges best practices and lessons learned from multiple disciplines to devise innovative solutions. Over the years,

she has developed an exceptional network of high-level national and international multimodal transportation, urban planning and public health contacts. Karyn is a strong results-based leader. She is the Founder and Executive Director of the Transportation Public Health Link (TPH Link), which administers the International Professional Association for Transport & Health (IPATH) and the International Conference on Transport & Health (ICTH). In addition, Karyn has established a partnership with the Transport & Health Study Group (THSG) in the United Kingdom and serves on the Board as the US Policy and Advocacy Representative. Karyn is also a peer reviewer for the Journal of Transport & Health and multiple Committees of the Transportation Research Board (TRB) with membership in the TRB Strategic Management Committee and a member of the Institute for Transportation Engineers (ITE) Steering Committee on Transportation and Health.

Ghassan Abu-Lebdeh, PhD

Vice President

Associate Professor
American University of Sharjah
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Ghassan is Associate Professor of Civil Engineering and Transport at the American University of Sharjah, UAE. His research focus is on the interaction between urban traffic operations and public health. Ghassan teaches traffic control, in particular, congestion and sustainability in transport systems. He earned a doctoral degree at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA. His academic and industry experience spans 25 years in transport operations and planning with periods at Michigan State University, University of Kentucky, and the Metropolitan Planning Organizations in Worcester, Massachusetts.

E. Owen D. Waygood, PhD

Treasurer

Associate Professor
Polytechnique Montréal, Department of Transport
Engineering
Quebec, Canada



Owen graduated in 2009 with a PhD in Civil Engineering from Kyoto University (Kyoto, Japan). After a position as a research associate and then research fellow at the Centre for Transport & Society at the University of the West of England (Bristol, U.K.), he held first a position of Assistant and then Associate Professor of Transport Planning at Laval University (Quebec, Canada). In 2018, Owen was recruited by Polytechnique Montréal as an Associate Professor of Transport Engineering. He has published research on children's transport, physical activity, and social connections, sustainable transport, and transport behaviour change. He has been a co-guest editor for special issues on transport and child wellbeing, and transport and wellbeing published with the journal *Travel Behaviour and Society*. He conducts research on sustainable transport modes and how to increase their use.

Steve Yaffe

Secretary

Owner/President
Yaffe Mobility Consulting LLC,
IPATH Chair, Transit Family of Services Committee
United States of America



Steve Yaffe is proprietor of Yaffe Mobility Consulting LLC, recently retired as the Transit Services Manager for the Arlington County Department of Environmental Services – Transportation Division. He oversaw planning and operations for Arlington Transit (ART) fixed-route transit as well their local paratransit service. Steve has prior fixed route experience with RT Metro in Sacramento and Houston Metro. He has served on several Transportation Cooperative Research Program study panels, coordinated, presided over and presented at “Transit’s Reach: First Mile – Last Mile” workshop at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board and is a member of the TRB Transformative Trends in Transit Data Subcommittee. In his capacity with Arlington County, Steve provided input and testimony to the Virginia Dept. of Rail & Public Transportation’s Transit Service Delivery Advisory Committee (TSDAC) which has developed state assistance allocation formulas for both operating and capital support.

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Zahara Batool, PhD

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Research Fellow
Institute for Transport Studies (ITS), University of Leeds
United Kingdom



Zahara Batool is an academic with expertise in human factors and driver psychology and a background in transportation engineering. Her main research is focused on behaviour change at the intersection of transport, safety, health, and well-being. Zahara’s current research involves the role of societal and behaviour change in meeting the United Kingdom’s net-zero emissions and zero road deaths aspirations. She is particularly interested in increasing social acceptance of sustainable transport strategies and innovations among disadvantaged groups and the Global South by accommodating different social and cultural contexts. Zahara also has expertise in a range of quantitative and qualitative methodologies and tools.

Emily M. D’Agostino, DrPH, MS, MEd, MA
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Research Faculty
Duke Family Medicine & Community Health
Duke University School of Medicine
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Emily is a pediatric cardiovascular epidemiologist and community-engaged researcher whose work addresses youth health inequities related to physical activity, fitness, and resilience. She is currently an Assistant Professor at Duke University School of Medicine, Department of Family Medicine and Community Health, and holds a secondary appointment in the Department of Population Health Sciences. She obtained her doctoral training in epidemiology at the City University of New York, Graduate School of Public Health and Health Policy. Her current research aims to develop innovative community-based strategies targeting transportation equity as a social and structural driver of health. She also holds expertise in multilevel modeling techniques and the analysis of complex longitudinal datasets. Her research draws from over 20 years of experience working directly in school and park settings to improve youth health in underserved communities in New York City, Miami, and Durham.

Eleanor M. DiPalma, PhD, LCAT, BC-DMT
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New York City Department of Transportation
Executive Director of Innovative Programs
United States of America



In service to more than eight million New Yorkers including 5,500 DOT employees, Eleanor has served as executive director and leader of innovative programs and policies at the New York City Department of Transportation (NYCDOT). She brings a unique transdisciplinary perspective that promotes synthesis of disciplines to create anew. She designs and develops transportation services using holistic behavioral-science paradigms of dance-movement psychotherapy and movement analysis.

Eleanor is the first to earn a doctoral in dance movement psychotherapy at New York University. She is adjunct professor at the State University of New York at the Fashion Institute of Technology. Her research interests are focused on the psychophysical effects of active transport, in particular dance movement psychotherapy in green spaces. Eleanor’s distinguished public service career celebrates innovations linking health and transport. She created the first NYCDOT Customer Service/Language Access recognized as a

Citywide prototype by the New York City Council. Eleanor advanced the plain language movement in City government as a primary component of language access. She established the NYCDOT Learning Center, the first centralized staff development and training program. Before NYCDOT, Eleanor pioneered health programs in New York State agencies. She founded creative arts psychotherapy for people with developmental disabilities and for people with psychiatric illness. The NYC Department of Education recognized her movement interventions, including those adopted in urban green spaces, and incorporated them into the Citywide curriculum as effective psychoeducational strategies to reach children with special needs.

Norman W. Garrick, PhD

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Professor Emeritus
Civil and Environmental Engineering
University of Connecticut
United States of America



Norman has led research on many areas of transport and health including: street networks and their impacts on traffic safety - including bike and pedestrian safety, car travel and the health of citizens; the evolution of parking provision in cities and its impact on the urban fabric of the city, and its role in inducing traffic in cities; the factors contributing to the widening gap between the USA and other developed countries in terms of traffic fatality, and strategies to reduce traffic fatalities in the USA; the potential societal impacts of autonomous vehicles, and the design and operation of streets, especially as related to the safety of pedestrian and bicyclists and the quality of place.

Norman has consulted with design teams on a range of projects across the USA and in several other countries. These projects include planning for post Hurricane Katrina reconstruction in Mississippi and post war re-development in Freetown, Sierra Leone; re-development of a low-income community in Kingston, Jamaica; form-based code for Lower Merion Township, PA; urban infill projects in Chicago and Richmond, VA; freeway removal planning in Charleston, SC; light rail assessment and design in Norfolk, VA; transit and parking planning in Nantucket, MA; and street design in Storrs, CT.

Norman has also a lead contributor to the Institute of Transportation Engineering/Congress for the New Urbanism's Street Design Manual, which has served as the model for the new generation of street design manuals that have revolutionized the way American cities and towns design streets. Norman has had the honor of working with several Mayors from across the country as part of the team of design professionals selected by the Nation Endowment for the Arts' Mayors Institute on City Design. He is a Fellow of the Congress for the New Urbanism (CNU), where he also served on its national board for eight years

Lin Lin, PhD
Board of Directors

Xi'an Jiaotong – Liverpool University
Senior Lecturer, Department of Urban Planning & Design
Suzhou, Jiangsu, China PRC



Lin received her doctoral. in urban design and planning from the University of Washington in Seattle, Washington. Before she joined Xi'an Jiaotong – Liverpool University, Lin was an assistant professor at School of Ecological and Environmental Sciences at East China Normal University. Her research interests focus on conceptualizing and understanding the reciprocal relationship between the built environment, human behaviors, and public health. Lin believes this relationship underpins the development of genuinely healthy and sustainable communities.

Jennifer Mindell, BSc, MB BS, PhD
Board of Directors, THSG Representative

Professor of Public Health
Health and Social Surveys Research Group
Research Department of Epidemiology and Public Health
University College London
United Kingdom



Jenny is a Professor of Public Health in the Health and Social Surveys Research Group of the Research Department of Epidemiology & Public Health at UCL (University College London). She has experience in epidemiology, general practice, and health promotion. Jenny leads the UCL Health Survey for England team and is health lead of UCL's Transport Institute. Jenny supervises doctoral students in both the Population Health Sciences and the Civil, Environmental & Geomatic Engineering Faculties. Previously, she was Deputy Director of the London Health Observatory and led health impact assessments of the London Mayor's Transport and other strategies. Jenny was also Principal Investigator for a cross-disciplinary project developing tools to measure community severance by road traffic. Jenny was lead editor of the 2011 report, "Health on the Move2" published by the Transport & Health Study Group (THSG). She is the previous Editor-in-Chief of Journal of Transport and Health, former Co-chair (Science) of THSG, and chairs the UK Faculty of Public Health's Health Improvement Committee.

Jun-Seok Oh, PhD, PE, PTOE

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Associate Professor
Director, Transportation Research Center for Livable Communities
Western Michigan University
United States of America



Jun is Professor of the Department of Civil and Construction Engineering at Western Michigan University and also Director of Transportation Research Center for Livable Communities, a Tier 1 University Transportation Center funded by the U.S. Department of Transportation. With 34 years of experience in the transportation field, his unique strength is an extensive knowledge of both traffic engineering and transportation systems analysis through his experiences as a researcher or a professional engineer. Jun has participated in a wide range of research activities related with transportation systems analysis, traffic safety, intelligent transportation systems, advanced traffic management, and non-motorized transportation systems. His recent research focuses on building livable communities through smart, safe, sustainable transportation. He earned his PhD from University of California at Irvine.

Samuel E. Schwartz, PE

Board of Directors

Chief Executive Officer + Founder
Sam Schwartz Transportation Consultants
United States of America



Sam is CEO of Sam Schwartz Transportation Consultants, a firm that specializes in transportation planning and engineering. He also writes a column on traffic for The New York Daily News. Previously Mr. Schwartz was New York City's Traffic Commissioner and was the Chief Engineer of the NYC Department of Transportation. He started his transportation career in the late 1960's as a NYC cabbie and joined the Traffic Department, as a junior engineer, in 1971. Mr. Schwartz, often referred to by his nom de plume "Gridlock Sam," released the word "Gridlock" into the lexicon during the 1980 NYC Transit strike.

Sam's most recent books, *No One at the Wheel: Driverless Cars and the Road of the Future* (2018) and *Street Smart: The Rise of Cities and The Fall of Cars* (2015) lay out a recipe for cities faced with rapid changes in modes, automation, demographic shifts and travelers' preferences. He has long highlighted the inextricable link between public health and transportation and has been a member of the International Professional Association for Transport & Health (IPATH). He is the principal author of *Public Transit and Covid-19 Pandemic: Global Research and Best Practices*.

Sam has been an adjunct professor for 40 years at some of New York City's most respected colleges and universities including Cooper Union, Long Island University, Hunter College and Brooklyn College. He is a Charter Board Member of the Institute of Design & Construction (IDC) Innovation Hub at NYU's Tandon School of Engineering, Dept. of Civil & Urban Engineering. He obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Physics at Brooklyn College and received a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering at the University of Pennsylvania. He is a licensed Professional Engineer in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and Florida.

Ipek N. Sener, PhD

Board of Directors

Associate Research Scientist
Texas A & M Transportation Research Institute
United States of America



Ipek is an Associate Research Scientist at the Texas A&M Transportation Institute. Her research focus lies at the intersection of social, behavioral, and data sciences and brings together the elements of mobility, safety, equity, health, and technology. She has a particular interest in understanding individuals' activity-travel behaviors, the changing nature of transportation choices, and the related impact on and/or connection to transportation and sustainable mobility. She serves as a Faculty Affiliate at the Texas A&M Center for Population Health and Aging and is an active member of several TRB committees, including the Travel Behavior and Values Committee, the Effects of Information and Communication Technologies on Travel Choices Committee, and the Health and Transportation Subcommittee. She received her doctorate degree in Transportation Engineering from The University of Texas at Austin.

Stephen Watkins, BSc, MB, ChB, MSc, FFPH, HonFFSRH, CMILT

Board of Directors, THSG Representative

Co-Chair, Transport & Health Study Group (THSG)
Director of Public Health, Stockport City Council
United Kingdom



Steve is qualified in medicine and as a specialist in public health. He was a founding member of the Transport & Health Science Group (THSG) and co-chair. Steve was the editor and a co-author of THSG publication; Health on the Move and then co-editor of Health on the Move 2. He has also written "Unemployment: a Challenge to Public Health" and "Medicine and Labour: the Politics of a Profession". Steve is a member of the Council of the British Medical Association and a former President of the Medical Practitioners' Union, a British organisation, which is the medical organisation of the social movements of the people. In the transport field, his interests are demand responsive transport, active travel, new technology and transport for older people. Steve is also a Chartered Member of the Institute of Logistics and Transport.