Staff Biographies

Director of Spiritual Care and ACPE Supervisors

The Rev. William R. DeLong, M.Div., Ed.D., BCC

I currently serve as Director of Spiritual Care at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center, Randall Children's Hospital, and The Oregon Burn Center in Portland, OR. I also serve as system director for Clinical Pastoral Education for Legacy Health. I am a certified supervisor with The Association for Clinical Pastoral Education (ACPE). Prior to joining Legacy, I served as Vice President for Mission and Spiritual Care at Advocate BroMenn Medical Center in Bloomington, IL, and before that I was on the CPE faculty at Wake Forest North Carolina Baptist Medical Center where I completed my supervisory training.

I received a Doctorate of Education in health care ethics from Rush University and the Graduate Theological Foundation. I received a Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary with a concentration in Christian ethics. I am an ordained Presbyterian pastor and I am board-certified with the Association of Professional Chaplains.

The Rev. Jill E. Rowland, M.Div., D. Min., BCC

I serve as a member of the Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) faculty and as a staff chaplain. I am a certified supervisor with the ACPE and a board certified chaplain with the Association of Professional Chaplains (APC). Prior to joining Legacy, I served as a board certified chaplain with Providence Health & Services, where I completed my supervisory training.

I am an ordained minister and on the clergy roster of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Prior to my ministry in chaplaincy, I served fourteen years as a parish pastor and mission developer in both Arizona and Oregon. I received a Master of Divinity degree from Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in Berkeley, CA and a Doctor of Ministry degree in Congregational Mission and Leadership from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN. I enjoy running, playing golf, reading, cooking, watching and cheering on my favorite collegiate basketball and football teams, and spending time with my spouse, children, and Golden Retrievers.

Staff Chaplains and Clinical Mentors

Ms. Anna Gagnon, M.Div.

I work as an associate chaplain at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center. As a native Portlander, I feel blessed to serve in the same community in which I grew up, and in a hospital, that has cared for many of my own family members over the years. I hold a BA in Religious Studies with a focus in Islam and a Master of Divinity in Buddhist Chaplaincy. I completed my first ACPE residency at The University of Colorado Hospital, my second residency here at Emanuel, and am currently working toward board certification with the Association of Professional Chaplains (APC). In my ministry, I draw upon a rich Catholic upbringing and over fifteen years of Buddhist practice with teachers in both the Theravada and Mahayana traditions. I am a trained Meditation Instructor and feel passionate about my rewarding work as interfaith chaplain. It is an honor to journey with my patients through times of great spiritual and emotional crisis, and base my care in empathy, deep listening, and respect for all. In my free time, I enjoy gardening, kayaking, poetic writing, and spending time with my family.

Ms. Holly Hisamoto, M.Div.

I completed my Chaplain Residency at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center, Randall Children's Hospital and the Oregon Burn Center, after completing a Chaplain Internship at Children's Hospital Los Angeles. I hold a BA in Religious Studies from Naropa University, and a Master of Divinity in Buddhist Chaplaincy from University of the West, with special focus on interfaith dialogue and cross-cultural community building.

I was born in Alaska and hail from two very large and very caring Japanese-American and Jewish-American families, in whose company I developed my values for nonviolence, generosity and an active social conscience. I have been fortunate to study and practice in many Buddhist traditions, and am currently a Mahayana Buddhist, with my root practices in the Vajrayana. My present dharma home is at Kagyu Changchub Chuling in Portland, OR.

The Rev. Robert B. McIntyre, M.Div., D.Min.

I live in Portland, Oregon, west side. I received my Master of Divinity from Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary in 1984, and my Doctor of Ministry from San Francisco Theological Seminary in 1995. I am in the process for certification and on the clergy roster of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. I have served local congregations as a pastor and pastoral counselor since 1984.

Ms. Anat LeBlanc M.A.

I reside in Portland, Oregon where I am honored to serve as an interfaith chaplain at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center. I hold an M.A. in transpersonal psychology from the Institute of Transpersonal Psychology (now Sophia University) in Palo Alto, California, with an emphasis in spiritual psychology and women's studies. I completed an ACPE residency at Emanuel Medical Center and am working toward board certification with the Association of Professional Chaplains (APC). I draw from a background in Evangelical Christianity, Orthodox and Sufi Islam and resonate deeply with world mystic traditions, the eastern traditions of Buddhism, Advaita Vedanta and Kashmir Shaivism as well as indigenous traditions of North and South America. I am a heart-centered, empathic and intuitive minister, dedicated to transformational ministry that honors body, mind and soul and the unfolding of the human spirit through crisis, illness, grief and death.

The Rev. Paulette Mixon-Weller, M. Div, BCC

I serve as an Associate Chaplain and Supervisory Education Student. I am a board certified chaplain with the Association of Professional Chaplains (APC). Prior to joining Legacy, I served as a board certified chaplain with Kaiser Sunnyside Medical Center. I am an ordained Presbyterian minister and a spiritual director. I am also a chaplain in the Air Force Reserves. I graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary. I love seeing how people's faith and spirituality get them through hard times. I enjoy my family, traveling and our dog.

Mr. Dionys Murphy, M.Div.

I hold a Master of Divinity and Certificate of Pastoral Care through Marylhurst University and am endorsed by the Catholic Archdiocese of Portland as a Lay Chaplain. A "cradle Catholic," my care is also deeply informed and transformed by a Zen Buddhist practice of more than 25 years. Before joining the Spiritual Care staff at Emanuel as an interfaith Chaplain, I completed my ACPE residency at Oregon State Hospital in Salem. Previous to this, I served in hospice, university ministry, and at the Native American Youth and Family Center. It is my joy to be able to continue my service in the Legacy Emanuel setting of inclusivity, diversity, grace, compassion and clinically oriented, heart-centered care as a part of an interwoven, interdisciplinary team. My family and I live and grow in

Portland, where we enjoy a life together gardening, laughing, playing in the ocean and engaging in Martial Arts.

The Rev. Douglas Williams, Jr, M.Min., M.Div., D.Min., BCC

I live in Gresham, Oregon, having received my Master of Ministry from Northwest Nazarene University, and my Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry from George Fox Seminary. I am an ordained and endorsed pastor within the International Fellowship of Bible Churches and I am a board-certified chaplain in The Association of Professional Chaplains (APC). My clinical residencies were at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center, and St. Francis Hospital in San Francisco. I served various congregations in Kansas, Michigan, Washington, and Oregon for more than 24 years.

Administrative Assistant

Ms. Lori Rice

I graduated from Portland State University with a degree in professional writing and theatre arts. I spent five years as the office administrator for First Covenant Church in Portland, OR, and worked off and on as a freelance editor. Prior to joining Spiritual Care Services, I worked here at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center as a Patient Access Representative. I live in Portland, with my husband and two daughters. I enjoy singing, and I play several instruments. I love to read and write fiction.