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John Mohler is a long time EMS'er (45+ years) starting as an EMT-Basic with AIDS ambulance in Reno, Nevada. John continued to work for AIDS ambulance and Medic 1 paramedics as an EMT-Intermediate up until 1985 where/when he was graduated from the Orvis School of Nursing with a BS in Nursing. John, heavily involved in EMS and EMS education at this time continued his long time employment at St. Mary's Hospital in the ER and the ICU as a RN. John joined Care Flight as a flight nurse in 1989 and flew until 1996. After a 5 year sabbatical from Care Flight (he was working in the ER at SMH) he rejoined the REMSA-Care Flight team as a Critical Care Transport Nurse in 2000 and he continued to fly with Care Flight until 2015, when he changed uniforms and went to work for SEMSA Air 1 in Susanville, and then working for REACH Air in Elko, Nevada on their fixed wing and helicopter until May of 2018 and currently is employed by Battle Mountain General Hospital in the small rural town of Battle Mountain, Nevada and of course he continues to conduct EMS and nursing classes across the country.

Joey Gassen, MD joeygassen@hotmail.com

Born and raised in Alabama. Med school at University of Alabama school of medicine. Pediatric residency at Oregon Health Sciences in Portland. Hospitalist for several years in Vegas until pediatric emergency medicine fellowship in Phoenix. Have been here for 2.5 years. Currently the director of the pediatric emergency department.

Curtis Brown, MD NVMD@aol.com

Curtis Brown, M.D. FACEP, is a Board Certified Emergency Medicine Physician in Reno, Nevada . He has practiced for 26 years at both Renown Medical Center and Northern Nevada Medical Centers. Dr. Brown has been involved in teaching Domestic Violence through out Nevada and California to medical and legal personal for over 15 years. He currently sits on the Nevada State Domestic Violence Healthcare Leadership Team. He is a third generation Nevadan and the past President of the Nevada Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians.

Monica Myles mmyles@nvdonor.org

Monica Myles has been the Partner Liaison at Nevada Donor Network for three years. She works with organizations throughout the community to create innovative partnerships and helps to educate the public about the importance of registering as an organ, eye and tissue donor.

Casey Quinlan, Paramediccaseyquinlan@sbcglobal.net

Casey Quinlan is a paramedic and firefighter for the North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District. Prior to that he was a paramedic and the director of Education at REMSA. In addition to teaching a Paramedic Program, Casey has been involved with all aspects of prehospital education and continues to teach area paramedics and other hospital providers.

Gloria Dow and Annie Mac

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Gloria.Dow@renown.org**Barry Smith, Paramedic, ret**grumpybear311@gmail.com

Barry began his EMS career in 1978 working as an EMT on an ambulance in the San Francisco Bay Area answering 911 calls in Alameda County. He graduated from the Stanford Paramedic Program in 1980 and worked in Santa Clara County for twenty-two years as a street medic and paramedic supervisor. In addition, he was a volunteer firefighter in Morgan Hill, California. He began working for REMSA in 2002 as a paramedic and was the CQI Coordinator for five years. For the past ten years, Barry worked as a per diem instructor in the REMSA Education Dept. In addition, he worked for the Nevada State EMS Office for a short period of time. He has been a published author for 35 years with over 300 magazine articles and six books to his credit, most on EMS and aviation topics.

Kris Deeter, MDkhdeeter@gmail.com

Kris Deeter is a MEDNAX Pediatric Intensivist practicing in Reno, Nevada. She is the Medical Director of the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit and Inpatient Pediatrics at Renown Children's Hospital. In affiliation with the University of Nevada Reno, she serves as Associate Professor and Division Chief of Pediatric Critical Care and in the Chief of Pediatrics for Renown Regional Medical Center. Dr Deeter is originally from Northern California growing up in Redding and completing her undergraduate studies at the University of California at Berkeley. She completed her pediatric residency in 2001 in San Antonio, Texas at UTHSCSA then practiced general pediatrics (including urgent care and ER) for the National Health Service Corps. She led a hospitalist group at UTHSCSA, then transitioned back to private practice in Columbus, GA. Dr Deeter returned to training and completed a pediatric critical care fellowship at Seattle Children's Hospital in 2009. She then worked in a large mixed CICU and PICU in South Florida, Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital. Returning home in 2016, she moved to Reno for an exciting opportunity to develop and lead a rapidly growing inpatient program at Renown. In addition to her inpatient work, she is also employed by REMSA to provide pediatric training to Northern Nevada's paramedic, fire and Care Flight transport teams. Kris has been married for 21 years to a trauma surgeon who served in the military, and they have one daughter in college and another finishing high school. She is an avid skier, biker, hiker and pickleball player.

Dan Coll, PA-c

Dan is currently employed at the Tahoe Forest Hospital District for the Orthopedic Service. He assists in the evaluation and admission of orthopedic injuries in our emergency department. He also performs as the surgical first assistant and follow and co-manages the elective and acute orthopedic inpatients. In addition, he also works on long term planning for the Orthopedic Service Line. The group recently joined the Own the Bone Fragility Fracture program and registry, for which he serves as the site coordinator. They are in the process of joining the California Joint Replacement Registry and he will be the site coordinator. Prior to his current position, he was employed for 8+ years at Renown Regional Medical Center (formerly Washoe Medical Center) for the Orthopedic Trauma Service and prior to Renown, he was employed in a joint practice with a general orthopedist and a hand specialist. By working with a generalist and hand specialist, he garnered a strong foundation for orthopedics, both chronic and traumatic injuries. Dan was also employed at Harborview Medical Center's Urgent/Ambulatory Care in the main Emergency Department and previously at Kern Medical Center. Dan's ER experience allows him to stay current with general medical issues which is an asset when evaluating and managing patients for pre-operative evaluation, inpatient care, and post-operative care. His educational experiences as a health care team member include various settings at large medical centers and private medical offices in primary, as well as, specialty disciplines of orthopedics, general surgery, urology, obstetrics and gynecology, and emergency medicine. Dan also has over 18 years of pre-hospital BLS and wilderness medicine as a ski patrolman and commercial raft guide.

Bryan Bledsoe, MD

Dr. Bryan Bledsoe is a Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine at the University of Nevada School of Medicine in Las Vegas, Nevada and an attending physician in the Emergency Department and Level I Trauma Center at University Medical Center in Las Vegas. He has over 35 years of experience in emergency medical services (EMS) and emergency medicine. He entered EMS in 1974 as an EMT and attended one of the first paramedic programs in north Texas. Dr. Bledsoe worked for several years in Fort Worth as a paramedic and firefighter and went on to become an EMS instructor and coordinator prior to attending medical school. Dr. Bledsoe is board-certified in emergency medicine and a Fellow of the American College of Emergency Physicians. He is the author of numerous EMS textbooks. Dr. Bledsoe has over 900,000 books in print. His writings can also be found in the Journal of Emergency Medical Services (JEMS) where he is a regular contributor and columnist. Dr. Bledsoe has been often interviewed in national media in regard to EMS issues including The Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Chicago Sun Times, USA Today, Washington Post and others. In 2008, Dr. Bledsoe was named a "Hero of Emergency Medicine" by the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP). He was also named one of "Twenty Heroes of Health and Fitness" by Men's Health magazine in November of 2008. He is a frequent presenter at national and international EMS conferences. He is married and lives in Las Vegas, Nevada and Midlothian, Texas. He enjoys salt-water fishing.

Debbi Robison, RN

Debbi Robison is a Registered Nurse of 44 years, specializing in caring for the sexually assaulted victim. She has certifications as Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Adult/Adolescent (SANE-A) and Pediatric (SANE-P). She has also obtained added training in forensic nursing through the University of California, Riverside. She enjoys her role as a forensic medical examiner, part of the multidisciplinary team at the Washoe County Child Advocacy Center. She has been a part of this special team since opening in 2014. Her interest in this specialty began while working in the Emergency Department, and continued when it became a certified discipline, taking the first national certification test in 2001, and maintaining that certification since. She has performed more than 2500 forensic medical examinations on children and adults across all age spectrums. Debbi is a member of the International Association of Forensic Nurses, the Academy of Forensic Nursing, the Nevada Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence, the California Sexual Assault Investigators Association, and the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children. All of these associations offer educational opportunities for evidence-based practice and updates examination processes accordingly. She works closely with the Washoe County Forensic Lab to keep the examination process current according to their scientific standards. She participates in training advocates for Sexual Assault Support Services in Washoe County, Sexual Assault Response Advocates in Carson City, Live Violence Free advocates in South Lake Tahoe, and Sierra Community House in Truckee and Incline Village, Military Advocates at Fallon NAS and Lyon County EMS. Debbi is a 41 year resident of Nevada, coming from Southern California. She is a proud mom of 4 adult children, and Yah Yah to 7 grandchildren with another on the way. She has been married to her retired paramedic husband for 40 years.

Megan Tabano, OTR/L

Megan Tabano is an occupational therapist and has been practicing for 5 years. She has OT experience working in mobile and outpatient pediatrics settings, and with adults/older adults in acute care. She received her Bachelor's degree in Community Health Science and a Minor in Psychology from the University of Nevada, Reno in 2014. She then received her Master's of Science in Occupational Therapy from Touro University Nevada in 2017. She currently treats children and adults across the lifespan (birth-60), focusing on helping patients and facilities to develop and regain functional skills to participate in their day-to-day activities. She has experience working with a multitude of diagnoses including motor and neurodevelopmental dysfunction as Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Down syndrome, and developmental delays. She was born and raised in Northern Nevada, and enjoys exercising, skiing, spending time with her friends and family, and cheering on her favorite Nevada and New York sports teams.

Charlie Tabano, ret.

Charlie is a long time paramedic starting his career in 1977 after starting out as a firefighter in 1974. Born in New Jersey, Charlie moved to Reno in 1980 and started work for REMSA in 1985. In Charlie's other life as a drug dealer..... for Bristol Myers where he dealt with almost every medical practice in Northern Nevada. Charlie is credited as being the founder of the Mt. Rose Ski Patrol ALS program and recently retired as the program manager. Currently Charlie is a death scene investigator for the Washoe County's Medical Examiner's office. Charlie has been a long time EMS instructor here in northern Nevada.

Rob Harper, paramedic

Rob is 44 years old and was born and raised in Reno, Nevada. He is married with 4 children who are very active in travel sports. Rob has his career working at Remsa/Careflight where he served in a number of different roles including Paramedic, FTO, TEMS Medic, Critical Care Flight Medic and ran the paramedic program and an education coordinator for combined 12 years. Currently Rob works as the EMS coordinator at Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District.