

# Our Presenters



**Keynote Speaker**  
Dr. Chris E. Stout

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## **James E. Blessman, MD, MPH, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Family Medicine and Public Health Services at Wayne State University School of Medicine**

Dr. James Blessman is currently an Assistant Professor at Wayne State University, Department of Family Medicine and Public Health Sciences, Division of Occupational and Environmental Health. Born and raised in Detroit Michigan, he graduated from Michigan State University College of Human Medicine in 1984. Dr. Blessman pursued additional specialty training in Internal Medicine from Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids, after which he obtained a Masters in Public Health and Occupational Health training from the University of Washington in Seattle. Since then he has served in many roles to include both the Medical Director for the City of Detroit in Risk Management as well as Medical Officer for the City of Detroit. Occupationally, his interest include employee wellness, and injury prevention. Academically, his interests surround "social fitness" and the attainment of peak performance, through maximized executive functioning for both individuals and organizations.

## **Renaldo DeFrank, LeVasseur and DeFrank Law Firm**

Renaldo DeFrank is a graduate of Michigan State University, (B.A., 1999) and the University of Detroit Mercy (JD 2003), and is a member of the State Bar of Michigan, Workers' Compensation Section, and the Oakland County Bar Association. His practice specializes in workers' compensation law.

## **Maury Ellenberg, MD, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation**

Dr. Maury Ellenberg is a physiatrist in Novi, Michigan and is affiliated with multiple hospitals in the area, including Botsford Hospital and Providence Hospital. He received his medical degree from Wayne State University School of Medicine and has been in practice for 42 years. He is one of 32 doctors at Botsford Hospital and one of 21 at Providence Hospital who specialize in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation.

## **Maryjo R. Gavin, Ph.D., Rehabilitation Psychologist**

Dr. Gavin is originally from Los Angeles, California. She earned her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Georgia in 1988. For many years, she worked in in-patient rehabilitation, assessing and treating individuals with a variety of medical issues, including brain injury, stroke, spinal cord injury and cancer. For the past 23 years, she has focused her work on outpatient chronic pain rehabilitation. She has been with the Sinai-Grace Functional Recovery Program since 2002.

## **Chris E. Stout, Clinical Professor, College of Medicine, University of Illinois at Chicago Vice President, Department of Research and Data Analytics, ATI Physical Therapy**

Dr. Stout is a licensed clinical psychologist and serves as ATI's Vice President of Research and Data Analytics, where he brings a diverse background that's perfectly tailored to moving the company's research agenda forward. He has an impressive track record of publications and presentations, along with entrepreneurial experience in various healthcare enterprises, and FDA approved research studies. He also is a clinical professor at the College of Medicine at the University of Illinois, Chicago, and a Fellow in their School of Public Health; and was a Visiting Professor at Rush University. He was appointed by the Secretary of the US Department of Commerce to the Board of Examiners for the Baldrige National Quality Award. He holds the distinction of being one of only 100 world-wide leaders appointed to the World Economic Forum's Global Leaders of Tomorrow and he was an Invited Faculty at the Annual Meeting in Davos.

Dr. Stout has published or presented over 300 papers and 35 books, including the popular Evidence-Based Practice (Wiley & Sons, 2005, with R. Hayes). His works have been translated into eight languages. He is co-editor of Current Perspectives in Clinical Treatment and Management in Workers' Compensation Cases with Matt Kruger and Jeff Rogers for Bentham Books, and Acquisitions Editor for the Journal of Disability Medicine. He has served as Director of Research and Senior VP of an integrated healthcare system during a 15-year tenure. He was then recruited into Government and worked for five years in the Department of Human Services in a cabinet-level directorship. He also founded a 501(c)(3) to work on international humanitarian projects, and subsequently he has won five international humanitarian awards.

He was educated at Purdue, The University of Chicago's Graduate School of Business, and Forest Institute. He obtained post-doctoral experience at Harvard Medical School as a Fellow in neuro-developmental behavioral pediatrics. He has received four additional doctorates (honoris causa) in clinical psychology, humane letters, humanities, and from the Purdue University School of Engineering, a Doctor of Technology. He was awarded "Distinguished Alumni of the Year from Purdue University" in 1991. Dr. Stout is a Fellow in three Divisions of the American Psychological Association, past-president of the Illinois Psychological Association, and is a Distinguished Practitioner in the National Academies of Practice. He was noted as being "one of the most frequently cited psychologists in the scientific literature" in a study by Hartwick College.

## **Sheila Denman, MA, MS, PT, CEIS - Senior Vice President, ATI Worksite Solutions**

For more than 20 years, Sheila has specialized in all elements of industrial injury prevention and treatment of workers' compensation clientele. She is responsible for consulting, training and instructional materials design services in ergonomics intended to enhance the systems that make up the work environment.

## **Christian Carlson - Vice President, Sales, MedAware Solutions**

Christian is a result-driven Sales Executive with over 20 years of experience spearheading Healthcare Enterprise sales and leadership roles with revenue responsibility up to \$30M+ per year. He has enjoyed a career of success as a Major Account Executive to Vice-President of Sales spanning Start-ups to Fortune 15 companies, while demonstrating his expertise in accelerating customer adoption and building high performing sales teams with a major focus on SaaS enterprise platforms. Christian's experience spans the healthcare continuum including ambulatory, payer and acute care services, offering innovative healthcare enterprise solutions such as EMR, Revenue Cycle, Capital Budgeting, Claims Adjudication, and Operational Workflow technologies. Christian launched his successful career as a graduate of Hampden-Sydney College, while continuing his education at the Guizetta School of Business, Emory University Executive Education Program. Christian lives in Charleston, SC with his wife, three children and two dogs.