

KEYNOTE SPEAKER BIOS:



SHANE KOYCZAN:

Canadian poet and spoken-word artist Shane Koyczan was born in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, to a French mother and a father of First Nations heritage. He grew up in Penticton, British Columbia, with his grandparents and was educated at Okanagan College. Winner of both the individual champion title at the National Poetry Slam and the Canadian Spoken Word Olympics, Koyczan performed his poem "We Are More" at the opening ceremonies for the 2010 Vancouver Olympics. Millions of people have viewed the animated video of his anti-bullying poem, "To This Day," on YouTube, and Koyczan has given a TED Talk on bullying and created a free anti-bullying smartphone application as part of his To This Day Project. For his social justice work, Koyczan received a BC Civil Liberties Award for the Arts.



DR. JOHN LYONS:

John S. Lyons, Ph.D. is the founding Director of the Center for Innovation in Population Health at the University of Kentucky and a Professor of Health Management and Policy in the College of Public Health. After receiving his doctorate in Clinical Psychology and Statistics from the University of Illinois at Chicago, he completed a National Service Award in Mental Health Services Research at the University of Chicago. He spent 24 years at Northwestern University becoming a Professor of Psychiatry and Medicine and the founding Director of the Mental Health Services and Policy Program. After six years as the Endowed Chair of Youth Mental Health at the University of Ottawa, he returned to Chicago as a Senior Policy Fellow at Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago until moving to Lexington in 2019. He has developed the only theory-based approach to outcomes management, Transformational Collaborative Outcomes Management (TCOM) and collaborative assessment tools to support this system management approach, most notably the Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS). In 2023, the CANS and TCOM approach will touch the lives of nearly 90% of all children and adolescents served in child welfare or public behavioral health in the United States. There are implementations on every continent except Antarctica. He has published more than 250 peer reviewed articles and nine books including Redressing the Emperor: Improving our children's public behavioral health system, Communimetrics. A communication theory of measurement in human services, and most recently Transformational Collaborative Outcomes Management (TCOM). Managing the business of personal change.



LEVI HORN:

Levi Horn was born Oct. 2, 1986 to his mother Julia Faye Horn and enrolled Northern Cheyenne. This is also who he accredits to be his inspiration to push through life's obstacles. She was a single mother and raised three kids on her own. Levi says the most important thing his mom instilled in him was the difference from right and wrong.

In high school he got his first chance to play football and found his passion. He believes that without football driving him to make goals and succeed in school he probably would have lost way at that crucial time in life. At the end of high school, he was an All-City and All-State tight end for a losing school. He was the first student in 20 years to make these accomplishments along with a scholarship to University of Oregon.

After a year at University of Oregon he transferred to University of Montana. In Levi's first year he had the opportunity to play after a teammate's injury and capitalized on his chance. At the end of his tenure, he was All-Conference and All-American offensive tackle.

This brought Levi to the attention of Mike Tice of the Chicago Bears. He signed with the Bears as an undrafted free agent where he was on the practice squad and also activated to the 53-man roster. After two years he was signed by the Minnesota Vikings. Levi also played for the CFL with the BC Lions, AFL with the Spokane Shock and LA Kiss, and the New Mexico Stars.

Through his college, professional football career, and post football he has tried to reach as many people to find their spark of divinity and rooting their careers in wellness. Levi works for the Spokane School District where he helps youth involved in addiction Levi has his BA from the U of Montana in Sociologyof Criminology and has received his credentials to be a substance use disorder professional in the state of Washington.



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