

PRISM Virtual Learning Session #7: Innovative Approaches to Mental Health & Substance Use Disorder Care During COVID-19

Speaker biographies



Dr. Gwen Latendresse, PhD CNM FACNM

Dr. Gwen Latendresse is an Associate Professor and Associate Dean for Academic Programs at the University of Utah, College of Nursing. Dr. Latendresse engages in interdisciplinary research on perinatal mental health. She is the PI on two funded research projects, including an NIH/NINR R01 grant, focused on the use of telehealth to deliver interventions designed to improve maternal mental health and access to mental health services for childbearing women in rural, urban, and diverse cultural communities. Dr. Latendresse is the Chair for the Maternal Mental Health Committee for the Utah Women and Newborns Quality Collaborative supported by the Utah Department of Health.



Dr. Rachel Wightman, MD

Rachel S. Wightman, MD is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Emergency Medicine at The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. She is Director of Toxicology Education and serves as faculty in the Division of Medical Toxicology and the Addiction Medicine Fellowship. She completed medical toxicology fellowship and emergency medicine residency at New York University School of Medicine/ Bellevue Hospital Center. She is board certified in medical toxicology and emergency medicine.

Dr. Wightman's primary clinical expertise is in the evaluation and management of drug toxicity syndromes in complex medical patients and enhancing medication safety for high-risk drugs. Her scholarly interests focus on evaluation and tracking of emerging drug trends and treatments for opioid use disorder.