

## Senator Scott Wiener:



**SCOTT WIENER**  
REPRESENTING CALIFORNIA SENATE DISTRICT 11



Senator Scott Wiener represents San Francisco and northern San Mateo County in the California State Senate. Elected in 2016, Senator Wiener focuses extensively on housing, transportation, civil rights, criminal justice reform, clean energy, and alleviating poverty. He chairs the Senate Housing Committee and also chairs the California Legislative LGBTQ Caucus.

Before being elected to the Senate, Senator Wiener served as a member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, representing the district previously represented by Harvey Milk, and chaired the San Francisco County Transportation Authority. Before being elected to office, Senator Wiener practiced law for fifteen years, including nearly a decade as a Deputy City Attorney in the San Francisco City Attorney's Office. He also served in a number of community leadership roles, including co-chair of the San Francisco LGBT Community Center and on the national Board of Directors of the Human Rights Campaign.

Senator Wiener has lived in San Francisco's Castro neighborhood since 1997. He received degrees from Duke University and Harvard Law School and was a Fulbright Scholar in Santiago, Chile.

## Senator Jim Beall:



Senator Jim Beall brings a lifetime of experience and understanding in transportation, housing, and government efficiency to the State Senate. In three decades of public service – first as a San Jose City Councilman, then as a Santa Clara County Supervisor, and legislator in the Assembly -- Beall has left his mark across Silicon Valley and beyond.

Beall is known statewide for his legislation to help foster care children, low-income families, and people with disabilities. He has made a lasting difference in the lives of over 100,000 local youngsters by leading the drive to create the [Children's Health Initiative](#) to ensure that every child in Santa Clara County can be covered by health insurance.

His work on the delivery of mental health services to Californians includes the passage of laws to increase enforcement of mental health parity laws and curb the overmedication of foster care children. In 2015, the Governor signed into law Beall's bill to drastically improve mental health training for peace officers to reduce violent confrontations with people with mental illnesses.

## Bio of Kathy Day



Kathy Day, MPA, currently serves as a caregiver and advocate for a close family member who was diagnosed with schizophrenia in 2010. Kathy is also active in local and national advocacy for families navigating the system of mental healthcare.

In July, 2020, Kathy founded the non-profit, Pro Caregiver Consultants ([www.procaregiverconsultants.org](http://www.procaregiverconsultants.org)). She also helps to manage online support groups for families coping with mental illness like schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, and major depression. Kathy received her MPA from Brandman University in 2017.

## **Rimal B. Bera, MD**

Clinical Professor of Psychiatry  
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Rimal Bera, MD is Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the University of California, Irvine Department of Psychiatry. Dr. Bera earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology from the University of California, Irvine, and a medical degree from the University of California, Irvine in 1987. He completed his psychiatry residency at the University of California, Irvine in 1991. He has been a Full Time Faculty at the University of California, Irvine since 1991. His primary area of specialty is adult psychiatry with a focus on schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, depression and memory disorders.

Dr. Bera is a distinguished fellow of the American Psychiatric Association. He serves as Medical Director for Universal Care Behavioral Health for California and as Medical Director at the John Henry Foundation in Santa Ana, a high-level center for the treatment of Schizophrenia. At the John Henry Foundation, 4<sup>th</sup> year psychiatry residents from the Department of Psychiatry at the University of California, Irvine receive state of the art clinical training. He formally was chairman of the Public Affairs Committee of the Orange County Psychiatric Society from 1991 to 2016. He was been on the Board of Directors of the Mental Health Association of Orange County from 1991 to 2012 and served as a past President of the Board. He is the Past President of the University of California, Irvine School of Medicine Alumni. In 2014 Dr. Bera was the recipient of the Orange County Medical Association Physician of the Year Award. He has regularly been chosen as a Physician of Excellence for orange County since 2012.

Dr. Bera has been a principal investigator and co-investigator in over 180 clinical trials over the last 30 years. Dr. Bera has lectured extensively in the United States, Canada, and Europe about the major mental illnesses and their latest treatments. More recently, over the past 7 years, his interest has evolved into health care policy, looking at models of care that combine high level care for both physical and mental disorders with an emphasis on health outcomes economic research. Today he works regularly with physicians of all specialties helping them incorporate mental health evaluations and treatments into their practices.

## Bio of Dr. Jevon Johnson



Jevon Johnson, MD has been a psychiatrist with the California Department of Corrections since 2014. He has worked at the facilities in Stockton, Lone and currently Sacramento. Dr. Johnson also does consultant work for patients on parole or probation referred through the Federal Bureau of Prisons. Outside of the corrections and parole setting Dr. Johnson also treats patients at an inpatient psychiatric facility in Modesto, as well as providing outpatient services at a community clinic in South Sacramento that targets the Asian/Pacific Islander population.

Dr. Johnson completed his MD at the University of Southern California, Keck School of Medicine in Los Angeles after graduating from Xavier University in New Orleans, LA. He went on to do his residency in psychiatry at UC Davis Medical Center in Sacramento. After completing his residency Dr. Johnson worked with Veterans Affairs and Kaiser Permanente before joining the Department of Corrections. While at Kaiser Permanente Dr. Johnson lead the transition program for patients recently discharged from inpatient facilities. Dr. Johnson's career has focused on providing quality, culturally sensitive care to various underserved populations within settings that emphasize an interdisciplinary approach to mental health treatment.

## Bio of Chief Mack Jenkins



Chief Mack Jenkins career in the justice system spans more than 40 years. He retired as the Chief Probation Officer of the San Diego County Probation department where he oversaw a staff of more than 1300 in an agency that provided supervision and services to more than 13000 adult and 2500 justice involved youth. Chief Jenkins is the former President of the California Chief Probation Officers Association (CPOC) and the former Vice President of the American Probation and Parole Association (APPA). Chief Jenkins is recognized nationally as an expert in evidenced based, and best practices in the community corrections field.

During the course of his career Chief Jenkins has been responsible for the development and implementation of a wide variety of programs designed to support the successful reentry of justice involved populations into the community. He served formerly as a Senior Policy Adviser for the Council of State Governments Justice Center, in that role Chief Jenkins provided consultation to community supervision agencies around the country to assist in the implementation of justice reinvestment strategies and policies to support recidivism reduction. Chief Jenkins continues to serve as a criminal justice consultant working with courts and community supervision agencies throughout the country in the development of programs to support behavior change and reintegration of justice involved.

Chief Jenkins sits as a gubernatorial appointment on California's Council on Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health (CCJBH). As a council member, he supports the council's mission to promote strategies to improve outcomes for justice involved individuals with behavioral health needs, also to advise and make recommendations to the state legislature on the cost effectiveness of existing behavioral health and criminal justice programs. Chief Jenkins is also an appointee of legislature to the Board of Directors for California Prison Industry Authority (CALPIA). CALPIA manages over 100 industries operating with the 35 California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) institutions. The industries employ more than 6000 prison inmates in career technical education programs, manufacturing, agricultural, and consumable and service enterprises.

In addition to work within the state's criminal justice system, Chief Jenkins has served on a number of boards impacting the justice system on a national level, including the National Association of Drug Court Professionals, the Council of State Governments Justice Center, and the National Alliance for Model State Drug Laws.

Chief Jenkins is an adjunct instructor of criminal justice with the Rancho Santiago Community College District in Orange County and holds a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from the University of California at Irvine and a Master of Science degree in criminal justice from California State University at Long Beach.



## Bio of Dr. David Dadiomov



David Dadiomov, PharmD, BCPP, joined the faculty of the Titus Department of Clinical Pharmacy as clinical assistant professor of pharmacy practice.

He came to the USC School of Pharmacy from Miami, Florida, where he served as assistant professor at Larkin University College of Pharmacy, coordinating and teaching courses on the pathophysiology and treatment of various diseases and disorders. He also served as clinical psychiatric specialist at Larkin Community Hospital.

He received his PharmD from the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy. He completed his PGY1 Pharmacy residency at Michigan Medicine, and his PGY2 Psychiatric Pharmacy residency at UCSD Health. He holds board certification in psychiatric pharmacy.

David Dadiomov serves as the clinical coordinator for the Whole Person Care Clinical Pharmacy Program. This collaboration with LA County Department of Health Services, Department of Mental Health, and Correctional Health Services aims to improve the access and quality of care to LA County's most marginalized patients (homeless, re-entry, mental health, substance use, and medical high risk patients).

## **Bio of Dr. Johnathan Porteus**



A Licensed Clinical Psychologist and Addictionologist, Dr. Porteus has extensive experience in health and behavioral health integration, evidence-based practice and clinical research and evaluation. He also has extensive experience in program development, including outpatient, residential, and systems-level interventions (e.g. creation of trauma- informed initial assessment for NY State Office of Mental Health psychiatric facilities). His clinical practice includes addiction and compulsive behavior, trauma practice, integrated behavioral health, primary care, and behavioral health treatment across all levels care. As a trainer, Dr. Porteus has conducted training in Motivational Interviewing, behavioral interventions around compulsive behavior, PTSD, complex trauma, and co-occurring disorders treatment and built the Outpatient Drug Treatment system for the Republic of Vietnam.

Dr. Porteus brings unique perspectives to the understanding of addiction, health care, supply and demand reduction, and our current opioid epidemic. He began his work with WellSpace Health as Clinical Director in 2002. He has been Chief Executive Officer since 1/1/11 and has received accolades for his systems integration work bringing a 'blanket of care' comprised of a network of Federally Qualified Community Health Centers to a region with a historically tattered 'safety net.' In his tenure as CEO, Dr. Porteus has overseen a ten-fold expansion of the patient population (5,000-70,000 persons served in the FQHC CHCs) across multiple regional Health Centers.



### **Vimal Bhanvadia:**



Mr. Vimal Bhanvadia has a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Southern California and a Bachelors of Administration in Economics and History from the University of California, Los Angeles. Over the last decade, Mr. Bhanvadia has successfully developed nonprofit and for-profit ground up projects in healthcare, transitional care, specialty and retail pharmacies within the United States and Internationally. Under his leadership, he has led Advantage HealthCare Services to be positioned as one of California's premiere, outcomes driven, value-based pharmacy healthcare solutions. Notably, he has worked alongside state and county leaders to co-developed a public/private partnership with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to improve medication access and adherence for probationers and parolees.

Driven by his passion for helping his community, Mr. Bhanvadia has utilized his platform at Advantage Healthcare Services to help the forensic, SPMI, and transient populations. It is his deep rooted belief that it is the responsibility of the collective to level the playing field to ensure that "forgotten populations" get access to care with the hope that it allows them to become contributing members to the community at large. With that guiding principle, Vimal Bhanvadia and the team at Advantage Healthcare Services endeavors to co-create solutions to establish unique and innovative programs resulting in equal access to care.

### **Adrienne Lee:**



Adrienne Lee is a graduate of the University of California, Irvine with a Bachelors of Science in Public Health Science and a Bachelors of Administration in Public Health Policy. Upon graduation, she joined the Advantage Healthcare Services team where she utilized her interest in public health models to develop a team to initiate pharmacist-led clinical models that directly address socioeconomic barriers to care. Working with her team at Advantage Healthcare Services, she has instilled a deep seeded commitment to the SPMI population and has been able to develop multiple solutions to address care impasses for thousands of SPMI lives.