



# THE COORDINATING CENTER

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## INSPIRED SOLUTIONS

### THE CENTER LINE

June 2017

#### BOARD SPOTLIGHT

The Coordinating Center would like to congratulate two of its board members on their recent professional accomplishments.



[Sally S. Hebner](#) was named chief financial officer (CFO) for the Enterprise Community Partners Inc. in

April. Ms. Hebner has been a Coordinating Center board member since 2015 and currently serves as the board of director's Treasurer.



Earlier this month, board member [Vanessa Briggs](#) was named the new President and Chief

Executive Officer (CEO) of The Brandywine Health Foundation in Philadelphia. Ms. Briggs has been on The Center's board since 2016.

#### AN ARTIST CONTINUES TO SEE COLOR

#### LEADING THE WAY WITH YOUTH WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS

Johns Hopkins University Division of Pediatrics and Adolescents seeks out The Coordinating Center for its expertise in providing care coordination services and health care transition (HCT) services for children and youth with special health care needs. Over the past year, Dr. Kathy Rivers, Director, Transition Connection Initiative for The



Coordinating Center has served on the J-TraIN Advisory Board (Johns Hopkins Transition Independence Network), working with Hopkins to implement Project ECHO (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) for provider education about HCT for youth with special healthcare needs. The ECHO model™ is a collaborative approach to medical education and care management that provides front-line clinicians with the knowledge and support they need to manage patients with complex conditions living in rural and underserved areas throughout Maryland.

The Coordinating Center is an active J-TraIN partner, providing best practices on provider outreach, health care transition, and disability issues, as well as resources to address social determinants that may impact access



It has been 28 years since Christine has seen colors. However, one would never know looking at her abstract paintings that are filled with a variety of colors-sometimes strong and vibrant, other times soft and warm or dark and cool.

Christine fell in love with art in the seventh grade, said her mom, Theresa. Christine wanted to share her love of art with others and decided to study art education at Frederick Community College and then Towson University. During the spring semester of 1989, her senior year of college, Christine suffered her second brain hemorrhage.

[READ MORE OF CHRISTINE'S STORY](#)

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Looking for a way to honor or remember a family member or friend? You can do so by making a donation to the Family Resource Fund. Select the type of tribute, include a message

to healthcare. Here at The Center, our Coordinators support 4,000 individuals with complex medical needs on the Rare and Expensive Case Management Program, 75% of whom are children and youth. As part of our commitment to maximizing independence and achieving optimal health, The Center's Transition Connection Initiative (TCI) is implementing best practices to successfully achieve health care transition. TCI seeks to mobilize the adult health care provider community to support health care transition by expanding their practice to include young adults with special health care needs. Over the past year, The Center has engaged over 100 providers who have participated in the J-TraIN symposiums on best practices in health care transition, and the HCT ECHO teleconferences. Moving forward J-TraIN hopes to expand its outreach by serving more providers and the local health departments across the state of Maryland.

**CALLING ALL SPONSORS**



We are currently seeking sponsors for:  
**3rd Annual CenterFlix Fundraiser**  
**Thursday, May 10, 2018; 6-9 p.m.**  
**American Visionary Art Museum**

*Cocktail Reception*  
*Silent Auction/Raffle*

Join us as we celebrate 35 years of abilities and the individuals and families we are privileged to serve. Proceeds benefit The Center's Family Resource Fund. This fund supports children and adults with disabilities and complex needs by providing critical financial assistance when they need it most. CenterFlix features short films that celebrate the accomplishments of people with disabilities.

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