



Susan K. Flinn, MA

Susan K. Flinn has worked in public health and public policy since 1989. Since 1998, she has provided public health and public policy consulting services for public health organizations, progressive non-profits, and State and Federal governmental agencies.

Non-profit clients include the American Academy of Pediatrics; the National Center on Health, Behavioral Health, and Safety; the Alliance of Dedicated Cancer Centers; National Black Women's Reproductive Justice Agenda: In Our Own Voice; the Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice; and the National Women's Health Network. Her Federal government clients include the numerous Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) agencies, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Administration for Children and Families, the Division of Transplantation, the Maternal and Child Health Bureau, and the Office on Women's Health.

Prior to forming her own company, Ms. Flinn worked on a variety of public health and social change issues. She was the Legislative Affairs Director and State Policy Director for Advocates for Youth; the State Organizer for Maryland NARAL; and a Research Associate for a National Institutes of Mental Health (NIMH) project exploring the biological impacts of sexual abuse.

She has served on the Board of Directors for the Bryn Mawr College Alumnae Association, the Lantern Bookshop; Metro TeenAIDS; and the National Assembly on School-Based Health Care (NASBHC), among others.

Ms. Flinn holds a Master's degree in Women's Studies & Public Policy from the George Washington University and a B.A. in Urban & Art History from Bryn Mawr College.

Material Production: Writing & Editing

Ms. Flinn writes and edits public health materials for readers of all backgrounds. Past and current projects include:

- Providing writing services for the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), including drafting, editing, and coordinating content for clinical practice guidelines, technical reports, policy statements, and other publications about issues of concern to pediatricians and parents.
- Coordinating production, editing content, and drafting articles for the National Women's Health Network bi-monthly newsletter, *The Women's Health Activist*.
- Revising and updating content for an e-book on sleep disorders, for the National Sleep Foundation.
- Researching and writing state fact sheets and voters guides, and editing policy briefs on Reproductive Justice, for National Black Women's Reproductive Justice Agenda: In Our Own Voice.
- Drafting meeting proceedings for U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) agency meetings, including the Division of Transplantation's Advisory Committee on Organ Transplantation (ACOT) and Advisory Committee on Blood and Stem Cell Transplantation (ACBSCT), and the Office on Women's Health's (OWH) Comprehensive Integrated Approaches to Promoting Healthy Weight in Women program.
- Editing the compilation, *Speaking of Hillary: A Readers' Guide to the Most Controversial Woman in America* (White Cloud Press, 2000).

Project Management

Ms. Flinn provides management staffing for her clients' short- and long-term organizational activities. Past and current projects include:

- Assisting the American Academy of Pediatrics to identify specific Federal policy and regulatory recommendations for the 45th President, in order to promote the health of children, their families, and their communities.
- Overseeing development activities including prospecting potential foundations; drafting and editing proposals and funding reports; and coordinating donor appeals. Clients include the Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice (RCRC); Empowerment Self Defense Global, Inc (ESDG); Metro TeenAIDS; the Gay & Lesbian Victory Institute; and Capitol Hill Village.
- Helping the Alliance of Dedicated Cancer Centers (ADCC) identify and analyze potential quality measures for End-of-Life Care, in order to assist Federal quality improvement efforts.
- Researching variations in Fiscal Intermediary coverage of 25 cancer drugs between various states, for the MD Anderson Cancer Center (MDACC) and Nimitt Consulting, Inc.
- Researching and compiling Washington-area resources, services, and supports for seniors and their caregivers, for Iona Senior Services' *Resource Guide*.

Meeting Management

Ms. Flinn plans meeting agendas, objectives, and content; coordinates event logistics; staffs client meetings; and drafts meeting proceeding reports. Past and current projects include:

- Managing the National Center on Health, Behavioral Health, and Safety's "Health and Mental Health Leaders' Institute" (HMHLI) meetings for Head Start and Early Head Start grantees, including transitioning the 2021 event from in-person to a 2500-attendee virtual event.
- Providing logistical and meeting support for the American Academy of Pediatrics. Projects include: Regional Opioid Crisis Prevention meetings; Growing Up Digital: Media Research Symposium; Symposium on Child Health, Resilience & ToxicStress; Rural IMPACT Demonstration Communities Peer Learning Institutes; Visions of Pediatrics 2020; and others.
- Coordinating twice-yearly meetings of the Provider Roundtable (PRT), a nationwide group of hospital financial and compliance officers who provide comments to the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services' (CMS) on national reimbursement systems.
- Providing staff support for Federal meetings, including events held by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB), the HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB), and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
- Staffing grant reviews held by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Division of Independent Review, including Review Administrator, Summary Statement Operator (SSO), and post-review summary statement editor.

Education

- George Washington University 1991
Masters of Arts: Public Policy & Women's Studies.
- Bryn Mawr College 1986
Bachelor of Arts: The Growth & Structure of Cities.

Boards of Directors

- The Lantern Bookstore, Washington DC 2016—Present
President of a non-profit used and rare bookstore that raises scholarship funds for Bryn Mawr College students.
- Alumnae Association Executive Board, Bryn Mawr PA 2018—2021
Served on the Alumnae Association Executive Board, representing Clubs and Regional groups to Bryn Mawr College's alumnae advisory board.
- Bryn Mawr Club of Washington, Washington DC 2012—2016
Co-President of the networking group for local Bryn Mawr College alumnae. Previous officer positions include Membership Chair, newsletter editor, and Treasurer.
- DC Metro Celiac Organization, Washington DC 2006—2011
Served as President and Treasurer for the local support group for individuals and families coping with Celiac Disease and gluten intolerance.
- Bryn Mawr College Alumnae Association, Bryn Mawr PA 2008—2011
Served on the Nominating Committee, to identify and vet alumnae volunteers to serve on the College's Association Board.
- National Assembly on School-Based Health Care, Washington DC 1997—1999
Served as Advocacy Committee Chair for a national non-profit dedicated to promoting accessible school-based primary health and mental care for children and youth.
- Metro TeenAIDS, Washington DC 1993—2003
Served as President, Vice President, Secretary, and Special Events Chair for a local adolescent HIV prevention and youth-development organization.

Previous Experience

- Advocates for Youth, Washington DC 1991—1998
National non-profit that promotes efforts to help young people make informed and responsible decisions about reproductive and sexual health. Served as Director of Legislative Affairs, State Policy Director, and Public Policy Associate.
- American Association of University Women, Washington DC 1990—1991
Public Policy Associate for a national non-profit organization promoting education and equity for women and girls.
- Maryland NARAL (National Abortion Rights Action League)
Pro-Choice Maryland, Silver Spring MD 1989—1990
State Organizer for MD affiliate working to guarantee every woman the right to choose.
- National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), Bethesda MD 1987—1989
Research Assistant on a Federally-funded research project on the physical and biological impacts of child sexual abuse.