

BIOS of the TreatNOW Coalition TEAM

Hon Martin R. Hoffmann (R.I.P.), Sec of the Army, 1975-1977

Mr. Hoffmann graduated from Princeton University and the University of Virginia Law School. He served the U.S Government as General Counsel to the Atomic Energy Commission; as Special Assistant to the Secretary and the Deputy Secretary of Defense; as General Counsel to the Department of Defense; and as Secretary of the U.S. Army [under President Ford]. He served and managed a number of Law Firms, and served on a number of corporate boards. He served for six years full-time as a Pro Bono Consultant to the TreatNOW Coalition for the Cause of Brain Injured (TBI/PTSD) Military and Military Veteran casualties. Secretary Hoffmann passed away on July 14, 2014. His passion and ethical compass kept him focused until the end on the well-being of Service members.

The Honorable Patt Maney, BG, USAR (ret.)

Judge Maney is a War Veteran who was wounded by an IED while serving in OEF. After 15 months convalescing in Walter Reed, he was showing little progress. Heroic interventions allowed GEN Maney to be treated in a private hospital with HBOT 1.5. He is now back serving as an elected Judge in Okaloosa County, FL where he has helped institute Veterans Courts. He was recently named Patriot of the Year by the Military Order of the Purple Heart for his volunteer work on behalf of veterans and his contributions to the community.

Daphne Denham, MD

Dr. Denham is a board-certified general surgeon who became interested in wound care and hyperbaric medicine when her sixth child was young. Watching her children in their various sports and knowing the timing and cascade of concussive injury, while seeing what hyperbaric oxygen does for swelling, inflammation and tissue damage, she took an aggressive approach. Since 2015 she has been TREATing concussions. In Summer 2018 she expanded her Northbrook, IL based clinic to Fargo, ND because she was given an opportunity to provide greater objective data demonstrating how well her protocol works. Through her clinics, Healing with Hyperbarics, she hopes to change the dialogue for concussions from "symptom management" to "treatment."

James K. Wright, MD Colonel USAF, (ret.)

Dr. Wright graduated from the University of Chicago and the University of Chicago Medical School. He completed medical fellowships at Harvard Medical School and in Hyperbaric Medicine at Brooks Air Force Base, Texas. He is board certified in Surgery, Plastic Surgery, Hand Surgery, and Undersea and Hyperbaric Medicine. He spent 28 years in the Air Force and directed hyperbaric clinical research at the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine for four years before moving to the 720th Special Tactics Group, Air Force Special Operations Command. Since retiring from the Air Force in 2010 Dr. Wright has devoted his volunteer efforts to the NBIRR project. He is the author or co-author of 32 publications of which twelve deal with hyperbaric oxygen. He is currently the lead investigator and Study Director of the observational Clinical Trial of the National Brain Injury Rescue and Rehabilitation (NBIRR) study of Hyperbaric Oxygen for the International Hyperbaric Medical Foundation.

Dr. Eddie Zant, MD

Dr. Eddie Zant M.D. is the founder and medical director of Hyperbaric Medicine, Inc in the Florida panhandle. Dr. Zant is American Board Certified in both Anesthesiology & Hyperbaric Medicine. Dr. Zant has been in the practice of Medicine for the past 30+ years. His MD is from the Medical College of Georgia. He served as a U.S. Army Medical Officer during the Vietnam era. He has donated countless treatments to veterans and has had astonishing success allowing wounded warriors to heal with HBOT and continue their careers.

Robert Mozayeni, MD, Director, Translational Medicine Group

Dr. Mozayeni is a graduate of the Leadership in Medicine 6-yr program at Union College and Albany Medical School. He did his post graduate medical training in Internal Medicine and Rheumatology at Yale University. He was a Senior Staff Fellow in the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute while simultaneously holding a clinical appointment as the Rheumatology Fellow in the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal Diseases. He was also on the medical staff at the NIH Clinical Center during the same time period. He presently serves as Director and VP of Translational Medicine for the International Hyperbaric Medical Foundation. His current practice also includes Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy for Traumatic Brain Injury.

Paul G. Harch, MD

Dr. Harch is the Director, LSUHSC/Medical Center of Louisiana, New Orleans Hyperbaric Medicine and Wound Care Department. A graduate of the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Dr. Harch is a hyperbaric medicine, diving, and emergency medicine physician who is a Diplomat of the American Board of Hyperbaric Medicine and the Board of Certification in Emergency Medicine of the American Board of Physician Specialties. In recognition of his accomplishments in clinical practice, teaching, and research he was awarded fellowship status in the American College of Hyperbaric Medicine in 1997. He also received the Edgar End Award from the American College of Hyperbaric Medicine in 1994 and the Richard A. Neubauer Award for Excellence in Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy in Pediatric Neurology in 2003. Dr. Harch is the first President of the International Hyperbaric Medical Association (established in 2001) and President of the International Hyperbaric Medical Foundation. He has lectured and presented his work at numerous scientific meetings throughout the U.S. and overseas.

Dr. Carol Henricks, MD

Dr. Henricks graduated from Medical School in 1991 and completed Internship, Neurology Residency and Chief Residency at Hahnemann University Hospital. Following a Fellowship at the University of Michigan/Ann Arbor in Clinical Neurophysiology (with training in EEG, Epilepsy, Sleep Disorders and intra – operative monitoring), she completed a second Fellowship at the University of Arizona in Behavioral Neurology and Memory Disorders. In private practice in Tucson since 1999, Dr. Henricks has developed expertise in Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy and focuses her practice on TBI and complex neurological recovery programs with a comprehensive approach to patient care.

Samuel Shor, MD, FACP

Medical Director, Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy of Northern Virginia. Associate Clinical Professor, George Washington University Health Care Sciences. Dr. Shor cultivated his interest in managing chronic fatigue and associated conditions such as fibromyalgia and ultimately chronic Lyme disease. Chair, Loudoun County Lyme commission. 2015-2017, President of the International Lyme and Associated Diseases Society. Expert in the management of Traumatic Brain Injury with particular attention to persisting PCS (Post-Concussion Syndrome) symptoms.

Ben Richards, Major, US Army, (ret.)

Major Ben Richards is a West Point graduate and a Wounded Warrior with numerous decorations, one of which is a Purple Heart for TBI/PTSD. After years of being told he had only PTSD, and that he would not recover from a delayed diagnosis of TBI, his life began again following HBOT treatment. He is finishing a PhD program and lectures widely on the need to TreatNOW. He is President of Hyperbaric Medicine International.

Tom Fox, MAS, MS, CHT

Thomas Fox is the staff physiologist with Centre Hyperbare de L'Île in Pincourt Qc. His last assignment in the United States Army was as the chief of the Atmospheric Branch of the United States School of Aviation Medicine responsible for investigations, instruction and training of hyper/hypobaric environment. Fox is a graduate of United States Army Command and General Staff School and an aeromedical evacuation pilot with 10 years experience. Since leaving the service in 1994, Fox's work experience has been in a number of positions in which he has performed as the technical director for hospitals as the hyperbaric service provider in the critical care setting.

Charles T. Ellis, M.D.

Dr. Ellis graduated from the University of Utah School of Medicine and completed his residency in psychiatry at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. He also completed a fellowship in transcultural psychiatry at the University of Oklahoma and is board certified in Addiction Medicine. He is a specialist in traumatic brain injuries (TBIs) and has worked extensively throughout his career with patients suffering from TBIs, especially veterans, which led him to become interested in hyperbaric medicine and its healing qualities for the brain. An award-winning physician, recognized by not only the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) but also Indian Health Services (IHS), the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), and other organizations for his community contributions while in practice, Dr. Ellis is a strong advocate of the utilization of hyperbaric medicine for those suffering mental or physical distress.

Linde R. Hoff, CBHT

Behavioral Health professional and avid cook, Ms. Hoff is the author of the acclaimed cookbook *Eating Your Way to Better Mental Health*. Released in the autumn of 2018, this book was presented at the nation's largest psychological conference, Psych Congress, in Orlando, Florida. It combines recipes with the important nutritional information about how and why certain foods are necessary in potentially preventing and/or healing certain mental disorders. (More information can be found at www.EatingYourWaytoBetterMentalHealth.com.) Ms. Hoff has worked in both psychiatric hospital and clinic settings, where she has seen firsthand the effects of PTSD and TBIs. Having done extensive research and traveling to HBOT clinics to see results, Linde is a firm believer a combination of improved diet and hyperbaric treatment could be the preferred treatment plan for those in need.

James L. Bauerle, Brigadier General, US Army, (ret.)

General Bauerle served for over 32 years and is a Vietnam and Desert Storm Veteran with numerous decorations. Additionally, he worked in various management positions in the computer and telephone industry. Today he is the VP and Legislative Director for The Military/Veterans Coalition of Indiana which is an advocacy coalition of over 75 organizations in Indiana. General Bauerle led the team to get legislation enacted and \$1 MILLION funding from the state for the Indiana Veteran Recovery Pilot Program which treats veterans across Indiana who suffer from TBI, PTSD, or PCS. General Bauerle holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Graduate work in Operations Management & Leadership.

William Duncan, Ph.D., Director of Patriot Clinic, OK

Dr. William A. Duncan, a former Army officer, serves as President of Capitol Strategy Consultants, Inc., where he represents clients on healthcare, biomedical research, veterans, Department of Defense, and criminal justice and public health arenas. His clients benefit from his extensive background in the congressional appropriations process and health care regulations. In

the medical realm, Dr. Duncan supervised numerous legislative priorities including National Institutes of Health reforms for setting research priorities, expansion on biomedical research infrastructure, AHRQ and evidence-based medicine initiatives, NIH and CDC initiatives in environmental medicine, amputee services, and addressing chronic disease including diabetes and public health. He dealt with Centers for Medicare & Medicaid services problems, including getting CMS to approve a new indication for hyperbaric oxygen to reduce diabetic foot amputations, reducing the regulatory burden on health care, prescription drug, and FDA issues.

Stephen D. Reimers, P.E.

Mr. Reimers is an MIT-trained Professional Engineer. He is a former member of a Navy Experimental Diving Unit with an extensive background in breathing and compression technologies. He has 37 years experience as President/Owner of Reimers Consultants, Reimers Engineering, Inc., Reimers Systems, Inc., and Hyperbaric Clearinghouse, Inc. and has been responsible for the design of over \$40,000,000 of currently installed clinical hyperbaric facilities. He is the current Chair of the prestigious PRESSURE VESSELS FOR HUMAN OCCUPANCY (PVHO) and Secretary/Treasurer of the sponsor of NBIRR, the International Hyperbaric Medical Foundation.

Robert Schmidt, Chairman/CEO, Great American Broadband, Inc.; and Executive Director, Pro Football Retired Players Assc.

Mr. Schmidt has over 30 years of experience in the communications industry and has become a nationally recognized leader in new telecommunications technology development. He has served in Senior Management with distinction in public and private companies including: ITT, CTM, CMI, National Cable Telecommunications Association (NCTA), Wireless Communication Association International (WCAI), and National Digital Network.

Mr. Schmidt maintains significant contacts with key leaders in the cable television and related telecommunications industry, most notable as Founder and President of the American Teleport Association (ATA); Charter board member of the World Teleport Association, Co-Founder and Board Member of Cable Satellite Public Affairs network (C-SPAN) and recipient of the President's Award from the NCTA. Mr. Schmidt is the Founder and Chairman of the Vincent T. Lombardi Foundation and past President of the Washington, D.C. chapter of the National Football Foundation and the Hall of Fame. Mr. Schmidt is also the Executive Director of the Pro Football Retired Players Association, and is deeply involved in the effort to get healing treatments to ballplayers and veterans suffering from TBI and the effects of concussions. Mr. Schmidt attended the University of Notre Dame, holds a B.S. in Business Administration from the University of Southern California and a M.S. in International Business from American University and a J.D. from Georgetown University School of law.

Michael BEAR Clair, Prof. Musician, former Wrestler

Michael Bear Clair is a former Professional wrestler and Nashville Session player and lifelong touring musician. He spent his teen years and adult life playing music for a living and playing with some of the biggest stars in the music industry including Steve Miller, Keb Mo, Hal Ketchum, The Grand Ole Opry with many of the top Country Recording artists. His foray into pro Wrestling in the 1980s led to Bear as he is known, to have over 100 concussions in the squared circle, multiple injuries including 6 spine fractures, both arms broken, femurs broken and more. In the early 2000s he noticed his memory starting to go. By 2013 he was entering the early stages of dementia and began seeking treatment. 2015 he was diagnosed with Post Concussive Syndrome with possible CTE. He asked the doctor at the Mayo Clinic what he would do if the roles were reversed. The doctor told him about HBOT and the course to treatment was set with Doctor Edwin Zant in Florida. Bear at that point was unable to walk unassisted and was taking 20 pills a day to deal with severe tremors in his left hand and head. He was no longer able to play music

and was in a wheel chair when he left for his treatment in Florida. After doing his dives with Doc Zant, he made a full recovery from his brain injuries and has been playing music since he was treated. October 13th 2018 he was inducted into the Midwest Music Alliance Rock Hall of Fame for his work in the Music Industry. He continues to work with Treatnow.org and has help facilitate treatment for many veterans in need. He currently resides in Mount Auburn Iowa.

Adam Heitke, MBA/MS-IT, Lead, Information Technology

Adam Heitke has over 15 years of experience designing, developing, and deploying highly secure enterprise DoD software systems and HIPAA-compliant healthcare information management systems. He is head of the information technology system available to Coalition clinics for data collection, storage, analysis and reporting.

Eric W. Koleda, Founder and Director, Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatment for Kentucky Veterans

Eric W. Koleda. BS and MBA degrees, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. US Air Force Vietnam Veteran. Thirty-five plus years in the airline industry retiring from UPS Airline in 2013. Founder and President of Advance Aviation, LLC, an aviation consulting business. Director and Founder of HBOT4KYVETS. Co-coordinated **KY HB64**, The Colonel Ron Ray Traumatic Brain Injury and Treatment Act passage in KY legislature in 2018. Eric is the National Director of TreatNOW Coalition State Legislative efforts, working on KY, state and national legislative and organizing efforts to progress the VA acceptance of HBOT as standard of care benefit for all veterans.

James S. Hooker (CDR, USN, ret.)

Operating out of North Carolina, Jim is a specialist in government financial management and systems acquisition. Since 2007 Mr. Hooker has been focused on supporting combat veteran families returning home. In early 2010 Mr. Hooker cofounded and served as the COO of a foundation with a mission to support transition of Wounded In Action (WIA) military families into the civilian community. Mr. Hooker has prepared a detailed legislative strategy and plan to provide effective treatment for veterans with TBI/PTSD for veterans in the State of NC and nationwide.

Robert L. Beckman, Ph.D., Chief Knowledge Officer, Foundation for the Study of Inflammatory Disease

Dr. Beckman has been building knowledge management systems most of his professional career, primarily in the Intelligence Community and DOD. He is currently helping to run the Clinical Trial researching TBI and PTSD in brain-injured wounded warriors. He is responsible for sustaining the national network of hyperbaric clinics as well as improving the technology platform for data collection and analysis. He is a former USAF KC-135 pilot and a Vietnam Veteran.

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