



**ALISON MILLER, DO**  
PANELIST

Alison Miller, DO is a Board-Certified Family and Addiction Medicine physician. She works as a primary care doctor at UW Health, Yahara in Monona, Wisconsin. I am particularly interested in helping patients with alcohol or other substance use disorder receive treatment in the primary care office. She also is the primary investigator for Wisconsin Voices for Recovery, a state run peer movement uniting people that are in and seeking recovery.



**SELAHATTIN  
KURTER, MD**  
PANELIST

Dr. Kurter is one of Milwaukee's leading experts in the field of Addiction Medicine. He carries a dual board certification in Addiction Medicine as well as Psychiatry and Neurology.

During his residency at the Medical College of Wisconsin, he was appointed to the prestigious position of Chief Resident. Dr. Kurter continues to hold a position as an Associate Clinical Professor for the Medical College of Wisconsin, as well as Executive Counsel Member of the Wisconsin Psychiatric Association. His expertise in treating Opiate Dependence with the medication Suboxone, or Buprenorphine, has led other physicians to seek him out for training in best practice procedures for prescribing this medication. Dr. Kurter also has vast experience in treating pregnant mothers who are addicted to opiates, including heroin. He has overseen the care of more than 40 women suffering with addiction to opiates, throughout pregnancy and delivery.

Keeping an eye for the tried and true proven techniques while implementing new and innovative techniques to improve outcomes for his patients positions Dr. Kurter at the front edge of addiction treatment in the Milwaukee area. He is available to speak on the topic of Opiate Addiction and its links to underlying mental health issues, or co-occurring disorders. He brings a deeper understanding of the chemical composition of the addicted brain and the necessary steps to bring wholeness and sobriety into the patient's life. He is also able to address common concerns and misconceptions surrounding the role of medication management in the treatment of substance abuse. As a native of Milwaukee, Dr. Kurter is passionate about introducing his knowledge of the medical aspects of addiction to the discussion of the heroin epidemic plaguing our area.



**BRIAN LOCHEN, MD**  
PANELIST

Dr. Lochen is Board Certified by the American Board of Addiction Medicine and the American Board of Family Medicine. He served for many years on the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Society of Addiction Medicine as Treasurer and Board Member at Large. He is one of the 10 original founders of the Wisconsin Society of Addiction Medicine. For over 40 years, he has been Medical Director of the addiction and mental health treatment program Tellurian in Madison. He has also provided addiction consulting and oversight to a number of other programs over the years.



**DAVID GALBIS-REIG,  
M.D., DFASAM**  
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David Galbis-Reig, M.D., DFASAM, received his Doctor of Medicine degree from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia in 1999 and completed a residency in Internal Medicine at Aurora Sinai Medical Center in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 2004. He is board certified in Internal Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine and in the sub-specialty of Addiction Medicine by the American Board of Preventive Medicine. He is currently the Medical Director of Addiction Services at Ascension Wisconsin – All Saints. He is also the current President of the Wisconsin Society of Addiction Medicine. He led the charge for WISAM to partner with DHS to provide 22 buprenorphine trainings throughout Wisconsin in 2020 and 2021 that have added over 800 new buprenorphine-waived physicians to treat opioid use disorders in the state. He is an active member of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) where he serves as the Chair of the Distinguished Fellows Committee and is the Chair of BEST Study Tool Subcommittee. He has contributed to policy decisions in the state as a member of the Wisconsin Marijuana Prevention Ad-Hoc Committee of the State Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (SCAODA). He is also an active member of the Wisconsin Medical Society and the VP-MD of the Wisconsin Medical Society Foundation.



**ANDREW TAYLOR  
PUTNEY, M.D.**  
PANELIST

**EDUCATION/TRAINING**

- BA, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 1978
- MD, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, MA 1987
- Forbes Family Medicine Residency, Pittsburgh, PA 1987 – 1990

**BOARD CERTIFICATION/LICENSING/MEMBERSHIPS**

- American Board of Preventive Medicine/Addiction Medicine, 2020 - 2030
- American Board of Family Practice, 1990 – 2019
- Licensed in state of WI (formerly MA and PA)
- DEA and Suboxone “X” numbers current
- Fellow of The American Society of Addiction Medicine

**EMPLOYMENT**

- Psychological Addiction Services, Madison WI July 2020 to present
- Medical Director for clinic.
- Provide care for OTP clients treated with methadone or buprenorphine.
- Responsibilities include admissions, dose adjustment, case management, coordinating care of addictions counselors and nurses, as well as coordination of medical care with outside providers.
- Train UW Addiction Psychiatry and Addiction Medicine Fellows who rotate on-site.



**RITU BHATNAGAR,  
M.D., M.P.H., FASAM**  
MODERATOR

Dr. Ritu Bhatnagar graduated from the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine, and completed post-graduate training at the University of Wisconsin Department of Psychiatry. She is board certified in Psychiatry and Addiction Psychiatry. She has been supervising and training addiction psychiatry fellows as a Clinical Adjunct Professor at the University of Wisconsin Department of Psychiatry. She continues in her role as Medical Co-Director at UnityPoint Health/Meriter NewStart since 2013.