

Public Affairs Programming Topics for Quarter 4 2021

October 3rd, 2021

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline's Sherri Sinwelski. She is the Depute Director of NSPL and VP of National Networks "Vibrant Emotional Health." She tells us how suicide is the second leading cause of death among young people. She says that while it is too soon to tell if the pandemic has caused increased Suicide, the signs are there that indicate it should be a concern.

Chief Marketing officer for Goodwill Onnie Crawley says that while digital technologies are transforming jobs and the way people work, some people are being left behind, especially among low skill workers, many of which are among marginalized populations.

October 10th, 2021

Dr. Elon Schapiro, the Doctor who is responsible for the creation of the "Buy National" public health programs for in both America and Mexico to talk about how the Hispanic communities are dealing with the pandemic. He says we must now vaccinate the community with truth and empower with facts to make sure everyone in the Hispanic community gets vaccinated against Covid-19.

Rev Mark L. Hutchens Founder and chairmen of and Chairmen of Movement forward Inc and lead organizer of the National Faith in Blue Weekend as well as NY Police commissioner **Dermot Shea** Come together to talk about the importance of bringing disenfranchised communities and law enforcement together to end police brutality, and build outreach programs to all.

October 17th, 2021

Jimmy Carter, one of the original members of the "Blind Boys of Alabama" joins JT to talk about his Music career which spans the last 8 decades. He premieres his latest album and shares some of the stories behind the music

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Alabama has some of the highest rates of both diagnosis and death in the country. That's why singer and actress **Mary J. Blige** joins John Mountz to talk about why the battle so personal to her and what people can do protect themselves and support people around them who may be affected by Breast Cancer.

October 24th, 2021

Ken Seely an expert and advisor on the Emmy award winning A&E Series “Intervention.” He seeks to educate people worldwide on the suffering of people struggling with addiction and the lives of the others who they touch.

Dr Mintaka Octur, an Emergency room doctor at the university of Phoenix shares his observations on what its like handing Covid-19 emergencies in hospitals around the country. He encourages everyone to wear masks and to get the vaccine. He is concerned that the Delta Serge shows that is pandemic is hear to stay and why we must remain vigilant in our fight to eradicate the spread of the virus.

October 31st, 2021

Chief Scientific officer with the Breast Cancer Research Foundation **Dr. Dorea EI-Ashry** joins us to talk about the latest research and why funding is still needed. Learn more at BCRF.org

Then the medical director for banner health in Phoenix, **Dr. Pusha Shah** an OBGYN to address common questions surrounding pregnancy, breastfeeding and other maternity issues surrounding the Pandemic.

November 7th, 2021

Dr. Kenneth Alexander Chief of Infectious Dresses at Nemours Children’s Hospital in Orlando Florida joins us to talk about the importance of Children 5-11 to also receive the Vaccination for the Corona Virus.

With Veterans day happening last Thursday we talk with **Mathew Miller**, a US Airforce Vet and national Director at the Department of Veteran Affairs suicide prevention initiative who talks about a new add campaign to drive awareness of Mental health issues many of our Veterans have as they return home, along with **Heidi Arthur** the Chief Campaign development officer at the Ad Council. They explain the new round of public service announcements that are soon to be released to drive awareness and prevention of suicide in veterans.

November 14th, 2021

With the holidays on the way, we spend time highlighting the incredible work being done nationally by the children’s Miracle network, with the ambassador for CMN with **Terri Nestel** President and CEO. We also talk with the mother of a child treated at a Children’s hospital. More info at www.cmnhospitals.org

Also Ava Paige the mother of a child treated by the CMN explains how they not only cared for her child but for their whole family as they worked their way through her child's ordeal.

November 21st, 2021

Coleen Tresler consumer education specialist with the FTC's division of Financial Practices., **Heather Allen** Assistant director with the FTC's Division of Consumer practices and **Abby Stemson** Director of the National attorney Generals division of consumer protections join us to talk about what sort of things listeners need to be on the look out for as we go into the Christmas season to keep from being a victim of predatory business practices or Identity theft.

November 28th, 2021

Fox News's **Brian Kilmeade** joins us to talk about his new Book "Abraham Lincoln, Fredrick Douglas and the Battle to Save America's Soul." He talks about the important roll Douglas played in the Reconstruction of the south and in particular Alabama.

Nina Ford-Jonson a Mobile Pediatrician addresses issues surrounding the Corona Virus In Alabama, including child vaccination and the hesitancy of members of the Black community to receive the vaccination.

Alabama Senator **Tommy Tuberville** Explains his opposition the president's Build Back Better plan as it passes out of the House and into the Senate for final approval.

December 5th, 2021

The Cleveland Clinic's **Dr. Steven Gordon**, Chair of the department of infectious disease, gives us the latest information on the new Omicron variant of the Covid Virus.

Then **Dr. Kerry Tibles** Director of Graduate Medical education at Beth-Israel Deaconess Medical center explains why many medical practitioners are facing as we move into the third year of fighting the Pandemic.

December 12th, 2021

Dr. Fransis Collins Director of the National Institutes of Health addresses what we need to know about both the Omicron variant as well as the more deadly Delta Variant. He urges the importance of wearing PPE as well as getting booster shots as our best defenses against this virus right now.

Areana Taboada joins us to talk about her new book on Navigating Pregnancy and professional Responsibilities. She talks about the hardships faced by female entrepreneurs who have to juggle both their family and professional life.

December 19th, 2021

President of the National Medical Association Dr. **Rachelle Villanueva** talks about the recent rise in Covid cases and the concern that the Omicron variant could even surpass the Delta Variant. She says people need to be more vigilant with masking and vaccinations if we hope to defeat this new outbreak.

FBI Supervisory agent **Sandra Torrez-Cohan** talks about the rise of hate crimes in America towards people based on their race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or gender. Agent Torrez-Cohan says this challenge is the single most important thing facing America in the 21st century and why the federal government must impose tougher penalties against White Supremacy and the extremism which gives rise to these crimes. She encourages more intense education in all levels of school and in the workplace teaching tolerance and acceptance.

December 26th, 2021

Kelly Sanders at the UCSF

Dr. **Amy Rosario** a Scientist and Lieutenant in the US Public Health Services working with the US Surgeon general addresses what is new and different about the Omicron Variant. She encourages we maintain a level head and not panic as we are faced with rising cases and the increased frequency of break-through cases.

Dr. **Kelly Sanders** Technical lead of the Pandemic response initiative at the UCSF institute of Global health sciences. She has been leading up the kids initiative and addresses how the Pandemic is impacting not only kids physical health but also their mental wellbeing.