

BIOSKETCH - SPEAKER INFORMATION

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Biosketch: **Amanda Beckett, MPH**, is the Administrative Assistant for the Iowa Plumbing & Mechanical Systems Board and a certified EBL lead inspector/ risk assessor for the bureau of Environmental Health Services at the Iowa Department of Public Health. In 2014 she graduated with a Master's Degree in Public Health with an emphasis on epidemiology and disaster preparedness & response. Amanda started as an intern in the bureau of Planning Services at the Iowa Department of Public Health and was hired on as a contract employee. After spending four years in this position, Amanda left for a position in business continuity/ disaster preparedness & response for a major Midwest utility company. After a year, Amanda returned to the Iowa Department of Public Health in the bureau of Environmental Health Services. Amanda has been a certified EBL inspector for a little under a year. Amanda spent a lot of time working on Health Equity plans, policy and outreach during her time in the bureau of Planning Services, and bringing that experience into the field of childhood lead poisoning prevention is proving extremely beneficial.

Speaker 2:

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Biosketch: **Alexa Andrews, MPH** is the Program Coordinator for the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program project at the Iowa Institute of Public Health Research and Policy at the University of Iowa, College of Public Health in Iowa City, IA. In 2019, she graduated with her MPH with a concentration in Occupational and Environmental Health from the University of Iowa, College of Public Health. During her time as a student at the University of Iowa, she worked on multiple healthy homes initiatives. Mrs. Andrews worked with the IIPHRP to plan and deliver a healthy homes symposium in conjunction with the City of Iowa City that pulled together a multitude of stakeholders to better the health of this city through housing and healthcare partnerships. After her work on INVEST Health, she began working on the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program project as a Graduate Research Assistant. Since graduation she has transitioned into the Program Coordinator of the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program project at the IIPHRP. Her time spent working on the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program is focused on education and outreach material development as well as facilitating collaboration across sectors. Contact Alexa at alexa-andrews@uiowa.edu.

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Biosketch: Kevin Officer - As a Community Health Consultant with the Iowa Department of Public Health, Kevin has provided childhood lead poisoning prevention services to Iowans for the past 12 years as a certified elevated blood lead inspector and risk assessor. He has also managed the childhood lead program for the past 6 years. As a pioneer in home deconstruction and materials recycling in Iowa, Kevin has been addressing lead-based paint issues in Iowa's housing stock since 1994