

Richard C. Christensen, MD

SAVE THE DATE

April 27, 2018

Activities are Open to the Public

10:30—11:30 am

Reception & Creating Manna Bags
McKnight Brain Institute
Large conference room, L4-101

12:00—12:05 pm

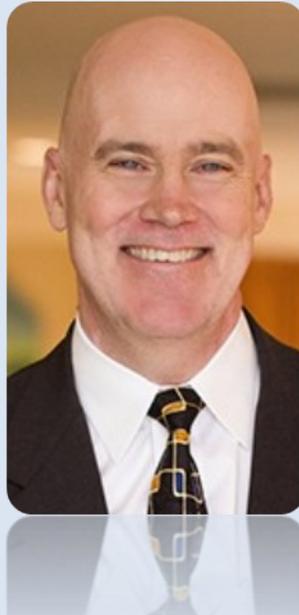
Mindfulness with Carol Lewis, PhD
McKnight Brain Institute
DeWeese Auditorium, LG-101A

12:05—1:00 pm

CME Lecture with John Kern, MD
McKnight Brain Institute
DeWeese Auditorium, LG-101A

McKnight Brain Institute
1149 Newell Drive
Gainesville, FL 32611

Third Annual Richard C. Christensen, MD Memorial Lecture & Advocacy Day



About the Speaker:

John Kern, MD, has been a Clinical Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Washington since November 2016, where his work focuses on training and implementation of integrated psychiatric and primary care services, an area where he has been an innovator for nearly ten years. Prior to this appointment, he worked for 27 years in the public mental health sector, for the last 22 of which he was Chief Medical Officer at Regional Mental Health Center in Merrillville, IN.

At Regional, in addition to responsibility for all medical and psychiatric services, he oversaw and directed the creation of several integrated programs. They included an IMPACT model behavioral health in primary care program, which developed a national reputation for innovations in the care of patients with bipolar disorder in primary care settings. He was also the project director for a \$2 million Primary and Behavioral Health Care Initiative [PBHCI] grant at Regional, to address the health care outcomes of adults with serious mental illness. Finally, he led the effort to make Regional Mental Health into a completely-integrated health care organization, via a successful Health Care Resources Administration [HRSA] grant to make Regional a Federally Qualified Health Center [FQHC]. Dr. Kern also served for two years as the Chief Medical Officer of that primary care organization.

Dr. Kern has been a sought-after trainer and speaker for a number of years on the subjects of collaborative documentation for psychiatrists, the provision of integrated care by psychiatrists, and issues related to the future of psychiatric practices. He has participated for several years in educational events, including Medical Director Boot Camps at the Annual Meeting of the National Council for Behavioral Health and the American Psychiatric Association's Institute for Psychiatric Services. He also helped develop the standard training materials for psychiatrists in Collaborative Care, in partnership with the University of Washington and the American Psychiatric Association.

Guest Speaker

John Kern, MD

Clinical Professor

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Presenting:

“Engaging with the Mortality Gap: Evidence and Experience with the Special Medical Needs of the Seriously Mentally Ill”