



U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan

Elected to the U.S. Senate in 2016, Senator Hassan is working to combat the heroin, fentanyl, and opioid crisis. She is working to expand access to job training and make college more affordable for our students and families; she is helping innovative businesses grow and create good jobs; and she is working to build a more inclusive economic future for New Hampshire families. She is a member of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation; and the Joint Economic Committee. Senator Hassan was first elected to the New Hampshire Senate in 2004, serving the people of the 23rd District, which included ten Seacoast towns. During her six years in office, she was selected by her colleagues to serve as President Pro Tempore and Majority Leader of the State Senate. She was then elected as the 81st Governor of New Hampshire. Senator Hassan is only the second woman in American history to be elected both Governor and United States Senator.



Senator Jay Kahn

Senator Kahn has made public service his career and avocation for 45 years. After 15 years in higher education policy and finance roles in Illinois, Dr. Kahn came to Keene State College where he served as Vice President for Finance and Planning for 27 years, Interim President in 2012-2013, and adjunct faculty in management and economics. His interest in student success is demonstrated in the classroom, student activities, interpersonal growth opportunities, in building town gown relationships and in creative and sustainable campus design, which together earned him national recognition. He served on the national boards of the Society for College and University Planning, and National Association of College and University Business Officers. Senator Kahn enters his second term representing District 10 including Keene and 14 other Cheshire County towns in southwestern New Hampshire. He chairs the Senate's Education and Workforce Development Committee and is a member of the Finance Committee and Joint Legislative Commission on Administrative Rules. He is also the Senate's appointee to the Education Commission of the States and serves on the NCSL Student Centered Learning project.



Representative Mel Myler

Rep. Myler has been a proven leader, manager, and agent of change in education work for over forty-eight years. In 2008, he retired from his executive staff position with the National Education Association (NEA) after serving the organization at the local, state and national level. For twenty-one years, he was the Executive Director of the NEA New Hampshire. He is a consensus builder providing a hands-on, creative approach to strategic planning and systems thinking. In each of his work experiences, he has initiated organizational change to meet new demands faced by a changing world. His knowledge of organizational development and ability to organize has allowed him to seek the common ground to effect needed modifications in operation and program systems. Through his career, he has demonstrated an ability to move an organization into new dimensions while accommodating the human side of the enterprise. He is recognized by his colleagues as a leader, mentor, and agent of change. He is currently in his third term representing Hopkinton and Concord, Ward 5.



Don Bolduc
Brigadier General, US Army (retired)

As one of the few senior military officers, and, at the time, the only active duty general officer on record, to openly discuss his own struggles with PTS, Bolduc has used his leadership position to change the conversation to one of understanding and acceptance through his own experiences. Dubbed “Captain America” and “Everyone’s General” by his fellow officers and soldiers, Bolduc always put country first, and now looks to continue his service off the battlefield sharing his leadership mantra of “People, Family, Mission” and his personal experiences with mental health to continue his leadership journey and help educate others.



Ken Norton
Executive Director, NAMI NH

Ken Norton LICSW is the Executive Director of NAMI NH, the NH Chapter of the National Alliance On Mental Illness. Ken led the development of NAMI NH’s Connect Suicide Prevention program, a national best practice in suicide prevention, intervention and postvention which has provided training across the US including Alaska and Hawaii, and in over 25 tribal nations, and 5 countries. Ken has worked as a licensed clinical social worker in community mental health, served as a foster parent, and has lived experience as a family member with: mental illness, addiction and suicide.



Peter Evers
President & CEO, Riverbend Community Mental Health

Peter Evers, M.S.W. joined Riverbend Community Mental Health as President & CEO on October 14, 2013. He also serves as Vice President for Behavioral Health at Concord Hospital. Evers brings 25 years of experience in the mental health and human services fields, including leadership positions in emergency, residential and outpatient services, to his new roles. Evers was educated in England and graduated from Sheffield Hallam University with a B.A. in economics and business studies. He obtained his Masters in Social Work from the University of Kent., and he is a licensed clinical social worker both here and in Great Britain.



Shari Robinson
Director, Psychological and Counseling Services, University of New Hampshire

Shari Robinson, Ph.D. is the Director and Psychologist at Psychological and Counseling Services (PACS). She received her doctorate degree in Counseling Psychology from West Virginia University. Her areas of professional interest include counseling issues related to equity, inclusion & diversity, working with students of color, first-generation college students, and mentoring people of color. Throughout her career, she has maintained a strong commitment to providing services and leadership development to underserved minority faculty, staff and students.



Robin Burroughs Davis
Vice President for Student Development and Dean of Students, Colby-Sawyer College

Robin earned a bachelor’s degree in English Education and a master’s degree in College and Community Counseling from Longwood College (now Longwood University). She is currently the Vice President for Student Development and Dean of Students Colby-Sawyer College and serves as the college’s Title IX Coordinator. She has presented a variety of programs, including alcohol and other drug prevention, assessment, and sexual harassment prevention, at state, regional, and national conferences.