

CTRTAP Spring Conference

Monday, April 20, 2015 ~ DOT Headquarters, Newington, CT Speaker Biographies

LISA BARNEY has worked for Kennedy Center for the past 17 years and now holds the title of Senior Transit Assessment and Training Coordinator. She has assisted public transit providers in establishing a statewide eligibility process for ADA paratransit and now acts as a consultant to transit districts on issues concerning the ADA. Lisa also conducts public transportation workshops for social service providers and the general public. She also is a presenter in sensitivity and passenger assistance training done for transit agencies in Connecticut and at train-the-trainer workshops for travel training practitioners.

SUSAN RUBINSKY is founder of SRMC, a marketing and communications agency that specializes in utilizing the internet to meet business goals. Prior to this role she was Marketing Director at Mirror Worlds Technologies, a software startup founded by the visionary technologist David Gelernter at Yale University. She previously was partner at The Computer Technology Group and RECOL, LLC.

Susan is currently on the Board of Holy Joe's Café, a nonprofit that has opened over 160 cafes that provide free coffee to troops on US military bases throughout the world.

DOUG HOLCOMB is currently Chief Executive Officer at Greater Bridgeport Transit in Connecticut where he served first as Director of Planning and Service Development for eleven years. He has held a number of positions in public transportation and regional planning over the past twenty-six years including Director of Paratransit Services at the Greater Hartford Transit District and Assistant Director of the Central Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments.

He has served as a member of the Connecticut Public Transportation Commission and as Chairman of the Connecticut Association for Community Transportation. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners and holds a Master's Degree in Community Planning and Development from the University of Rhode Island.

MS. TERRI PAIGE is an experienced trainer for rural, small urban, and human service transportation providers on a number of topics including Passenger Assistance, Emergency Procedures and Evacuation, Advanced Mobility Device Securement and Accessible Lift Operations, Disability Awareness and Customer Service. Ms. Paige also has several years of management experience in ADA Paratransit Eligibility and coordination. She has written and managed FTA funding grants including Section 5310, 5311, and 5311 (f). Ms. Paige is currently the lead RTAP trainer for the States of New Hampshire and Massachusetts, assisting with the creation of relevant training materials and responsible for scheduling trainings and coordinating with RLS contracted trainers to ensure required trainings are available at regional training sites throughout both states.