



CNM Connect Senior Consultant Dr. Susan Wolfe, Ph.D., Wins 2017 SCRA John Kalafat Practitioner Award

DALLAS – July 11, 2017 – [CNM Connect](#) (CNM) senior consultant Dr. Susan Wolfe, who has a doctorate in human development, has been awarded the prestigious [Society for Community Research and Action \(SCRA\)](#) 2017 John Kalafat Practitioner Award at SCRA's Sixteenth Biennial Conference in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, on June 23. She was presented her award by Dr. Susan McMahon, president of SCRA.

John Kalafat was the Coordinator of the Community Psychology Concentration at the Graduate School of Applied and Professional Psychology at Rutgers University. His life's work was marked by substantial scholarly contributions in the field of crisis intervention and community psychology, most notably his work in adolescent suicide prevention. The eponymous Practitioner Award was created after John's death in 2007 to honor an individual who exemplifies his unique legacy as mentor, teacher and advocate.

"It is an honor to be nominated and recognized by my colleagues for having made a significant difference in a field that I'm so passionate about and have dedicated my career to," said Susan. "It is truly special to receive an award that goes beyond one's expertise and focuses on the importance of sharing knowledge for exponential impact."

Susan is a senior consultant in the outcomes evaluation and technology department at CNM. "A more traditional evaluation consultant will collect your data, hand you a report and walk away," Susan explains. "That approach makes you dependent on the consultant for evaluation needs. At CNM, we partner with our nonprofit clients to build their capacity. It's more cost effective for the nonprofits and helps them to understand what evaluation is and how to use it to achieve the outcomes they seek."

Susan has more than 30 years of experience as a researcher, evaluator, program manager, and consultant to nonprofits, government, education and other institutions. Prior to CNM, Susan owned a consulting firm where she provided services to nonprofit, government, education, for-profit and grant-funded organizations. She also served as an adjunct professor at the University of North Texas Dallas, the University of North Texas Health Science Center and University of Texas at Dallas as well as an analyst for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Her career includes evaluation and management positions in education, government, health care, consulting and mental health services organizations.

Susan is a Health Equity Ambassador for the American Psychological Association, founder and past co-chair of the American Evaluation Association's Community Psychology Topical Interest Group and a past member of the SCRA Executive Committee. She is published in a variety of venues, and has presented to audiences nationally and internationally.

About CNM Connect

Founded in 1980, CNM Connect (previously Center for Nonprofit Management) strengthens communities by connecting and engaging nonprofits and other stakeholders through leadership, management expertise and outcomes technology. CNM provides executive recruiting, seminars, certificate programs, consulting services and outcomes technology solutions to meet the needs of today's nonprofit. To learn more, visit cnmconnect.org or call 214-826-3470.

About Society for Community Research and Action

The [Society for Community Research and Action](#) is an organization devoted to advancing theory, research, and social action. It is Division 27 of the American Psychological Association. Its members are committed to promoting health and empowerment and to preventing problems in communities, groups, and individuals. SCRA serves many different disciplines that focus on community research and action.

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