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Dr. Selleck has worked in the rehabilitation field for over 40 years. She has experience in psychiatric rehabilitation and recovery systems reform, program development, implementation, funding issues, legislation, and policy. She has held leadership positions in state government (in Minnesota and Missouri), and with community mental health providers (in rural Illinois, urban Chicago, and St. Louis). She has also provided independent consultation to multiple other states, most recently Nebraska.

Virginia works under contract for Westat's ASPIRE project under the Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Programs, and has been a Subject Matter Expert for a number of states, most recently, Wisconsin, Indiana, Florida, Oklahoma, Minnesota, and Virginia.

She works with the Technical Assistance Collaborative to support the state of Louisiana on their Department of Justice agreement which focuses on transitioning or diverting individuals with behavioral health conditions from nursing homes.

She has extensive speaking, training, and consulting experience in a number of states about various issues germane to psychiatric rehabilitation (employment in particular) and systems change. Virginia has a Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from the School of Education and Social

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