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### **Yvette Aitkins** Executive Director

Prior to SeniorBridge, Yvette was president and CEO of SmartChoice Home Health Agency, Inc, a leading home health agency located in Fair Lawn, New Jersey which she founded in 2002. Combining a passion for serving geriatric and disabled communities with integrity, understanding and empathetic care with a dedication to maintaining their dignity and independence, Yvette has been a champion for older people and their families for

nearly a decade. She has also participated in legislative sessions and committee meetings and cultivated relationships with community council groups and medical institutions to further patient care and improve education in the community. Yvette holds a Bachelor Bachelor's Degree Human Resources Management from Suffolk College, United Kingdom and attained a Masters in Business Management and Development from Lincoln Tech School, Paramus NJ. She is a Certified Dementia Practitioner and a NJ Certified Assisted Living Administrator.

### Lisa M. Dzitko, RN, CCM **Regional Executive Director**



Lisa brings a wealth of experience to SeniorBridge from Patient Care, Inc., where she was previously Branch Director/Administrator responsible for the development and execution of financial, operational, and clinical goals for this large home care agency, and before that, its Director of Clinical Services and Director of Nursing Operations. She has also served as Nursing Supervisor at the Bayonne Visiting Nurse

Association, ensuring appropriate care to its elderly Medicare and hospice clients. Lisa holds a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from Molloy College in Rockville Center and Nurse Case Manager certification from Seton Hall University in South Orange, NJ. She has been a Certified Case Manager since 1993.

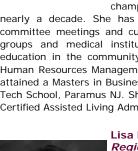
#### Virginia Oliver, RN **Director of Client Services**

Virginia has more than 34 years' experience in managerial, instructional, marketing/outreach, and clinical nursing. She has worked in medical-surgical, coronary/critical care, community health, school, and long-term care settings. For 12 years prior to joining SeniorBridge, Virginia served as Regional Director of Patient Services at Metropolitan Home Health Care of NJ (formerly Amserv Health Care), in which she managed a field staff of 750 in 4

branches. Among other previous responsibilities, she was a Staff RN/Charge Nurse in the Telemetry Unit and on the Medical-Surgical ICU at Union Hospital and Nursing Supervisor at Cranford Health and Extended Care. Virginia earned a nursing diploma at the Newport Hospital School of Nursing in Rhode Island and completed a certificate program in Geriatric Care. She is a licensed Registered Professional Nurse in New Jersey and New York and a member of the Educational Committee and Home Health Aide Committee of the Home Care Association of NJ.



**Director of Professional Relations** 



Patricia joined SeniorBridge with more than 16 years experience implementing eldercare initiatives that improve relationships between older patients and their families and professional organizations including nursing homes, assisted living facilities and home health organizations. Most recently as a client liaison at SmartChoice Home Health Agency, which was acquired by SeniorBridge, she collaborated with community organizations dealing with the financial, medical and emotional complexities of aging, coordinate educational seminars and support groups as well as to identify resources for families interested in partnering with a geriatric care manager. Pat received a bachelor of arts in Art and Design at Centenary College in Hackettstown, New Jersey and is certified as a qualified professional to work with the elderly by the National Certification Council for Activity Professionals (NCCAP). She is also a Certified Assisted Living Administrator (CALA) and a Dementia Care Professional of America (DCPA).



#### Susan Kolk, RN Care Manager

Susan Kolk brings more than a decade of experience in care planning and nursing to her role as nurse care manager at SeniorBridge. She combines an expertise with geriatric nursing and case management a passion for helping families navigate the complexities of aging. Prior to SeniorBridge, Susan worked at Valley Home Care and Always There Home healthcare performing home visits to assess home care needs, supervising home health

aides and leading educational programs for other healthcare professionals. Susan is a graduate of the Englewood Hospital School of Nursing.

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