

## Facilitator's Short Biography

**Dr. Bowman**, PhD, is a traditional Lunaape/Mohican woman in service to others at the intersection of truth, spirituality, traditional knowledge, sovereignty, governance, and evaluation. She's been an active Indigenous community member for 40 years and an evaluator for over two decades. She is president of the award-winning Bowman Performance Consulting and an Associate Scientist/Evaluator at the University of Wisconsin–Madison. Dr. Bowman supports a large portfolio of projects advancing radical Indigenous and community-led scholarship with Tribal and non-Tribal governments and philanthropic, non-profit, and private-sector organizations nationally and internationally. She is recognized in several American Associations including the American Evaluation Association (AEA), Center for Culturally Responsive Evaluation and Assessment (CREA), Internationally, she is a member of the Canadian Evaluation Society (CES), elected leadership within EvalIndigenous, Co-editor and Co-creator of "Roots and Relations" (Indigenous scholarship, Canadian Journal of Program Evaluation (CJPE). She is the current Ethics, Values, and Culture Section Editor for the American Journal of Evaluation and a Section Editor for Decolonization (cross functional) for the Journal of Multidisciplinary Evaluation. Dr. Bowman also was a recent a special global decolonization issue (July 2024) with Dr. Bagele Chilisa (Bantu Tribe of Africa and post-colonial Botswana scholar) and on the Editorial team for a New Directions in Evaluation's special issue on Culturally Responsive Evaluation: A Tribute to Dr. Stafford Hood (February 2024). Most importantly, she is a wife, daughter, Auntie, sister, and Lunaape Kwe (traditional Lunaape woman).

**Larry Bremmer** has worked in social research and evaluation for 45 years. In 1984, he established Proactive to provide research and evaluation services to the not-for-profit and public sectors. He is recognized for his depth of knowledge and his willingness to share his knowledge, particularly in the areas of Indigenous and decolonizing approaches to evaluation and the inclusion of people, such as children and youth, whose voices are habitually overlooked and undervalued. Larry, who has worked across Canada and internationally, has been engaged by government departments (federal, provincial, territorial), Indigenous communities and organizations, community-based agencies, post-secondary institutions, school districts, regional health authorities, as well as museums and visitor centres. In 2012, Larry was elected National President of CES. As Past President, he represented CES on the international stage where he was the driving force behind the creation of the global EvalPartners' network EvalIndigenous. In 2017, Larry received the CES Service Award and in 2018 the Contribution to Evaluation in Canada Award. In 2019, he was inducted as a Fellow of the Canadian Evaluation Society (FCES), the Society's highest honour. Larry is also co-editor of the new permanent section of the Canadian Journal of Program Evaluation, Roots and Relations: Celebrating Good Medicine in Evaluation.

Linda Lee, a passionate advocate for using evaluation to create a more equitable, inclusive, and sustainable world, is Vice-President and a Partner in the Manitoba-based evaluation and social research company Proactive Information Services Inc. A CES Award winner and Fellow (FCES), Linda has worked in evaluation and research for 40+ years. She has been a keynote speaker, presented papers and facilitated workshops at many national and international conferences. She has conducted evaluations across Canada and internationally, including many countries in East Central and Southeastern Europe, as well as Argentina and Lithuania. Linda, a former CES National President, has served on the CES Credentialing Board, the Fellows' Executive, and was a founder of the original CES Diversity Equity and Inclusion Working Group. She was a member of the CE Competencies Review Working Group which was tasked with revising and updating the Competencies for Canadian Evaluation Practice in 2017/18.

Dr. Carolee Dodge Francis is a Native American (Oneida Nation) social behavioral researcher, Department Chair and Professor of Civil Society & Community Studies in the School of Human Ecology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She strives to intertwine community engagement, research scholarship and evaluation as a reflection of her cultural understanding within a contemporary context that focuses upon the well-being of Indigenous populations. Dr. Dodge Francis has over 30+ years' work experience in public health/community wellness, Indigenous evaluation & program development, curriculum adaptation, and qualitative & community-based participatory research within urban and rural Native American communities. Dr. Dodge Francis is a published author, teaches Transformative Evaluation at the graduate level, and has been a Principal Investigator with the National Institutes of Health for over a decade.