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Dr. Lynn Van Male is a Senior Consultant with SIGMA Threat Management Associates and an international subject matter expert on threat assessment and management in health care and human services settings. She has over 18 years of experience implementing evidence-based, data-driven behavioral threat management processes at various systems levels in health care, including over 6 years of service as the national Director of the Workplace Violence Prevention Program for the largest integrated health care system in the United States. Dr. Van Male served on the Scientific Committee for the 4th, 5th and 6th International Conferences on Violence in the Health Sector, as well as providing a special workshop on the biomechanical evaluation of physical safety skills used in health care venues and presenting several system improvement papers at these international events. She has provided trainings for several other international and national conventions and professional meetings, including annual conferences of the Association of Threat Assessment Professionals (ATAP), the Canadian Association of Threat Assessment Professionals (CATAP), and the American Psychological Association (APA). Dr. Van Male's subject matter expertise and consultation regarding health care violence prevention has been requested by The Joint Commission, the Minnesota Department of Health, the Indiana Hospital Association, the US Performance Accountability Committee, the Interagency Security Committee of the Department of Homeland Security, and numerous health care delivery agencies and organizations across the United States. She was an invited participant at the 2015 Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) symposium on targeted violence prevention, resulting in the 2017 publication of the FBI Behavioral Analysis Unit Monograph *Making Prevention a Reality: Identifying, Assessing, and Managing the Threat of Targeted Attacks*. Dr. Van Male currently holds the elected office of Second Vice President on the Association of Threat Assessment Professionals (ATAP) national Board of Directors, having also served as the Vice President of the ATAP Northwest Chapter. Dr. Van Male is one of the first ATAP Certified Threat Managers (CTM), having beta-tested the CTM examination. In addition to holding an appointment as an Assistant Professor of Psychology at Oregon Health and Sciences University, Dr. Van Male is a Contributing Editor of the *Journal of Threat Assessment and Management* and a licensed Psychologist who provided direct clinical services for over ten years to US Military Veterans and their families as a member of the Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Clinical Team at the VA Portland Health Care System. Dr. Van Male earned her doctorate in Clinical Psychology from the University of Missouri-Columbia and completed an American Psychological Association approved internship at the VA Portland Health Care System.