

## **Madeleine A. Shea, Ph.D.**

Dr. Shea's leadership in health policy and advocacy in Maryland over the past 25 years has focused on improving health determinants and outcomes among vulnerable populations, including those infected with HIV, children with asthma, the disabled, and persons with multiple chronic health conditions. Dr. Shea was the chief architect of Maryland's State Health Improvement Process (SHIP), the multi sector framework for health reform in the state, and recently, she directed the Disparities National Coordinating Center, where she coached Medicare Quality Improvement Organizations to identify and reduce health disparities by race, ethnicity, gender, geography, poverty and disability. Dr. Shea serves on the HSCRC's Medicare Waiver Performance Measurement Workgroup and the Hospital Community Benefits Workgroup where she offers a consumer's voice and perspective, and broad public health expertise to policy planning and analysis. With a degree in Economics, Dr. Shea began her health and human service career in 1983 in the US Peace Corps in Liberia. She subsequently earned advanced degrees in Business and Public Policy and worked in the fields of community development, health promotion and prevention, program evaluation, home environmental health, community health, and health policy. Dr. Shea has served on numerous national, state and local boards, councils and workgroups to advance effective prevention practice and health equity.