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Dr. Kirilichin developed an interest in behavioral health while working for the [U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions \(HELP\)](#) as a health policy fellow. There, her portfolio included mental health and substance abuse policy, and her work supported Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act passage and the opioid funding provisions of 21st Century Cures. Dr. Kirilichin went on to join [National Safety Council](#), a nonprofit that eliminates preventable deaths through leadership, research, education and advocacy. She serves as a medical advisor and member of the [Physician Speaker's Bureau](#) for this organization, working with colleagues in multiple disciplines across the country on constructive interventions to combat the opioid epidemic.

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