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VCBH CONFERENCE**

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**SMOKING AND OTHER TOBACCO USE  
AMONG WOMEN AND GIRLS**

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## *Opening Remarks*



### Stephen T. Higgins, PhD

- Director, Vermont Center on Behavior and Health
- University Distinguished Professor
- Virginia H. Donaldson Professor of Translational Science
- Departments of Psychiatry & Psychological Science


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# UVM Welcome:

## J. Kathleen (Kate) Tracy, PhD



Dr. Tracy's research interests have focused primarily on cervical cancer prevention across the prevention continuum (primary, secondary, tertiary), particularly in underserved groups of women. Using a biobehavioral approach, her research focuses on identifying factors that increase a women's risk for developing cervical cancer as well factors in diagnosis and treatment. Her domestic research agenda continues to focus on reducing disparities in cancer across various dimensions of prevention. Dr. Tracy's international studies on the epidemiology of human papillomavirus (HPV) infection in women from Mali, West Africa helped characterize the burden of HPV disease in Mali and informed a mathematical model to estimate the impact of HPV vaccination in Mali.





# Video Welcome:

## U.S. Congressman Peter Welch



# Keynote: Lucinda England, MD, MSPH



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