About the Author

The death of your child is a game changer and anyone in the club knows that. **Kathy Keppel-Colkitt** is a mom in that club. Kathy, her husband, and younger daughter lived through that terrifying medical experience with their daughter Brandi.

As exceptional an Advocate as Kathy is, there was too much to know, learn, and attend to during her daughter Brandi's medical crisis. Being a lifelong Advocate, Kathy knew after this horrific tragedy that sharing how, when, and why an Advocate and Liaison are needed is vitally important during medical and other crises. Kathy's book *Will They Hear Me Now?* shows you how to be and Effective Medical Advocate.

Kathy is the founder and President of BMC Enterprise and BMC Foundation. She has volunteered and advocated for most of her adult life, being an advocate for children and adults in need of help and services. Her passion is in helping the community today so that she can continue to add value to people and give back. Her philosophy is, "If we can't help our family, friends, and neighbors why are we here?"

She has led both grief and trauma support groups. Kathy was a sexual assault volunteer for 12 years and worked at a regional Community Services organization in their Sexual Assault department. Kathy is a certified First Responder Chaplain trained in individual and group CISM services, advocating for local police, firefighters, wildland firefighters, and EMS. She and her husband were crisis foster parents for 4 years (CHAP alternative to hospitalization of children). She sits on the United We Rescue board of directors, and has been the president and member of Kiwanis for 7+ years, and currently an Elk member.

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