



## **SPEAKERS BIO's**

Robert M. Tudisco,

Robert Tudisco is a practicing attorney, nationally recognized author and motivational speaker. He is also an adult diagnosed with ADHD. Robert is a former member of the national board of directors of CHADD, ADDA, and was the Executive Director of the Edge Foundation, a nonprofit that provides specialized coaching to students and adults with ADHD and Executive Functioning impairment throughout the US and Canada. He is a frequent resource for the media on issues impacting the disability community, including *CBS News*, *New York Times Magazine*, *Newsweek*, *ABC News*, *The BBC*, *NBC's Today Show*, *CNN*, *USA Today*, *Seattle Times*. Robert was a frequent contributor to *ATTENTION® Magazine* and served on its Editorial Advisory Board from 2004 through 2014. He was also the legal columnist for *ADDitude Magazine* from 2007 through 2012, and is currently an expert legal contributor to *Understood.org*.

## **Heidi Bernhardt, RN**

Heidi Bernhardt is a psychiatric nurse by training, mother of three young men with ADHD, and the founder, President and Executive Director of the Centre for ADHD Awareness Canada (CADDAC), a national not-for-profit organization dedicated to awareness, education, and advocacy for ADHD. Heidi also served as the Executive Director of the Canadian ADHD Resource Alliance (CADDRA), a national not-for-profit organization of the leading clinicians and researchers in ADHD in Canada for 6 years. Over the past 24 years, Heidi Bernhardt has helped raise awareness and understanding of ADHD among parents, educators, health care professionals, industry leaders, and government officials through presentations, conferences, media interviews, and advocacy work.