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Betsy Schwartz, MSW, is a leader in mental health advocacy, policy, and program development. She currently serves as the Senior Director of the Center for Workplace Mental Health at the American Psychiatric Foundation, where she drives initiatives to improve mental health and wellbeing in the workplace.

During her career, Schwartz has played a pivotal role in expanding access to mental health education. As Vice President of Education at the National Council for Wellbeing, she spearheaded the national growth of Mental Health First Aid, helping to make mental health literacy a priority across communities. Prior to that, she served as CEO of Mental Health America's Houston affiliate, where she led legislative reforms and innovative program development to enhance mental health services and policies.

Schwartz is a Senior Fellow with both the Harvard University Advanced Leadership Initiative and the American Leadership Forum, as well as the WK Kellogg Foundation National Leadership Alliance. Her work has recognized by numerous awards including Public Citizen of the Year from the Houston Psychological Association and as one of the Houston Chronicle's Women on the Move.

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