

# **Biography for Health Care Audience**

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*Changing Lives One Laugh At a Time by Creating New Perspectives*

Kathleen Keller Passanisi, PT, CSP, CPAE is an experienced health care professional, successful businesswoman and educator. Recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award in the discipline of therapeutic humor, and a member of the Speaker Hall of Fame, mean she's knows what she's talking about and she does it better than most!

Kathleen works across the country with clients ranging from major health care systems, to trauma teams, from seriously ill patients to overly serious patient caregivers.

Ms. Passanisi founded NEW PERSPECTIVES in 1987 to address issues in wellness, quality living, stress management, and the link that exists between humor and health. Kathleen is a past-president of the American Association for Therapeutic Humor and served on the adjunct faculty of the Washington University School of Medicine. She is the author of *It's Your Life—Choose Well* and a co-author of *Humor Me—America's Funniest Humorists on the Power of Laughter*.

The self-proclaimed poster woman for the “Sandwich Generation,” Kathleen is the funniest woman in Lake Saint Louis, Missouri and possibly the Western Hemisphere.