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Virginia Rowthorn is Executive Director of University of Maryland, Baltimore's Center for Global Education Initiatives and an Adjunct Professor in the Law & Health Care Program at Maryland Carey Law. In her role as Executive Director, she manages the interprofessional activities of the campus-wide center that focus on community-engaged research and service projects in international and US settings.

Rowthorn was Managing Director of the Law & Health Care Program for ten years and served as Co-Director of the Center for Education Initiatives for three years prior to becoming Executive Director. She has led national workshops and written articles and book chapters on legal barriers to reverse innovation and bi-directional learning as well as on topics relating to global education such as competencies, service learning, and program development. Rowthorn is on the Board of the Consortium of Universities for Global Health and an ex officio member of the Canadian Coalition for Global Health Research. Rowthorn is the lead on the Maryland Carey Law collaboration with Chancellor College Faculty of Law in Malawi.

Prior to joining Maryland Carey Law in 2006, she was an attorney in the Legislative Division of the Office of General Counsel at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and Associate at the law firm of DLA Piper. In addition, Rowthorn spent several years as a Legislative Assistant for the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee and two years as a health educator in the Marshall Islands as a Peace Corps volunteer. Rowthorn is an Honors graduate of the UM Carey School Law and completed her LLM in Global Health Law at Georgetown Law Center.