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Dear Colleagues,

It gives me tremendous pleasure to welcome you to the second National Medical Association (NMA) Professional Development Series at the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Inc. (CBCF)’s 47th Annual Legislative Conference (ALC). This is the continuation of the NMA partnership with the CBCF at its ALC in an effort to bring continuing medical education in a collaborative fashion to attendees.

I am delighted to express my gratitude to the members of the Professional Advisory Committee members for the National Action Plan for Health Equity (NAPHE) as well as my thanks to the two immediate past NMA presidents for initiating this professional series and executing program on last year. This year with the assistance of the NAPHE Advisory Committee, our Executive Director Martin Hamlette, our CME Director Colin Syphax, and staff, we have organized a comprehensive program that with the collaboration of invited organizations will cover critical steps in the creation of an action oriented program that will lead to improvement in health outcomes. Current issues in healthcare will also be addressed and includes opioids and pain management, violence as a public health issue, sickle cell disease, Lupus, diabetes, nutrition, breastfeeding, obesity, physician reimbursement, healthcare reform and public-private partnerships.

We exist in an era where healthcare providers must not only be concerned and dedicated to saving lives but must also focus on preventing illness and disease through the use of smart technologies and medical care. Healthcare providers are more than physicians and dentists but include nurses, social workers, pharmacists, nutritionists, psychologist and health service executives, it requires a team effort to bring about the necessary changes needed to shift the health paradigm to a new culture of health. The time for change in the health system is now, ergo the urgency in NOW!

My goal as the NMA President is to create a culture of change in healthcare. To bring about a collaborative approach for developing a National Action Plan for Health Equity. This will encourage engagement and involvement of all aspects of our communities through transparent, transitional and transformative engagement in healthcare. Together with our participating organizations in partnership with the CBC, we will work to ensure that all members of the healthcare team recognize the diverse nature of our population and are prepared to be attentive to the needs of our healthcare universe of stakeholders.

I look forward to your engagement in this second as well as future professional series programs and hope that you will also join us for the second and third parts of our program of creating a National Action Plan of Health Equity, which occurs in the Spring of 2018 at our Health Legislative Colloquium and at our 116th Annual Convention and Scientific Assembly on August 11–15, 2018 in Orlando, FL.

Sincerely yours,

Doris Browne, M.D., M.P.H.

118th President, National Medical Association
ABOUT US

ABOUT THE NATIONAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

Established in 1895, the National Medical Association (NMA) is the largest and oldest national organization in the United States representing the interests of African-American physicians and the patients they serve. The NMA serves as the leading voice force for parity and justice in medicine and the elimination of disparities in health.

ABOUT THE CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS FOUNDATION, INCORPORATED

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Incorporated (CBCF), established in 1976, is a non-partisan, non-profit, public policy, research and educational institute, committed to advancing the global black community by developing leaders, informing policy and educating the public.

ABOUT THE CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS FOUNDATION, INC.’S ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc. (CBCF)’s Annual Legislative Conference (ALC) is the leading policy conference on issues impacting African Americans and the global black community. Thought leaders and concerned citizens engage in discussions addressing economic development, civil and social justice, public health, and education issues. More than 9,000 people attend the 70 ALC public policy forums.

In response to the need to acquire specific-industry training and certification while attending the ALC, the CBCF introduced its Professional Development Series Franchise targeting African Americans in specific careers. For the second year in a row the CBCF has partnered with the National Medical Association (NMA) to present a one-day Professional Development Series forum focusing on the clinical, policy, and social determinants of health.
ABOUT THE PROGRAM

PROGRAM GOAL, PURPOSE, AND FORMAT

This activity is designed to enhance the educational underpinnings of physicians, healthcare providers, and all professionals interested in promoting health equity. The format will include panel presentations discussing barriers contributing to inequities and disparities in key areas and systematic approaches to promote wellness through prevention and management of disease. Because of the interrelationship of multiple factors influencing healthcare, the NMA Professional Development Series has organized a stellar group of panelists from diverse disciplines who will guide the audience in development of ideas that have the potential to transform healthcare delivery in ways that lead toward health care equity.

BACKGROUND/OVERVIEW

Unfortunately, African Americans continue to experience disparate health outcomes especially in the non-communicable chronic diseases, which is a manifestation of societal factors, including differential levels of treatment and quality of care. Many patients of color experience less access to essential primary care services, appropriate referral to specialists, and the use of evidence-based medications and devices, particularly with newer therapies, that is coupled with the impact of social determinants of health.

It is time for the NMA as the leading health care organization for African American healthcare providers to take action and create a solution to the longstanding health disparities. Because the NMA is truly committed to bringing about positive outcomes and progress, we welcome like-minded organizations, civic and faith-based groups—to join us in a collaborative approach to reach health equity. In order to effect change we must act up and ACT UP now. It requires dedication and heavy lifting for all engaged partners.

A coalition will be formed with selected health organizations to create a National Action Plan for Health Equity that will lead to a culture of health in communities of color through improving access, early detection, prevention, screening, and treatment for those diseases having the greatest impact on health outcomes.

OBJECTIVES

1. Discuss the creation of a national outreach and communications plan to disseminate information that advance the health literacy of communities of color and offer tools in order to increase better understanding of health risk and mechanisms to empower communities to take action.

2. Describe how public/private partnerships can be used to address public health issues.

3. Discuss strategies to address disparities in breastfeeding, obesity, diabetes, and nutrition.

4. Identify the impact of disparities in lupus, sickle cell disease, and management of opioids.

5. Describe innovations in healthcare delivery and models for physician reimbursement.

6. Discuss the impact of gun violence on healthcare in communities, and possible contributing factors and interventions.

EDUCATIONAL CREDITS

The National Medical Association is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing education for physicians.

The National Medical Association designates this live activity for a maximum of 7 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Physicians wishing to claim credit for participation in this activity must be registered for the CBCF ALC Professional Development Series and complete the program evaluation. A certificate of credit, signed by the CME Director, will be sent in approximately two weeks post activity. Questions regarding the credit process may be directed to cme@nmanet.org.

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James H. Powell, M.D. (Moderator)
Principle Investigator, NMA Project IMPACT
President, Strategic Medical Associates
Joseph Drayton, Esq.
President-Elect, National Bar Association
Paul Mouravieff
Director, American Thoracic Society Foundation
Monique Wilson, M.P.H.
Vice President, Multicultural Initiatives, Greater Southeast Affiliate, American Heart Association
Richard E. Killingsworth, M.P.H.
Director, Center for Public Private Partnerships in Health, University of Delaware
Nicolette A. Louissaint, Ph.D.
Executive Director, Healthcare Ready

12:15 pm–12:30 pm  Questions and Answers/Discussion

12:30 pm–1:30 pm  Luncheon Discussion
Julianne Malveaux, Ph.D.
Economist, Author, and Commentator

1:30 pm–2:30 pm  Concurrent Breakout Group A: Nutrition, Breastfeeding, and Obesity (Room 201)
Leslie D. Cooper, Ph.D., M.P.H., B.S.N., R.N. (Moderator)
Independent Health Consultant
Michal A. Young, M.D.
Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Child Health, Howard University College of Medicine
Fatima Cody Stanford, M.D., M.P.H., M.P.A.
Obesity Medicine Physician for Children, Adolescents, and Adults, Massachusetts General Hospital
Robert B. Blancato, M.P.A.
Executive Director, National Association of Nutrition and Aging Services Programs

Concurrent Breakout Group B: Sickle Cell Disease, Opioids and Pain Management, and Violence (Room 202B)
Edith P. Mitchell, M.D. (Moderator)
Past President, National Medical Association
Clinical Professor of Medicine and Medical Oncology, Department of Medical Oncology
Director, Center to Eliminate Cancer Disparities
Associate Director, Diversity Affairs, Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson
Krupa Sivamurthy, M.D.
Marian Anderson Comprehensive Sickle Cell Center, Drexel University College of Medicine
Concurrent Breakout Group B: Sickle Cell Disease, Opioids and Pain Management, and Violence (continued)

Melissa E. Clarke, M.D.
Director for Population Health, National Human Genome Center, Howard University College of Medicine

Roger A. Mitchell, M.D.
Co-Chair NMA Working Group on Gun Violence and the Police Use of Force
Chief Medical Examiner, District of Columbia Government

2:30 pm–3:30 pm Concurrent Breakout Group C: Physician Reimbursement Issues and Healthcare Reform (Room 201)

Sydney Ross-Davis, M.D. (Moderator)
Immediate Past Chair, NMA Physician Executives Section
Chief Medical Officer, Healthcare Consultant
Medicare, Medicaid, and Commercial Plan Expertise

Rose Blackburne, M.D., M.B.A.
Co-Chair, NMA Physician Executives Section
Executive Medical Director, Pharmaceutical Product Development, LLC

Aaron Vandervelde, M.B.A.
Managing Director, Berkeley Research Group

Concurrent Breakout Group D: Diabetes and Lupus (Room 202B)

Niva Lubin Johnson, M.D. (Moderator)
President-Elect, National Medical Association

Sherita Hill Golden, M.D., M.H.S.
Hugh P. McCormick Family Professor of Endocrinology and Metabolism
Executive Vice-Chair, Department of Medicine, Welch Center for Prevention, Epidemiology, and Clinical Research, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine

Alyce Kuklinski, N.P., R.N.
General Manager, Clinical Care Options, LLC

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm Concurrent Breakout Group E: Physician Reimbursement Issues and Healthcare Reform (Room 201)

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4:30 pm – 5:00 pm  Environmental Health and How it is Connected to the Fight Around Climate Change and Clean Water  (Room 201)  
Kim Noble  
Director of National Partnerships, Green for All  

5:00 pm–5:30 pm  Wrap Up, Summary, and Call to Action  
Doris Browne, M.D., M.P.H.  
118th President, National Medical Association  

6:00 pm–8:00 pm  Networking Reception
**BIOGRAPHIES**

**JEROME M. ADAMS, M.D., M.P.H.**

Jerome Adams, M.D., was confirmed as the 20th Surgeon General of the United States on August 3, 2017. Dr. Adams is the first physician anesthesiologist to hold this important position.

As the Surgeon General, colloquially known as the “nation’s doctor,” Dr. Adams will work to provide Americans with scientific information on improving their health and reducing their risk of illness and injury. The Office of the Surgeon General is part of the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Dr. Adams previously held the position of Indiana Health Commissioner, only the second African American to ever serve in that position. In that role, he oversaw the Public Health Protection and Laboratory Services, Health and Human Services, Health Care Quality and Regulatory, and Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Commissions. He was appointed in 2014 by Vice President Michael R. Pence, then governor of Indiana. Dr. Adams is recognized as a leading expert in the substance abuse epidemic, and his swift and robust response to one of the largest HIV outbreaks in United States’ history helped avert a larger public health crisis amid the ongoing opioid abuse epidemic. He has testified before Congressional committees on the subject.

Dr. Adams is a faculty member at Indiana University where he teaches residents and maintains a clinical focus on regional anesthesia and pain management. He works clinically at Eskenazi Hospital in Indianapolis, a level 1 trauma center, where he serves as chair of the Hospital Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee. He has authored several papers and book chapters, including chapters in Anesthesia Student Survival Guide, A Case Based Approach, and an editorial in the American Journal of Public Health titled, “Are Pain Management Questions in Patient Satisfaction Surveys Driving the Opioid Epidemic?”

Dr. Adams went to medical school at Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis. Prior to finishing medical school, he completed a master’s in public health, with a focus on chronic disease prevention at the University of California at Berkeley. He completed his internship in internal medicine at St. Vincent’s Hospital in Indianapolis, and residency in anesthesiology at Indiana University. He is board certified in anesthesiology. He is immediate past chair of the ASA Professional Diversity Committee, and also served on ASA’s Health and Public Policy and Governmental Affairs Committees.

**PAUL C. ARCHIBALD, DR.P.H., LCSW-C**

Dr. Paul Archibald is currently an Assistant Professor in the School of Social Work at Morgan State University. He is a licensed clinical public health social worker with over 15 years of clinical practice and training focused on the prevention and treatment of mental and physical health outcomes among persons exposed to chronic stress and living in the urban environment. His professional goal is to increase the number of underrepresented minority social workers who understand the public health social work framework which is the prevention and health promotion practice of social work that utilizes epidemiology to promote health, social justice and the overall well-being of the community being served. He focuses on maximizing the impact of prevention efforts geared towards people of African descent who live in the urban environment: (1) improve consistent access to employment and utilization of the health care system; (2) enhance culturally proficient community resources that are supportive and relevant in promoting healthy lifestyles; and (3) build a village with the capacity for networking, social action and advocacy in addressing health disparities. His primary research interest area is “economic, environmental, and social justice for those living in the urban environment as a means to combat health disparities.” Dr. Archibald’s believes his true professional advocacy is in the underrepresented minority communities. He holds dear to his heart his public health social work role as “holistic health promotor.” Dr. Archibald is a firm believer that “it takes a whole community to make a community whole!”
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ROSE BLACKBURNE, M.D., M.B.A.

Rose Blackburne, M.D., M.B.A., is currently Executive Medical Director for PPD (Pharmaceutical Product Development, LLC). In this role she has strategic input and oversight for a portfolio of pharmaceutical and medical device product development opportunities in General Medicine and Women’s Health.

Dr. Rose Blackburne is Board Certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology with over 20 years of experience in Women’s Health. She was a practicing Obstetrician/Gynecologist for 10 years prior to transitioning to the CRO industry, and was an Investigator for clinical trials in Women’s Health. Dr. Blackburne has over 10 years of Clinical Research & Development experience and has held numerous CRO Global leadership positions in numerous therapeutic areas.

Dr. Blackburne received her medical degree at the Morehouse School of Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia in 1992, and completed an Obstetrics and Gynecology residency at Columbia University in New York. She holds a MBA from the Darden Graduate School of Business, studied Health Policy and Health Care Delivery at Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government, and completed her undergraduate studies at University of Virginia, in Charlottesville, Virginia. Dr. Blackburne also has Congressional Legislative experience as a Legislative Assistant in the US House of Representatives, where she co-developed policy on healthcare, science and technology and women’s issues.

Dr. Blackburne is a member of the National Medical Association where she chaired the Physician Executive Section (2013–2015), and is an advisor to NMA’s Project IMPACT (Increasing Minority Participation and Awareness in Clinical Trials). She has served on the NAACP National Health Committee since 2003.

ROBERT B. BLANCATO, M.P.A.

Bob Blancato is President of Matz, Blancato, & Associates. Bob is the National Coordinator of the Elder Justice Coalition, a non-partisan, 680 member organization. From 2000–2006, Bob served as President of the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse. He currently serves as the Executive Director of NANASP, the National Association of Nutrition and Aging Services Programs. Bob is a former House of Representatives staff member and spent 17 years on the House Select Committee on Aging. He also served as Executive Director of the 1995 White House Conference on Aging (WHCOA) appointed by President Clinton. He was on the Policy Committee for the 2005 WHCOA appointed by Rep. Nancy Pelosi.

Bob most recently became Chairman of the Commonwealth Council on Aging in Virginia. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Georgetown University and a Masters of Public Administration from American University.

DORIS BROWNE, M.D., M.P.H.

Dr. Doris Browne was installed as the 118th President of the NMA on August 1, 2017, at the National Medical Association’s Annual Convention and Scientific Assembly in Philadelphia, PA.

Dr. Doris Browne is President and CEO of Browne and Associates, Inc. (BAI), a certified service disabled veteran and woman owned health consulting company, which manages diversified health programs addressing the health status and disparities of national and international populations. BAI’s mission is to provide education, training, disease prevention consultation and a comprehensive worksite wellness program to its clientele. Programs are primarily focused in the areas of breast and prostate cancers, women’s health, other non-communicable diseases, disaster management, and HIV/AIDS with an emphasis on health promotion, disease prevention and positive health outcomes.

Throughout her career, Dr. Browne has been dedicated to eliminating health disparities, focusing on prevention, health education, and wellness programs. Her public health background includes health education programs on substance abuse, sex education, and community health education programs. Her work has transcended U.S. borders, and she has worked on projects focusing on breast cancer and HIV/AIDS, and participated in an international disaster preparedness and humanitarian assistance program for 17
West African Nations following the Ebola epidemic. The program focused on facilitation/instructions for National Emergency Operations Center, Integrated One-Health Surveillance & Early Warning Scenarios.

She retired from the National Cancer Institute where she managed the breast cancer portfolio for the Breast and Gynecologic Cancer Research Group in the Division of Cancer Prevention and is the recipient of a National Institutes of Health Merit Award (2010). Dr. Browne is also a retired Colonel of the US Army Medical Corps and former Director for Medical Research and Development for the US Army Medical Research and Materiel Command, where she was responsible for the biomedical research programs for the Army and the Department of Defense (DoD). Colonel Browne also served as the Director for Prevention and Standards for the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs with responsibility for analysis, review, and formulation of policies, guidelines and programs on women’s health issues, oversight for health promotion and disease prevention, and TRICARE preventive benefits. She was also Chairperson for the DoD Breast Cancer Prevention, Education, and Diagnosis Initiatives, and represented the DoD on the National Action Plan on Breast Cancer. Beyond these great military accomplishments, she held various senior level positions of responsibility including establishing the disaster management emergency support team for radiation accidents/incidents; writing a text book on management of radiation casualties; participating on several NATO Panels and Working Groups; and serving as the Senior Medical Consultant for the U.S. Delegation Subgroup on Accident Response to U.S.-Russian Safety, Security, and Dismantlement Working Group and DoD Partnership for Peace program.

Dr. Browne was a Woodrow Wilson Public Policy Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars where her research focused on estrogen receptor negative breast cancer health disparities. Her experiences also include training and technical assistance in clinical trials, chronic disease management, and HIV/AIDS. She has worked extensively with the National Medical Association’s (NMA) Project I.M.P.A.C.T. (Increase Minority Participation and Awareness of Clinical Trials), a coordinated effort to raise awareness and educate physicians and consumers about research, and to develop physicians as effective clinical investigators and facilitators of research in minority communities. Dr. Browne graduated from Tougaloo College (B.S.), University of California at Los Angeles (M.P.H.), and Georgetown University (M.D.) and completed an internship, residency, and fellowship at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. She is a member of Trinity Episcopal Church and the chair of its Health Ministry. Dr. Browne is a member of numerous professional organizations and recipient of many awards. She is the mother of one daughter - Nicole, son-in-law - Kevin, and granddaughter - Payton Arianna.

EDWARD H. CHAPPELLE JR., D.D.S.

Dentistry has provided me not only with a living, but a chance to help other people. A smile is one of the most valuable attributes of a person. To be able to contribute to a person’s quality of life is extremely satisfying.

Even more than the satisfaction I receive from creating beautiful smiles is the joy I feel when welcoming new patients into our practice family. What I have appreciated most over the past 30 years is the variety of relationships I’ve been fortunate enough to build. My patients are such unique individuals; each person I meet brings a fresh perspective on life, and allows me to see the world through their eyes.

Dental technology has advanced rapidly since I began my private practice. New treatments mean more comfortable and efficient options for my patients. I love the new technology that allows me to produce crowns in a single visit, more accurately than ever before.

I am heavily invested in continuing education, which is why I am a member of the Academy of General Dentistry (AGD). I received my fellowship (FAGD) in 1996 and I am currently working towards my membership.

Originally from Rochester, NY, I moved to Bowie 27 years ago and have loved building my practice and raising my family in such a wonderful community. My wife, Sherra, and I have two amazing children, April and Edward III. My family is so important to me, and much of my free time is spent with them. When I get the chance, I also enjoy listening to contemporary jazz, playing softball, photography, and traveling.

My dedication to the community extends beyond my practice; improving the lives of those around me is something I strive for in my personal life as well. I am active
with the Boys and Girls Club, Largo Community Church, and the Omega Psi Phi fraternity with their scholarship program which mentors high school students.

THE HONORABLE DONNA M. CHRISTENSEN, M.D.

The Honorable Donna M. Christensen distinguished herself as a leader in the United States Congress where she served nine terms. She is the first female physician to serve as a Member in the history of the U.S. Congress, the first woman to represent an offshore Territory, and the first woman Delegate from the United States Virgin Islands.

In the 111th, 112th and 113th Congress, Delegate Christensen served on the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the first Delegate from a Territory to serve on an exclusive committee. She served on its Subcommittee on Health during healthcare reform and was intimately involved in the creation of the PPACA in the House. She led the Black Caucus and Tri-Caucus partners in working with the Senate and White House in ensuring territorial and health equity provisions remained a key part of the ACA.

Congresswoman Christensen chaired the Congressional Black Caucus’ Health Braintrust for 16 years. The Braintrust oversees and advocates minority health issues nationally and internationally. In this capacity, in addition to the work on the ACA, Christensen considers among their hard worked for achievements, increase in support for minority health providers’ training, the creation of the National Institute for Minority and Health Disparity Research at NIH, the expansion of offices of minority health, increased funding for health in the territories, and ensuring that Comparative Effectiveness Research would include, minorities, women and persons with disabilities.

She also worked on the creation of the Minority AIDS Initiative and oversaw its reauthorizations and increases in funding. She helped to negotiate the final law giving FDA authority to regulate tobacco and has been recognized for her unrelenting advocacy at NIH. It was under her leadership that the Louis Stokes Health Policy Fellowship was established at the CBC Foundation.

As a Caribbean American, in addition to her first priority—representing the interests of the USVI—and addressing and legislating on national health disparity issues and those in the US Virgin Islands and other Territories, she always saw herself as a Caribbean representative and was active on all issues of concern to the Region. The Congresswoman was persistent in her call to address HIV/AIDS at home and in the Caribbean and worked with several of her CBC colleagues to ensure that PEPFAR was extended to the wider Caribbean.

MELISSA E. CLARKE, M.D.

Melissa E. Clarke, M.D. FACEP has extensive private sector experience in population health working with health plans, third party payers and accountable care organizations (ACOs) on healthcare delivery transformation, with a focus on patient engagement, team-based care and quality outcomes. Her experience is grounded in her former position as Senior Medical Director at Active Health Management, a population health management company owned by Aetna, where she served as the lead physician integrating patient centered care management programs in ACOs across the country.

Currently, as the Director for Population Health at the National Human Genome Center (NHGC) at Howard University, Dr. Clarke is charting a course grounded in principles of population health for the implementation of Precision Medicine in underserved populations. She also continues her work in population health with the Medical Home Development Group, (MHDG) a medical services organization that is establishing new healthcare practices in underserved areas of the greater DC area. These sites are primarily in non-traditional sites like churches and subsidized housing complexes to make care convenient and link individuals to needed community resources.

Dr Clarke’s career started in academic medicine at Howard University, where she was faculty in Emergency Medicine, Assistant Dean for Medical Education, director of the Office of Continuing Medical Education, and a member of the Institutional Review Board. She has published or presented extensively in medical education, health disparities, cultural competency, telemedicine, and medical practice transformation. Dr. Clarke graduated from Harvard
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University, the University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine, and completed residency at Georgetown and George Washington Universities.

LESLIE D. COOPER, PH.D., M.P.H., B.S.N., R.N.

CAPT Leslie Cooper is an applied epidemiologist and social/behavioral scientist with 30 years of service with the United States Public Health Service. She spent most of her career in the Commissioned Corps at the National Institutes of Health and served in 7 of the 27 Institutes: the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities, the National Center on Research and Resources, the National Cancer Institute, the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, the National Center for Nursing Research (now the National Institute of Nursing Research), and the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development.

CAPT Cooper served in a number of roles and capacities throughout her career although her primary scientific area of focus has been tobacco-related research. She has guided scientists in the execution of research and educational activities for the Department of Health and Human Services; managed various large scale research projects; and managed programs targeted at racial and ethnic minority and underserved populations. CAPT Cooper is a public health advocate and a strong supporter of promoting health and disease prevention programs and activities.

JOSEPH DRAYTON, ESQ.

Joseph Drayton’s practice background includes a broad range of intellectual property and complex commercial matters. He is experienced in patent litigation, trademark and copyright usage, trade dress, design patents and false advertising. Joe also counsels clients in all aspects of intellectual property acquisition, transfer, protection and enforcement. He has represented leading companies in the media, telecommunications, banking, private equity, pharmaceutical, electronics and retail industries. He practices before both state and federal courts, as well as the International Trade Commission. He has been a lead member of numerous patent trial teams, including four over the past few years. He has handled temporary restraining orders, preliminary injunctions, all facets of motion practice and complex discovery.

SHIRLEY EVERS-MANLY, PH.D., R.N.

Shirley Evers-Manly, Ph.D., R.N., FAAN is the Managing Director of Clinical Development at Paladin Healthcare Management, in El Segundo, California. Dr. Evers-Manly earned a Ph.D. from the University of California, San Francisco, Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree and a Master of Science Nursing degree from Samuel Merritt University in Oakland, California.

Dr. Shirley D. Evers-Manly, has more than 32 years of experience developing and implementing clinical, academic, and community-based health promotion and prevention programs, working with vulnerable populations and speaking about diversity in health care locally and abroad. She serves as the Principal Investigator for the Aim 2 Care Multiple Chronic Conditions training grant, Bridges to the Doctorate and Song Brown Student Success grants as well as leads the Global Health Initiative at Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science.

She has won numerous prestigious awards for her accomplishments and contributions to improve clinical practices, inpatient and community health outcomes, and academia and was awarded Congressional Recognition for Outstanding Community Service by the California State Senate and United States Congress. In 2014, she was given the prestigious honor of induction into the Inaugural Leadership Hall of Fame, Sigma Theta Tau International, Honor Society of Nursing, Alpha Eta Chapter (UCSF).

Dr. Evers-Manly is an internationally recognized expert in oncology and health disparities throughout the life span. She has made significant contributions in advocating to eliminate health disparities and inequities throughout the world. She gives voice to those who feel they have no voice. Dr. Evers-Manly’s understanding of underserved populations brings a
humanistic approach to strategic, safe, high quality and cost-effective healthcare—leadership assets and skills from which the health care arena will benefit.

For her significant contributions in the areas of service, scholarship, community and leadership, she was inducted as a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing, which was established to serve the general public and nursing profession by advancing health policy and practice through the generation, synthesis and dissemination of nursing knowledge. Dr. Evers-Manly is on faculty at the University of California, San Francisco, School of Nursing, is the Regional Chair for Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor society where 26 nursing honor society chapters’ report to her and serves as Chair of the National Black Nurses Association’s Ad hoc Committee on the Global Health.

GABRIEL FELIX (MD CANDIDATE)

Gabriel Felix is third year medical student at Howard University College of Medicine. He attended Binghamton University, where he received his Bachelor of Arts in Psychology. Prior to medical school he worked at a non-profit doing research on survivors of traumatic brain injuries and individuals living with disabilities.

As a medical student, he holds several leadership positions at his institution including serving as Vice-president of his class, serving as member on the council of honor, ethics, and professionalism, and actively participating in the Physical Medicine, and Rehabilitation Interest Group. He currently serves as the National President-elect for the Student National Medical Association. He hopes to use his position to continue to support medical and premedical students to become culturally competent and socially conscious physicians that are healthcare providers and advocates for underserved communities.

SHERITA HILL GOLDEN, M.D., M.H.S.

Dr. Sherita Hill Golden is the Hugh P. McCormick Family Professor of Endocrinology and Metabolism and Executive Vice-Chair of the Department of Medicine at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. She holds joint appointments in the Welch Center for Prevention, Epidemiology, and Clinical Research, in the Department of Epidemiology at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, and in the Armstrong Institute for Patient Safety and Quality. She is Director of the Johns Hopkins Hospital Inpatient Glucose Management Program. The author of more than 130 articles, 12 book chapters, and 4 monographs, Dr. Golden’s primary research interests center around (1) identifying endocrine risk factors associated with the development of diabetes and cardiovascular disease; (2) examining mental health complications of diabetes and the biological, hormonal, and behavioral factors that explain these associations, (3) understanding and eliminating diabetes health disparities, and (4) implementing and evaluating systems interventions to improve patient safety and quality of care in hospitalized patients with diabetes. She was Chairperson of the Endocrine Society’s first Scientific Statement on Health Disparities in Endocrine Disorders. She serves as the Principal Investigator of the Johns Hopkins site of the Diabetes Prevention Program Outcome Study. In 2013, she was elected to the American Society for Clinical Investigation. Dr. Golden is a devoted mentor and currently serves as Director of the Epidemiology and Clinical Research in Diabetes and Endocrinology Training Grant.

MARTIN HAMLETTE, J.D., M.H.A.

Martin Hamlette, JD, MHA, is the executive director of the National Medical Association (NMA). A seasoned healthcare administrator, Mr. Hamlette is experienced in both the public and private sectors, including health law and policy and current healthcare reform issues and their impact on medically diverse populations and the professionals who treat them. In 2007, he was named chief health policy advisor within the Washington, DC Executive Office of the Mayor, Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs, by Mayor Adrian M. Fenty. As policy and legislative strategist, he provided guidance to the mayor and agency directors within the District’s healthcare cluster, authored policy positions, drafted legislation and testified at public
hearings. Mr. Hamlette received a letter of commendation from the mayor for his efforts.

Subsequently, Mr. Hamlette served in private practice as counsel and administrator to medical providers, state government and a professional medical association on issues arising from and related to the Affordable Care Act.

A resident of Washington, DC for 20 years, Mr. Hamlette has been a leader in the healthcare community having served on the Board of Directors for the American College of Healthcare Executives (National Capital Chapter) and as an adjunct professor of health law and management at Marymount University. He has given numerous talks, interviews and was recently featured by Dr. Sanjay Gupta’s public health and policy column in MedPage Today magazine.

Mr. Hamlette earned a bachelor’s degree in economics from Howard University. He earned a juris doctorate degree from the University of Dayton School of Law where he also served as a county court judicial clerk, moot court coach and was finalist in the Hon. Walter H. Rice Moot Court Competition. He has a master of health administration degree, with a concentration in finance, from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Gillings School of Global Public Health. He has been licensed to practice law for nearly 15 years in Maryland, Washington, D.C. and New Jersey.

He is a member of Alfred Street Baptist Church (Alexandria, Va.), the National Bar Association, and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. He is an avid golfer and long distance runner.

CAMARA PHYLLIS JONES, M.D., M.P.H., PH.D.

Camara Phyllis Jones, M.D., M.P.H., Ph.D., is research director on social determinants of health and equity in the Division of Adult and Community Health, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion. Dr. Jones received her B.A. degree (Molecular Biology) from Wellesley College, her M.D. from the Stanford University School of Medicine, and both her M.P.H. and Ph.D. (Epidemiology) degrees from the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health. She also completed residency training in general preventive medicine (Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, Baltimore, Maryland) and in family practice (Residency Program in Social Medicine, Bronx, New York).

Dr. Jones is a family physician and epidemiologist whose work focuses on the impact of racism on the health and well-being of the nation. She seeks to broaden the national health debate to include not only universal access to high quality health care but also attention to the social determinants of health (including poverty) and the social determinants of equity (including racism).

As a methodologist, she has developed new ways for comparing full distributions of data (rather than means or proportions) in order to investigate population-level risk factors and propose population-level interventions. As a social epidemiologist, her work on race-associated differences in health outcomes goes beyond documenting those differences to vigorously investigating the structural causes of the differences. As a teacher, her allegories on race and racism illuminate topics that are otherwise difficult for many Americans to understand or discuss.

Dr. Jones was an assistant professor at the Harvard School of Public Health from 1994 to 2000, and is currently an adjunct associate professor at both the Morehouse School of Medicine and the Rollins School of Public Health. She is a member of the World Health Organization’s Scientific Resource Group on Equity and Health and the National Board of Public Health Examiners, and recently completed service on the Executive Board of the American Public Health Association, the board of directors of the American College of Epidemiology, and the board of directors of the National Black Women’s Health Project.

THE HONORABLE ROBIN KELLY, PH.D., M.A.

Congresswoman Robin Kelly has dedicated her career to public service as an advocate for Illinois families. Since being elected to serve the 2nd Congressional District in 2013, she has worked to expand economic opportunity, community wellness, and public safety across the state, championing numerous initiatives to generate job growth, reduce health disparities, and end gun violence.
Congresswoman Kelly is a Member of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee (the main investigative body of the House), and serves as the Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Information Technology, where she has focused her efforts on improving cyber-security, strengthening IT-infrastructure, and encouraging new and emerging technologies. Kelly also serves on the Oversight Committee’s Subcommittee on Health Care, Benefits, and Administrative Rules.

As the senior Illinois representative on the House Foreign Affairs Committee, the Congresswoman has laid out a forward-thinking foreign policy vision for the United States and has been an outspoken proponent of diplomacy, international human rights and the need for clear and thoughtful American leadership abroad.

A staunch champion of common sense gun reforms and responsible community policing, Representative Kelly is a Co-Chair of the Congressional Gun Violence Prevention Taskforce, was tapped to sit on the House Task Force on Community-Police Relations, and is the author of the 2014 Kelly Report on Gun Violence in America, the first-ever Congressional analysis of the nation’s gun violence epidemic that offers a blueprint for ending the crisis.

Committed to improving the health and wellness of vulnerable communities across the country, the Congresswoman serves as the Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus Health Braintrust and Co-Chairs the Congressional Caucus on Black Women and Girls. She also Co-Chairs the House Democratic Budget Group and Congressional Diversifying Technology Caucus.

Prior to her election to Congress, Kelly was a member of the Illinois House of Representatives, served as Chief Administrative Officer of Cook County (the second largest county in the United States) and was Chief of Staff to Illinois State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias — becoming the first African American woman to serve as Chief of Staff to an elected constitutional statewide officeholder.

The daughter of a small business owner and postal worker, Congresswoman Kelly moved to Illinois after high school to attend Bradley University in Peoria, where she earned her B.A. in psychology and an M.A. in counseling. She later received a Ph.D. in political science from Northern Illinois University. She lives in Matteson with her husband, Dr. Nathaniel Horn, and has two adult children, Kelly and Ryan.

**RICHARD KILLINGSWORTH, M.P.H.**

A collaborative leader with extensive experience in multiple health promotion, public health, and health care settings. Made significant contributions in health promotion by advising projects in over 300 communities; presenting at over 100 national conferences; authoring over 30 publications; and collaborating on research with the Centers for Disease Control, National Institutes of Health, National Academy of Sciences, and the World Health Organization. Coordinated legislation and national efforts with the White House, Secretary of HHS, and Congress. Provided Congressional testimony and technical assistance to federal agencies, national organizations, state and municipal agencies and elected officials that shaped national health policy. Directed several multi-million dollar health promotion initiatives and managed assets up to $240 million. Leadership philosophy is shaped by a commitment to servant leadership, civic participation, lifelong education, and a healthy lifestyle.

**ANTHONY V. KING, MHSA**

Anthony V. King’s interest in health care administration stemmed from the encouragement in his upbringing to better the lives of family and others. The native Detroiter’s nearly 20-year work history encompasses vast, diverse leadership experience in the health care industry. Currently, he serves as the Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director for The Wellness Plan Medical Centers. In a brief period of time, he’s had several major accomplishments, including the obtainment of the Federally Qualified Health Center Look-Alike Center status, while simultaneously increasing revenue. Among his previous positions, he has served as President/CEO of the Family Health Center, Inc. (Kalamazoo County Health Plan Corporation); President, Saint Mary’s Health Management Company (Medical Center of Trinity Health); and Director of Ambulatory Care Services. Mr. King has a Master’s of Health Service Administration, University of Michigan; Bachelor of
Science, Psychology University of Michigan. His professional affiliations include the current President of the National Association of Health Services; and American College of Healthcare Executives, current Fellow and former Chairman-Membership Committee.

ALYCE KUKLINSKI, N.P., R.N.

As General Manager at Clinical Care Options (CCO), Alyce oversees sales, operations, administration, and editorial functions for key therapeutic areas. Prior to joining CCO, Alyce spent over ten years at priCME (the ACCME-accredited arm of Pri-Med), where she built and led the company’s editorial team, and contributed to the securing of multiple accreditations, including the company’s 2012 ACCME accreditation with commendation. As a medical director at priCME, she also developed and implemented educational outcomes methodologies and reporting strategies and developed numerous CME-certified educational activities across a variety of therapeutic areas. Alyce is a board-certified nurse practitioner with clinical experience in both adult and OB-GYN practice settings.

NICOLETTE A. LOUSSAINT, PH.D.

Nicolette A. Louissaint, Ph.D. serves as the Executive Director of Healthcare Ready. Prior to this position, Nicolette served as a Foreign Affairs Officer at the U.S. Department of State in the Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs. As the lead officer for health intellectual property and trade issues, she advised the State Department’s leadership on issues related to public health, technology transfer and biotechnology. She also worked on policies related to pharmaceutical counterfeiting, pharmaceutical trade, supply chain, climate change and other science and technology development issues.

During the height of the Ebola Epidemic of 2014, Nicolette served as the Senior Advisor to the State Department’s Special Coordinator for Ebola. In this role, she was responsible for coordinating international efforts as the U.S. Department of State’s Ebola Coordination Unit jumpstarted the diplomatic response to the epidemic. She contributed to efforts to raise more than $1 billion in donations to the United Nations Multi-Partner Trust Fund from stakeholders around the world towards the response.

Nicolette holds Bachelors of Science degrees in Chemical Engineering and Biological Sciences from Carnegie Mellon University. She earned a Ph.D. in Pharmacology and Molecular Sciences, specializing in HIV Clinical Pharmacology from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. She completed post-doctoral fellowships at the Johns Hopkins University and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

NIVA LUBIN-JOHNSON, M.D.

Niva Lubin-Johnson, M.D., FACP, a dedicated physician who has been an advocate of quality health care for all, especially the underserved and underrepresented, was elected President-Elect of the National Medical Association (NMA) on August 2, 2017. She will be installed as the 119th NMA President on August 14, 2018. Dr. Lubin-Johnson has been an active member of the NMA for over thirty (30) years.

Since the founding of the National Medical Association in 1895, Dr. Lubin-Johnson will become only the third person, and the first female, to serve as President, Speaker, and Chair of the Board of Trustees.

Dr. Lubin-Johnson received her B.S. Degree in Pharmacy from Creighton University and her medical degree from Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, where she was distinguished as a member of the last class to finish within a three-year time frame. Dr. Lubin-Johnson completed Internal Medicine residency at St. Joseph’s Hospital, Chicago, and has been in private practice for 28 years (in the neighborhood where she grew up and currently resides). She is currently a senior attending physician at Mercy Hospital and Medical Center, associate attending at Advocate Trinity Hospital, and a clinical instructor at the University of Illinois. Dr. Lubin-Johnson has participated on several boards and committees at both hospitals, including the Performance Improvement and Quality Assurance
Committees and Executive Medical Board at Mercy Hospital and Advocate-Trinity Physician Hospital Organization Board and the Trinity Medical Staff Peer Review, Medical Records, and Information Technology Committees. She has served for nine (9) years on the Board of the Independent Physicians at Mercy, and currently as Vice-Chair.

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In 2009, she was appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee for the Cook County Health System Board, in 2012 was elected to serve as Secretary and Vice-Chair, 2014. Dr. Lubin was elected to serve on the Medical Executive Committee (MEC) as an at-large member at Advocate Trinity Hospital and now serves as Treasurer for the MEC and, also a member of the Medical Records Committee and Development Council.

She has lectured extensively in numerous health forums. Dr. Lubin-Johnson is the recipient of numerous awards including the Illinois Committee of Concerned Blacks in Higher Education Trustee Award; Midwest Community Council—Nancy B. Jefferson Community Service Award; Dollars and Sense Magazine Best and Brightest Women in Medicine; the Kizzy Award—Black Women’s Hall of Fame Foundation, the Student National Medical Association Award for Leadership and Service, and the Top Ladies of Distinction Orchid Award for Outstanding Women in Medicine.

Dr. Lubin-Johnson is proud member of Trinity United Church of Christ, and a life member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. She is married to Joseph Johnson and they reside on the south side of Chicago.

JULIANNE MALVEAUX, PH.D.

Dr. Malveaux has long been recognized for her progressive and insightful observations. She is a labor economist, noted author, and colorful commentator. Julianne Malveaux has been described by Dr. Cornel West as “the most iconoclastic public intellectual in the country.” Her contributions to the public dialogue on issues such as race, culture, gender, and their economic impacts are shaping public opinion in 21st century America.


Dr. Julianne Malveaux has been a contributor to academic life since receiving her Ph.D. in economics from MIT in 1980. She has been on the faculty or visiting faculty of the New School for Social Research, San Francisco State University, the University of California (Berkeley), College of Notre Dame (San Mateo, California), Michigan State University and Howard University. She holds honorary degrees from Sojourner Douglass College (Baltimore, Maryland), Marygrove College (Detroit, Michigan), University of the District of Columbia, and Benedict College (Columbia, South Carolina). She received her bachelor’s and master’s degrees in economics at Boston College.

During her time as the 15th President of Bennett College for Women, Dr. Julianne Malveaux was the architect of exciting and innovative transformation at America’s oldest historically black college for women. Under her leadership, the administration identified four key focus areas: women’s leadership, entrepreneurship, excellence in communications, and global awareness. In the five short years of her presidency, Bennett College successfully received a 10-year reaffirmation
of its accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, markedly improved existing facilities, embarked on a $21 million capital improvements program—which marked the first major campus construction in more than 25 years—and in fall 2009 enjoyed an historic enrollment high.

Currently, Dr. Malveaux is the Honorary Co-Chair of the Social Action Commission of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated and serves on the boards of the Economic Policy Institute as well as The Recreation Wish List Committee of Washington, DC. A native San Franciscan, she is the President and owner of Economic Education a 501 c-3 non-profit headquartered in Washington, D.C.

EDITH P. MITCHELL, M.D.

Edith P. Mitchell, M.D., is Clinical Professor of Medicine and Medical Oncology and Program Leader in Gastrointestinal Oncology at Thomas Jefferson University. In addition, she holds the positions of Associate Director of Diversity Programs for the Kimmel Cancer Center at Jefferson and Director of the Kimmel Cancer Center to Eliminate Cancer Disparities. Dr. Mitchell received a B.S. in biochemistry “with distinction” from Tennessee State University and her medical degree from the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond. In 1973, while attending medical school, Dr. Mitchell entered the Air Force and received a commission through the Health Professions Scholarship Program. She entered active duty after completion of her internship and residency in Internal Medicine at Meharry Medical College and a fellowship in Medical Oncology at Georgetown University.

Dr. Mitchell has authored and co-authored more than 100 articles, book chapters, and abstracts on cancer treatment, prevention, and cancer control. As a distinguished researcher, she has received 21 Cancer Research and Principal Investigator Awards, and serves on the National Cancer Institute Review Panel and the Cancer Investigations Review Committee.

In addition to her medical achievements, Dr. Mitchell is a retired Brigadier General having served as the Air National Guard Assistant to the Command Surgeon for US Transportation command and headquarters Air Mobility Command based at the Scott Air Force Base in Illinois. She has been awarded over fifteen military service medals and ribbons including the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Achievement and Commendation Medals, National Defense Service Medal, and Humanitarian Service Medal. Dr. Mitchell was selected for inclusion in America’s Top Oncologists.

ROGER A. MITCHELL, M.D.

Dr. Roger Mitchell Jr. is board certified in Anatomic and Forensic Pathology by the American Board of Pathology. He is a Fellow with the National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME). Dr. Mitchell sits on national subcommittees for NAME including Education & Planning and Strategic Planning.

He is a graduate of Howard University, Washington DC, and UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School, Newark, NJ. Dr. Mitchell is licensed to practice medicine in New Jersey and Washington DC. He has performed over 1300 autopsy examinations in his career and has testified as an expert on numerous cases.

He began the study of forensic science and violence prevention as a Forensic Biologist for the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) - DNA Unit in January 1997 at the FBI Headquarters Building.

Dr. Mitchell served 4 years as the Assistant Deputy Chief Medical Examiner, in charge of Medicolegal Death Investigations, at the Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences prior to serving 2 years as the Regional Medical Examiner for the Northern Regional Medical Examiner Office in Newark, NJ. Dr. Mitchell has served in large cities such as New York City, Houston, and Newark, NJ.

Dr. Mitchell has great interest in violence as a public health issue. He believes the medical examiner serves a critical role in public health prevention initiatives and continues to be at the forefront of issues relating to Elder Abuse & Neglect and Youth Violence.

PAUL MOURAVIEFF

Accomplished professional with over twelve years of development experience in higher-education and non-profit...
organizations. Extensive work in bio-medical and health sciences, health outcomes & economics, material sciences, biochemistry, and neurosciences. Broad experience with capital campaign strategies, communications, multidisciplinary initiatives, public private partnerships, principal/ major gifts, corporate fundraising, foundation grant proposals, board development and stewardship. Appointments as chief liaison for institutional leadership with executive/advisory board members.

KIM NOBLE
Kim Noble, Director of National Partnerships for Green for All. Kim builds and manages relationships with the Administration, Congress, and with national environmental and progressive organizations and coalitions. She also helps shape the organization’s national policy agenda. Prior to this role, she served as an executive aide and program associate for the organization. Kim attended Fort Valley State University and received her B.A. in Mass Communications. She has spent the majority of her career assisting children and families as a parent educator and later as a program manager and training director for resource centers in the Maryland Child Care Resource Network. She is passionate about making sure children are in a safe environment and families have access to available local, state and federal resources. Kim also enjoys photography and reading and is an avid walker.

JAMES H. POWELL, M.D.
Dr. James H. Powell receive the M.D. and training in Clinical Pharmacology from Cornell University Medical College. He retired from 24 years in the pharmaceutical industry in 2006. He is Principal Investigator for the National Medical Association’s Project IMPACT (Increase Minority Participation and Awareness of Clinical Trials)—a national effort to educate physicians and consumers on clinical research participation. He was a member of US DHHS Secretary’s Advisory Committee for Human Research Protection, and a member of the National Library of Medicine Board of Regents ClinicalTrials.gov Working Group. He has authored many publications and conducted numerous lectures/presentations on basic and clinical research. As President of Strategic Medical Associates, he is focused on process and technological innovation to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, and inclusion in clinical trials.

SYDNEY V. ROSS-DAVIS, M.D.
Dr. Sydney V. Ross-Davis, formerly the Chief Medical Officer at North American Medical Management of Illinois, Inc. Dr. Ross-Davis joined the NAMM-IL Executive Team in setting strategic direction, enhancing existing products and services, and developing new programs and opportunities. She has primary responsibility for the clinical oversight and medical management of the UM/QM, Population Health and Case Management programs. She is a Board Certified Internist with over 20 years of clinical experience. Dr. Ross-Davis came to NAMM-IL from Healthcare Service Corporation (HCSC), the parent company of Blue Cross Blue Shield Illinois (BCBSIL), where she has held several leadership roles since beginning her tenure in 2003. She served as Program Lead for ANSI 5010/ICD-10 for HCSC’s 10 million members in four states. Prior to joining HCSC, Dr. Ross-Davis served as Associate Medical Director at Tinley Park Mental Health Center in Tinley Park, Ill., and co-founder of the consulting firm InCA, Inc., which specialized in physician office practice efficiency. Dr. Ross-Davis also worked for Advocate Health as a Medical Director and Michael Reese HMO as a clinician. Dr. Ross-Davis is a member of the AMA, ACP/ASIM, National Medical Association, the Cook County Physician’s Association and former chair of the NMA Medical Administration Section. She is a graduate of University of Chicago Undergraduate College and Northwestern University Medical School.
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KRUPA SIVAMURTHY, M.D.

Dr. Krupa Sivamurthy is a Pediatric Hematologist-Oncologist and a Medical Director in Hematology at Pfizer. She has an M.D. from MS Ramaiah Hospital, Bangalore, India, where she completed a General Pediatric residency. Dr. Sivamurthy completed a second General Pediatric residency at Albert Einstein Medical Center, Philadelphia, followed by a Pediatric Hematology-Oncology fellowship from St. Christopher’s Hospital for Children, Philadelphia.

Prior to joining Pfizer, Dr. Sivamurthy was an Attending Physician in Pediatric Hematology at St Christopher’s Hospital and the Marian Anderson Comprehensive Sickle Cell Center.

FATIMA CODY STANFORD, M.D., M.P.A., M.P.H.

Dr. Fatima Cody Stanford is an Instructor of Medicine and Pediatrics who specializes in the care of adults, adolescents, and children with overweight and obesity. After completing her fellowship in obesity medicine & nutrition at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) and Harvard Medical School (HMS) and a Zuckerman fellowship as a mid-career Master of Public Administration student at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government in 2015, she joined the faculty where Dr. Stanford provides clinical care, supervises trainees, administers a clinic, and conducts research on obesity, health policy, and health disparities to enhance knowledge and quality of patient care.

Dr. Stanford is currently working to promote recognition of overweight and obesity in MGH by working with electronic medical record teams to ensure that these diagnoses are auto-populated in the appropriate medical records. She has helped to develop a standardized approach for the use of weight loss pharmacotherapy for adults and has assisted with the development of the pediatric treatment program. Dr. Stanford has utilized weight loss medication after bariatric surgery, and she is helping to disseminate information on its use for weight regain and subclinical weight loss. She received invitations to speak on the topic of obesity at local, regional, and national meetings. Dr. Stanford serves as a peer reviewer for several medical journals on the topic of obesity, nutrition, physical activity, public health, health disparities, and health policy.

AARON VANDERVELDE, M.B.A.

Aaron Vandervelde has over 12 years of experience providing strategy, health policy and litigation consulting services to clients in the healthcare industry. He specializes in financial and economic analysis of health policy and provides litigation consulting services related to issues arising from contracts and transactions between healthcare entities and with the federal government. Specifically, he focuses on deriving strategic insight through the integration and analysis of large, complex data sets including claims data, risk adjustment data, internal and external sales data and publicly available health data.

Mr. Vandervelde’s practice is focused primarily on clients across the healthcare continuum, including Fortune 500 health insurers, pharmaceutical manufacturers and biotech companies, PBMs, and others. He has advised clients in a variety of federal investigations, contract disputes, litigation, and strategic health policy analyses.

He received his BBA in 1998 from the College of William and Mary and his MBA in 2004 from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

MONIQUE WILSON, M.P.H.

Monique Wilson is a highly accomplished senior nonprofit healthcare professional, of fifteen years, with a strong background in policy development, community engagement strategies, healthcare quality initiatives, development, and volunteer leadership.
management. Mrs. Wilson is a graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi. There she obtained her undergraduate degree in biological sciences and her master’s degree in Public Health. She has served in many positions within the American Heart Association, including Community Heart & Stroke Director, AL Health Alliance Director, AL Advocacy Director, Health Equity Regional Director for AL & LA, Sr. Multicultural Initiatives Director, and Regional Vice President of Multicultural Initiatives. Her work in various sectors of the organization has allowed her extensive exposure and experience to healthcare as it relates to cardiovascular disease. In her current role, as Vice President of Multicultural Initiatives, Mrs. Wilson works with fellow staff, volunteers and likeminded organizations and alliances to impact the health of African American & Hispanic populations in the southeast region of the county. The includes developing and implementing strategies to change environments from toxic to healthy, allowing safer, easier, and more affordable access to nutritious foods and places to exercise. Additionally, Mrs. Wilson leads her organization’s regional strategy to address social determinates of health by aligning with key partners to support initiatives, programs and resources that safeguard health equity.

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