The Health of the Black Family

18th Annual Colloquium on African American Health

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Welcome from the President of the National Medical Association

Dear Colloquium participants:

You are about to embark on what should be an educational experience on healthcare for African Americans, which hopefully will be fulfilling to your appetite for information about the latest developments on the scene since the Trump Administration took center stage on January 20, 2017. In addition, we plan to provide plenty of ingredients in the medical, scientific, and health policy arenas that will satisfy your taste for facts that will be useful to you in your particular field of endeavor. We intend to stimulate your zest for the latest cutting edge updates on best practices as well as concerns about the HEALTH OF THE BLACK FAMILY, which is our central theme for this Colloquium. We intend to feed you a diet rich in substance that you can bite into to savor the unique flavor of the African American experience in Medicine, which is like no other on the planet.

All of this is intended to give you, as a provider of healthcare to the black family, the correct tools to deal with our own in a way that we know the current “leaders” in healthcare cannot and will not. As the late, great Mississippi Civil Rights activist Fannie Lou Hamer said long ago about the black family, “we’re sick and tired of being sick and tired”. To fast forward from that declaration, we need to become our own saviors and develop a sense of what I call “healthcare autonomy;” this implies that we will develop the resources and capability to take care of our own medical needs. This is not to suggest that blacks should isolate ourselves from involvement by others. It means that we must take charge of our own medical destiny and not leave decisions about our healthcare up to those who do not have a stake in whether we survive as a people or not. It does not make sense to place our fate in the hands of those who literally do not have any “skin in the game”.

When I became NMA President last year, I pledged to you that I would lead the development of NMA 3.0, which I defined as a smarter, more technologically efficient, and more caring organization that would focus on the fact that BLACK LIVES MATTER. I believe that this Colloquium will demonstrate that we are well on the way to doing that through eradicating healthcare disparities, neutralizing cultural incompetence, increasing diversity, and erasing racism. We do so in the spirit of our revered late past president Richard O. Butcher, MD, who epitomized these principles. I hope that you will scoop up large servings of our messages and will take them home to be used for the benefit of our communities of color, so that one day, our people will no longer be sick and tired. You as healthcare providers are the key to that future.

Richard Allen Williams, MD, FACC, FAHA, FACP
117th President, National Medical Association
This Colloquium is dedicated to the memory of the late Richard O. Butcher, M.D.

Dr. Richard O. Butcher was installed as the 91st President of the National Medical Association (NMA) in 1992. He served the NMA with enthusiasm and excellence, and was a champion of diversity, health literacy and health equity. Dr. Butcher was also a well-respected Family Physician for almost 50 years in the San Diego area, who practiced with his partner and friend Dr. Rodney Hood, also a Past President of the NMA and established the Multicultural Health Foundation, which provided humanitarian outreach to the community through the Careview Medical Group, which Dr. Butcher served as Medical Director. In recognition of the outstanding care of his patients and his dedication to the underserved community, Dr. Butcher received one of the highest honors given by the NMA, the Practitioner of the Year award, given in 2015 at the NMA Annual Convention and Scientific Assembly in Detroit, Michigan.

Dr. Butcher was a great physician, humanitarian, and mentor. Everyone who met him was touched by his kindness, humility, and infectious smile.

On a personal note, I am indebted to Richard B., as I called him, for the wise counsel that he always provided to me regarding NMA affairs. I could always rely on him to give me the best advice and help regarding sensitive matters. I will miss his wit and humor, too. I ask all members of the National Medical Association to join GiGi and me in extending our deepest and most sincere condolences to Vickie and their five children and family on the final transition of this truly great man who will be forever missed by all.

Richard Allen Williams, M.D.
117th President, National Medical Association
Historical Overview

The National Medical Association (NMA) convened its inaugural National Colloquium on African American Health in October of 1999. Chaired by NMA President Gary C. Dennis, the preeminent ambition of the first Colloquium was simply to equip this generation of health care advocates in their struggle to reduce or eliminate racial and ethnic disparities in healthcare.

The reason for selecting this mission was just as straightforward: African Americans were—and continue to be—disproportionately represented on virtually every health index. The negative impact of health disparities in many preventable and treatable conditions are well documented, with deleterious consequences for the quality of life of African Americans.

Whereas the picture has improved since 1999, the gains are marginal when compared to the general population. As such, Colloquium continues to be a leadership training and advocacy forum, structured to conduct focused exploration of critical health policy issues that impact African Americans. Colloquium also provides a platform for the development of NMA health policy positions to be advanced at the local, state, and federal levels. The focus is to build an “army” of health advocates. Since 1999, the Colloquium has trained thousands of physicians and other health professional advocates. These individuals, in turn, have worked to advocate for health policies that address the needs of their communities and patients.

Program Goal, Purpose, and Format

Now in its eighteenth iteration the 2017 Colloquium theme is “The Health of the Black Family,” and will focus on attainment of optimal health care outcomes for all people, with special focus on the underserved. The format will include keynote presentations and panels discussing barriers contributing to inequities and disparities, and provide a systematic approach to promote wellness by prevention and management of disease. Because the interrelationship of multiple factors influencing health care, the 18th Colloquium has organized a stellar group of speakers and panelists from diverse disciplines who will guide the audience in ideas that transform health care delivery leading toward equity.

Program Objectives

1. Describe challenges facing health care in African Americans.
2. Discuss educational initiatives for clinicians, administrators, policy makers, and other community stakeholders.
3. Describe strategies for design, implementation, and assessment of health care programs specific for diverse communities.
4. Examine the impact of patient and community advocates in health care transformation.
5. Examine the role of government and policy makers in health care determinants.
6. Describe examples of specific healthcare programs and best practices.
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The National Medical Association designates this live activity for a maximum of 12.5 AMA PRA Category 1 credits™. Physicians should only claim the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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

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AGENDA

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2017
BEVERLY HILTON HOTEL – WILSHIRE BALLROOM

8:00 am–8:30 am  Registration, Breakfast, and Networking with Exhibitors

8:30 am–9:00 am  Welcome and Introductions
Garfield A.D. Clunie, M.D.
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9:00 am–10:00 am  Overview: The Health of the Black Family
Shaun Harper (Invited)
University of Southern California

10:00 am–11:30 am  Violence and the Police Use of Force: Preview of the NMA White Paper
Moderator: Warren James Strudwick Jr, M.D.
National Medical Association
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Panelists:
Roger A. Mitchell, M.D.
Co-Chair, NMA Working Group on Gun Violence and the Police Use of Force
Chief Medical Examiner
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*Former Chief of Police*
*Petersburg, Virginia*

Deborah Prothrow-Stith, M.D.
*Dean, College of Medicine*
*Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science*
*Los Angeles, CA*

**11:30 am–12:30 pm  The COBB Institute Consensus Panel on HIV/AIDS – Part II**

**Moderator:** Randall C. Morgan, M.D., M.B.A.
*Executive Director, W. Montague Cobb/NMA Health Institute*
*Past President, National Medical Association*
*Sarasota, FL*

**Panelists:**
- Gail Wyatt, Ph.D.
  *Professor of Psychology*
  *University of California, Los Angeles*
  *Los Angeles, CA*
- Wilbert Jordan, M.D.
  *HIV/AIDS Specialty Co-Chair, Internal Medicine Section*
  *National Medical Association*
  *Director, Oasis Clinic*
  *Professor of Infectious Diseases,*
  *Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science*
  *Los Angeles, CA*
- Virginia A. Caine, M.D.
  *Region IV Trustee, National Medical Association*
  *Associate Professor of Medicine*
  *Infectious Disease Division, Indiana School of Medicine*
  *Director, Marion County Public Health Department*
  *Indianapolis, IN*

**12:30 pm–1:00 pm  Break for Lunch and Networking with Exhibitors**

**1:00 pm–2:00 pm  Plenary Luncheon**

**Future of ACA: Impact on Black Health and Life After Repeal**

**Moderator:** Richard Allen Williams, M.D.
*President, National Medical Association*
*Los Angeles, California*

**Panelists:**
- Jewel Mullen, M.D., M.P.H., M.P.A. (Invited)
  *Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health*
  *HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health*
  *Washington, DC*
Wm. Jahmal Miller, M.H.A.
Deputy Director - Office of Health Equity
California Department of Public Health
Sacramento, CA

Sylvia Gates Carlisle M.D.
Carlisle Medical Management
Los Angeles, CA

2:00 pm–2:45 pm  Eliminating Healthcare Disparities in Clinical Trials: How Clinical Trials Are Related to Saving Black Lives

Moderator: Brandi K. Freeman, M.D., M.S.
Secretary, House of Delegates
National Medical Association
Denver, Colorado

Panelists: Marsha B. Henderson, MCRP
Assistant Commissioner
Office of Women's Health
U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Silver Spring, MD

Rueben C. Warren, D.D.S., M.P.H., Dr. P.H., M.Div
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National Center for Bioethics in Research and Health Care
Tuskegee University

John J. Whyte, M.D., M.P.H.
Director of Professional Affairs and Stakeholder Engagement
U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Silver Spring, MD

2:45 pm–3:15 pm  Environmental and Climate Issues: Health and Life Concerns for the Black Population

Moderator: Jeffery K. Clark, M.D.
Region IV Trustee
National Medical Association
Bloomfield Hills, MI

Panelists: Mark A. Mitchell, M.D., M.P.H.
Co-Chair, Commission on Environmental Health
Chair, Council on Medical Legislation
National Medical Association
Hartford, CT

Katrina Peters, M.D.
Chair, Region VI
National Medical Association
Oakland, CA

3:15 pm–4:00 pm  Adverse Drug Pricing and the Threat to the Health and Lives of Black and Elderly Patients: What Can We Do?

Moderator: Doris Browne, M.D.
President-Elect
National Medical Association
Washington, DC
Panelists: Mark Morgan, M.B.A.
   Executive Director
   US Value and Access
   Amgen, Inc.
   Los Angeles, CA

Gerald Jackson PharmD, Rph
   Aeon Global Health & D2 Laboratories
   Tampa, FL

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  Caught in the Cross-Hairs of the Opioid Crisis: Can the Black Community Survive?
Moderator: P. Grace Harrell, M.D.
   Region I Trustee
   National Medical Association
   Cambridge, MA

Panelists: Edwin C. Chapman, M.D.
   Internal Medicine
   Washington, DC

Melissa Clarke, M.D.
   Howard University College of Medicine
   Washington, DC

Judge Arthur L. Burnett, Sr., J.D. (Invited)
   National Executive Director
   National African American Drug Policy Coalition, Inc.
   Formerly Superior Court of the District of Columbia
   Washington, DC

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm  President’s Reception
(Open to all registered attendees)
Starlight Ballroom, Beverly Hilton
Sponsored by Northwestern Mutual

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2017
BEVERLY HILTON HOTEL – WILSHIRE BALLROOM

7:30 am – 8:00 am  Registration, Breakfast, and Networking with Exhibitors

8:00 am – 9:00 am  Breastfeeding as an Approach to Chronic Disease Prevention
Moderator: Roland Matthews, M.D.
   Chair, Obstetrics and Gynecology Section
   National Medical Association
   Chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology
   Morehouse School of Medicine
   Atlanta, GA

Presenter: Camille A. Clare, M.D., M.P.H.
   Chair, Region I, National Medical Association
   Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, New York Medical College
   New York, NY
9:00 am – 10:30 am  **The Black Medical Student Pipeline Crisis: Synergy of a Strong Action Plan**  
**Moderator:** David Carlisle, M.D., Ph.D.  
*President*  
*Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science*  
*Los Angeles, CA*  

**Presenters:**  
Ronald Copeland, M.D.  
*Senior Vice President & Chief Diversity & Inclusion Officer*  
*Kaiser Permanente*  
*Oakland, CA*  
Christen Johnson  
*President, Student National Medical Association*  
*M.D./M.P.H. Candidate*  
*Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine*  
*Dayton, OH*  
Deborah Prothrow-Stith, M.D.  
*Dean, College of Medicine*  
*Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science*  
*Los Angeles, CA*  

10:30 am – 11:00 am  **President’s Message - The State of the NMA**  
Richard Allen Williams, M.D.  
*President, National Medical Association*  
*Professor of Medicine, University of California, Los Angeles*  
*Founder, Association of Black Cardiologists*  
*Founder, Minority Health Institute*  
*Los Angeles, CA*  

11:00 am – 11:30 am  **Keynote Address**  
*Hospitals and Their Communities: Providing Excellent Community Care in Today’s Economy*  
Joel Freedman  
*President and Founder*  
*Paladin Healthcare Capital and Paladin Healthcare Management*  
*President and Co-founder of Avanti Hospitals*  
*El Segundo, CA*  

11:30 am – 12:00 pm  **Achieving Health Equity in Interventional Services for African American and Latino Children on the Autism Spectrum**  
**Moderator:** Oliver T. Brooks, M.D.  
*Speaker, House of Delegates*  
*National Medical Association*  
*Lakewood, CA*  

**Presenter:** Khadijah L. Lang, M.D.  
*President, Golden State Medical Association*  
*Medical Director*  
*Lang Family Practice*  
*Los Angeles CA*  

12:00 pm – 12:15 pm  **Break for Lunch and Networking with Exhibitors**
12:15 pm–1:15 pm  **Plenary Luncheon**  
**Moonshot and the Impact on Disparities in Cancer**  
(Non-CME presentation)  

**Moderator:** Edith P. Mitchell, M.D.  
*Immediate 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*  
*Philadelphia, PA*

**Panelists:**  
Eleanor M. Walker, M.D.  
*Senior Staff Physician, Henry Ford Cancer Institute*  
*Division Director Breast Services, Department of Radiation Oncology*  
*Henry Ford Health System*  
*Detroit, MI*

Derek Bryan Clark, DMin, MDiv  
*Senior Director and Team Leader*  
*Key Account Management, Western United States*  
*Pfizer Oncology*  
*Los Angeles, CA*

1:15 pm–1:30 pm  **Break - Networking with Exhibitors**

1:30 pm–2:30 pm  **Cardiovascular Disease - Association of Black Cardiologists Presentation**  

**Moderator:** Yolanda Lawson, M.D.  
*Region V Trustee*  
*National Medical Association*  
*Dallas, TX*

**Panelists:**  
Barbara Hutchinson, M.D., Ph.D.  
*President, Association of Black Cardiologists*  
*Managing Partner, Chesapeake Cardiac Care, PA*  
*Annapolis, MD*

Felix O. Sogade, M.D.  
*Board Chairman, Association of Black Cardiologists*  
*CEO, Georgia Arrhythmia Consultants and Research Institute*  
*Director of Electrophysiology and Physician Co-Management Navicent Health*  
*Associate Professor of Medicine*  
*Mercer University School of Medicine*  
*Macon, GA*

Robert Gillespie, M.D.  
*Immediate Past Board Chairman*  
*Association of Black Cardiologists*  
*Director, Nuclear Imaging Department*  
*Sharp Rees-Stealy Medical Group*  
*San Diego, CA*
2:30 pm–3:00 pm  
**Advancing Integrative Medicine - Benefits to the Black Community**

**Moderator:** Rachel Villanueva, M.D.  
*Vice Speaker, House of Delegates*  
*National Medical Association*  
*New York, NY*

**Presenter:** I. Jean Davis-Hatcher, Ph.D., P.A., DC HIVAA  
*Professor of Clinical Research*  
*Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science*  
*Los Angeles, CA*

3:00 pm–3:15 pm  
**Break (change meeting rooms – move to Whittier Ballroom)**

3:15 pm–3:45 pm  
**Community Outreach Using New Technology (TeleMedicine,EHR) in the Digital Age**

**Moderator:** Vernon Ross, M.D.  
*Chair, Committee on Financial and Administrative Affairs*  
*House of Delegates*  
*National Medical Association*  
*Winston-Salem, NC*

**Panelists:**  
Donald R. Henderson, M.D., M.P.H.  
*Internist, Telemedicine Consultant*  
*Cedar Sinai Hospital Systems*  
*Los Angeles, CA*

C. Suzanne Cutter, M.D.  
*Analyst, Digital Physician Services*  
*Charles R. Drew Medical Society*  
*Surgical Oncologist*  
*Los Angeles, CA*

3:45 pm–4:45 pm  
**Dr. Anthony Jackson Memorial Seminar**  
**Black Physician Advocacy: Developing Our Own Protection and Help Lines**

**Moderator:** Joia Crear-Perry, M.D.  
*Region V Trustee*  
*National Medical Association*  
*New Orleans, LA*

**Panelists:**  
Meryl McNeal, M.D.  
*Chair of the NMA Advocacy Committee*  
*Professor of Medicine*  
*Morehouse School of Medicine*  
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*Inglewood, CA*
William D. King, M.D., J.D., HIVAA
Past President, Charles R. Drew Medical Society
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David Geffen School of Medicine
University of California, Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA

4:45 pm–5:00 pm  Closing Remarks
Richard Allen Williams, M.D.
President, National Medical Association
Los Angeles, California

6:30 pm–10:30 pm  Annual Health Policy Awards Dinner
(Advanced ticket purchase required)
Ballroom, Beverly Wilshire Hotel
9500 Wilshire Blvd, Beverly Hills, CA 90212
Shuttle bus transportation from the Beverly Hilton will provided

Keynote Speaker
Joel Freedman
President and Founder
Paladin Healthcare Capital and Paladin Healthcare Management
President and Co-founder of Avanti Hospitals
El Segundo, CA

Award Presentations
James M. Whittico Jr, M.D. Community Service Award
Fred D. Parrott, M.D.
Founder, Real Men Cook Foundation Center for Early Detection of Prostate Cancer
Louis Stokes Health Policy Award
Bernard J. Tyson
Chairman and CEO of Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc. and Hospitals

President’s Award
Louis Gossett, Jr.
Academy Award Winning Actor
Founder, President, and Board Chair, EraCism Foundation

Musical Selections
Ms. Freda Payne, internationally acclaimed vocalist and song stylist.

SUNDAY, MARCH 65, 2017
BEVERLY HILTON HOTEL – WHITTIER BALLROOM

8:00 am–12:00 pm  NMA House of Delegates Meeting
12:00 pm–1:00 pm   NMA Region VI Business Meeting
1:00 pm–4:00 pm   Golden State Medical Association Educational Program: Understanding the Medical Board Enforcement Process (Open to all NMA & GSMA members)
BIographies

Rahn Bailey, M.D.

Rahn Bailey, M.D. is currently appointed as Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center since January 2015.

A native of Texas, Dr. Bailey received his medical degree from the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston and completed his residency in psychiatry at the University of Texas at Houston, Texas Medical Center Affiliated Hospital, where he was chief resident. He completed a fellowship in forensic psychiatry in Yale University’s Department of Psychiatry in New Haven, Connecticut. He has over 50 reviewed articles, 45 Academic Grand Rounds, four book chapters published, and authored the book, *A Doctor’s Prescription for Health Care Reform*.

Dr. Bailey is board certified in general and forensic psychiatry by the ABPN and is a diplomat of the ABFM. He has been active across interdisciplinary lines including being the Distinguished Fellow of the APA and a member of the ACP. He is currently Chairman of Membership for the APA, expanding membership and diversity. He has served as president and a member of the board of trustees of the NMA, which represents 40,000 African American physicians in the United States. He also served as president of the TPA.

A nationally known clinician/researcher specializing in inpatient care, medical education, research and forensic evaluations. Dr. Bailey has extensive experience creating and overseeing community-based programs, as well as focusing on care for the traditionally under-served. He has specialized in care for patients with complex medical/psychiatric co-morbid diagnoses and conditions.

Virginia Caine, M.D.

Virginia Caine, M.D. is Director of the Marion County Public Health Department. She is an Associate Professor of Medicine at Indiana University School of Medicine Infectious Disease Division. She served as the President for the American Public Health Association, the nation’s oldest and largest public health organization. She received the 2010 National Medical Association’s Physician of the Year Award. She recently spearheaded the Influenza Patient Visitor Restriction Hospital Policy in collaboration with the Indianapolis Patient Safety Coalition. Dr. Caine is a founding member of a collaborative effort among hospitals and the Regenstrief Institute for Health Care to sign onto the nation’s best and nationally recognized Indiana Health Information Exchange. She is a former member of the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention Bioterrorism and Emergency Preparedness Committee. She is a member of the board of trustees for the National Medical Association and current chair of the Infectious Disease Section. She is also Chair of the MESH Coalition, a nonprofit public-private partnership addressing emergency preparedness in Marion County, Indiana. Dr. Caine earned her medical degree at New York Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse. She completed her Internal Medicine residency at the University Of Cincinnati College Of Medicine. She received her Infectious Disease training at the University Of Washington in Seattle.

David Carlisle, M.D., Ph.D

David Carlisle, M.D., Ph.D, President and CEO of Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science (CDU) has spent his professional life focused on caring for the underserved, promoting diversity in the health professions, and advancing systems change in an effort to address ongoing racial and ethnic disparities in health. Under his leadership, CDU strives to improve the health status of underserved and under-resourced communities through innovative biomedical research, and progressive health policies.

Dr. Carlisle is a published author in health policy, quality of care, medical education diversity, and eliminating health disparities, and advocated for greater diversity within the health care industry as his career developed. His clinical work now revolves around caring for the underserved. For many years Dr. Carlisle has served as a volunteer doctor at the Venice Family Clinic and is presently a member of its Foundation Board.
He is the past Director of the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) where he served for eleven years under Governor Gray Davis, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, and Governor Jerry Brown. Under his leadership, OSHPD released its first-ever health disparities report; developed landmark legislation to develop a health workforce data collection, analysis and reporting clearinghouse; and increased scholarship and loan repayment opportunities for health providers committed to practice in underrepresented, under-resourced and underserved communities.

After graduating from Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut in 1976, he then earned his Medical Degree in 1981 from Brown University, his Master of Public Health in 1988 from UCLA, and his Ph.D. in 1992 from the UCLA Fielding School of Public Health. Dr. Carlisle is a former Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar.

Edwin C. Chapman, Sr., M.D.

Edwin C. Chapman, Sr., M.D. has practiced in Washington, DC for 38 years, specializing in Internal Medicine and Addiction Medicine. He graduated from Howard University College of Medicine, completed an internship and residency in internal medicine, and a fellowship in cardiology from historic Freedmen’s and Howard University Hospitals. He currently collaborates with the Howard University Urban Health Initiative as an adjunct assistant professor in the Department of Behavioral Health and Psychiatry investigating the complex mix of addiction, undertreated mental illness, infectious diseases (AIDS & hepatitis C), criminal behavior, and chronic diseases in which patients have 20-25 year shorter life expectancies.

Using an innovative “virtual office telemedicine design” led to a successful 2014 grant application to the DC Department of Community Health addressing the needs of opioid addicted index patients and their entire families in recognizing the impact of addiction as a “social determinant of health” and a factor leading to “toxic stress” in both family and community-wide settings. He expanded that work with the Howard University National Human Genome Center, Howard University School of Pharmacy, and Companion Dx. confirming through “precision medicine” pharmacogenomic testing that 85% of his patients were “rapid metabolizers” of buprenorphine resulting in drastic changes in dosing parameters and prior authorization recommendations for many such Medicaid patients in the District of Columbia and perhaps nationally.

Dr. Chapman is a founding member and secretary of the board of directors of the Leadership Council for Healthy Communities and medical director of the Medical Home Development Group, LLC where he is bringing a multispecialty primary care group into faith institutions using both onsite care and virtual care through televideo consultation for social work, nutritional consulting, pharmaceutical reconciliation, as well as psychiatry and primary care.

Camille Clare, M.D.

Camille Clare, M.D. assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology, she has been named interim associate dean of diversity and inclusion for the New York Medical College School of Medicine. She has been committed to addressing health inequity and healthcare disparities, illustrated by her leadership roles on the local, regional and national levels in the National Medical Association (NMA). Dr. Clare also currently serves as president of the Manhattan Central Medical Society, the local affiliate of NMA, and has served as health policy chair for the state NMA society in New York (Empire State Medical Association), where she was active in health policy advocacy and lobbying on health care disparities.

At NYMC, she has been an active member of the Taskforce on Diversity and Inclusion and subsequently, the Committee on Diversity and Inclusion, serving on the subcommittee of Faculty Recruitment and Retention since its inception. Her goals in her new role include continuing and expanding the successes of the School of Medicine (SOM) in increasing the numbers of underrepresented minorities in medicine. She also plans to address diversity issues in graduate medical education, faculty, and administration in line with the mission of the SOM so that diversity equals excellence and excellence equals diversity.

Dr. Clare is a board certified obstetrician and gynecologist and an attending physician at Metropolitan Hospital. She received her medical degree from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, and completed her obstetrics and gynecology residency at the State University of New York at Buffalo. She obtained a master of public health degree in health policy and management from New York Medical College.

Melissa E. Clarke, M.D., FACEP

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 University, the University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine, and completed residency at Georgetown University. She also earned her medical degree from Aetna, where she served as the lead physician integrating patient centered care management programs in ACOs across the country.

**Garfield Clunie, M.D.**

Garfield Clunie, M.D. is an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Science at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine. Dr. Clunie’s special interests include prenatal diagnosis of fetal anomalies, diabetes in pregnancy and fetal growth restriction. As a faculty member, Dr. Clunie supervises the OB/GYN Diagnosis and Treatment Center’s high risk clinics and ultrasound unit. Dr. Clunie is also director of the Perinatal Department at White Plains Hospital Center. After receiving a BS in Biochemistry from the State University of New York at Stony Brook, Dr. Garfield Ashford Dwight Clunie earned his medical degree from Bowman Gray School of Medicine. He completed a residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the NYU Downtown Hospital, and went on to complete a fellowship in Maternal-Fetal Medicine at Tufts-New England Medical Center. Dr. Clunie is an active member of the National Medical Association. He currently serves as the Chairperson of NMA Region I which consists of the following states and territories: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, Vermont, and the Virgin Island.

**Ronald L. Copeland, M.D., FACS**

Ronald L. Copeland, M.D., FACS is senior vice president of National Diversity and Inclusion strategy and policy and chief Diversity and Inclusion officer for Kaiser Permanente. He leads Kaiser Permanente’s efforts to ensure our strategic vision for diversity and inclusion is successfully implemented to drive strategic business and mission outcomes and results in all Kaiser Permanente members achieving health and health care outcomes that are high quality, equitable, and increasingly more affordable. A board-certified general surgeon, Dr. Copeland joined Kaiser Permanente in 1988 after a six-year honorable tour of duty in the United States Air Force Medical Corps. Dr. Copeland formerly served as president and executive medical director of Kaiser Permanente’s Ohio Permanente Medical Group. He earned his bachelor’s degree from Dartmouth College and medical degree from University of Cincinnati Medical College, and completed his residency in general surgery at State University of New York Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse. He serves on the boards of Kaiser Permanente’s School of Medicine and the National Organization on Disability, and holds advisory or committee roles with the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute, Talent Management Alliance, and the Council of U.S. Diversity and Inclusion Executives of The Conference Board.

**Benjamin Crump, Esq.**

Benjamin Crump, Esq., through his legal prowess and advocacy in the Trayvon Martin case, the Martin Lee Anderson Boot Camp case, and the Robbie Tolan US Supreme Court Case, has created a significant legal legacy that ensures that the promise found in our nation’s constitution is indeed real in every state municipality and neighborhood. His legal acumen as both litigator and advocate has ensured that those most frequently marginalized are protected by their nation’s contract with its constituency. In spite of his immense professional responsibilities, Benjamin Crump still finds time to serve his local community. He readily shares his professional and personal talents with local, statewide and national causes and charities. Mr. Crump is President and co-founder of
MyDad360, a mentoring program for fathers that has been acknowledged by President Obama’s My Brother’s Keeper Initiative and endorsed by Retired General Colin Powell. Attorney Crump believes in fighting to preserve the justice that minorities have achieved throughout the civil rights era and therefore served as General Counsel to the Florida State Conference of the NAACP, sits on the Board of the Innocence Project, and the Equal Justice Institute. Mr. Crump is a frequent speaker and author, which includes his critically acclaimed article, *The Police Don’t Shoot White Man in the Back: Representing Minorities in Police Brutality Cases*. His work has been featured in documentaries such as BET’s *I am Trayvon Martin: A Family’s Fight for Justice*, NPR’s *How Lawyer Got America Talking About Trayvon Martin*, *Beating Justice: The Martin Lee Anderson Story*, and the soon to be released, *The Ferguson Cover-Up, the Tragedy Killing of Michael Brown*.

C. SUZANNE CUTTER, M.D.

C. Suzanne Cutter, M.D. works as a Surgical Oncologist and entrepreneur based in Los Angeles while traveling domestically and internationally. She is an instinctive problem-solver, and Medicine is actually her third career. Dr. Cutter started with a career in software system development and design as a computer engineer. She then transitioned into a career in technology sales and marketing for Fortune 500 companies. After becoming an Account Executive, she took a self-directed sabbatical to study Medicine, completing General Surgery residency in New York, Cancer Research fellowship in New York, and Surgical Oncology Fellowship in Los Angeles. Her medical career is structured to allow her to travel internationally, pursue entrepreneurial interests, and provide surgical philanthropy. Her experiences with preventable diseases inspired Dr. Cutter to begin Health and Wellness coaching for busy professionals. While working with clients, she found they were seeking visionary direction and problem solving in business. Drawing on a breadth of experiences in engineering, business, medicine, entrepreneurship, and global travel, she delivers solutions to common and uncommon business dilemmas. Dr. Cutter provides vision, ideas, and strategy to transform each clients’ business.

I. JEAN DAVIS-HATCHER, PH.D., PA.

I. Jean Davis-Hatcher, Ph.D., P.A. has decades of experience as a community advocate, educator, clinician, and researcher. Her extensive education includes a B.A. in Psychobiology, a BS in Human Biology, a M.S. in Clinical Research, a Doctoral degree in Chiropractic Medicine and a Ph.D. in Preventative Medicine. She is widely known and recognized for her education, research and expertise as a primary care provider and HIV Specialist. Dr. Davis has held memberships in the Charles R Drew Medical Society, National Medical Association, Association of Black Women Physicians, American Academy of Physician Assistants, California Academy of Physician Assistants and American Academy of Public Health. She is presently an Associated Professor, Internal Medicine at Charles Drew University of Medicine and Science and Faculty Consultant at Howard University. As an educator, researcher and clinician, Dr. Davis has worked with our communities for nearly 40 years, providing training and education, community based studies, direct care and information transfer as it relates to health disparities and the enhancement of our total health (spiritual, psychological, physical, socioeconomic, environmental and judicial).

JOHN I. DIXON, III

John I. Dixon, III joined law enforcement in the 1980s. He first served in the US Marine Corps and then for 25 years as a police officer in Richmond, Virginia, rising from patrol officer to the rank of major. He served in patrol and in the narcotics and juvenile divisions. He became Chief of Police in 2007.

Mr. Dixon, III developed a passion for community engagement and empowerment, youth outreach, and human resource development. As an officer, he focused on improving the overall quality of life for the community. Confronting several challenges in the police-community relationship, Mr. Dixon, III led extensive outreach efforts in Petersburg and the surrounding areas. He implemented innovative practices including the Commonwealth of Virginia’s Lethality Assessment Protocol to prevent domestic-partner homicides, and Operation Renew with the Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Task Force to assist communities in removing unlivable structures associated with the drug trade. Known for his strong work ethic and uncompromising commitment to public safety, he was selected to sit on President Obama’s Commission on Gun Violence.

Mr. Dixon is a regular participant in public safety conferences and national speaking engagements, and is a past president of the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives.
Law Enforcement Action Partnership is a nonprofit organization composed of police, prosecutors, judges, and other criminal justice professionals who use their expertise to advance drug policy and criminal justice reforms that improve public safety. With 150 speakers across the United States, LEAP representatives reach millions of Americans each year through educational programs and media interviews.

JOEL FREEDMAN

Joel Freedman is President and Founder of Paladin Healthcare Capital and Paladin Healthcare Management. He is also President and co-founder of Avanti Hospitals, which owns and operates four hospitals in South and East Los Angeles, and manages Howard University Hospital in Washington, DC. Previous to establishing Avanti, Freedman served as the Managing Partner of Paladin Capital, an investment-banking firm where under his tenure he successfully led the completion of more than 175 transactions. He is the cofounder of Comp/West Insurance Company, a California workers compensation insurer, now a subsidiary of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

Freedman is well entrenched in the US Healthcare landscape and serves our nation in a variety of healthcare advisory roles. Freedman is a founding member of the Healthcare Policy Advisory Council for Harvard Medical School. He lends his considerable knowledge of the healthcare industry to advise Harvard’s Healthcare Markets and Regulations Lab, helping transform healthcare access and delivery locally and nationally. As a member of the Board of the Leonard D. Schaeffer Center for Health Policy and Economics at the University of Southern California he provides guidance and support for key initiatives related to measurably improving value in healthcare through evidence-based policy solutions, research excellence, transformative education, and private and public sector engagement. He is an esteemed board member for the AltaMed Health Services Foundation, the largest independent Federally Qualified Community Health Center operator in the country, serving more than 140,000 community members through 43 clinics in underserved communities throughout Los Angeles and Orange Counties.

SYLVIA GATES CARLISLE, M.D., M.B.A., FACP

Sylvia Gates Carlisle, M.D., M.B.A., FACP is Strategic Partner, Medical Director for Chroma Health Solutions, a consulting firm specializing in meeting the needs of high-risk populations.

Prior to joining Chroma Health, she served as Regional Vice President Medical Director at Anthem Blue Cross of California, responsible for Medical Management Operations including Grievance and Appeals, Credentialing and Peer Review, Utilization Management and Delegation Oversight for 188 contracted Physician Medical Groups.

She has achieved results throughout her career by analyzing data, developing and implementing programs and policies to match needs in quality improvement. She led a successful Oncology Medical Home pilot that reduced chemotherapy-related hospital admissions while improving quality metrics. Her current focus is implementing physician-led programs to reduce care gaps, improve outreach and transitions of care.

Dr. Carlisle graduated from Alpert Medical School at Brown University and completed her internal medicine training at Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center. She is board-certified in internal medicine and completed a Master’s in Business Administration at University of California at Irvine.

Dr. Carlisle is Vice Chair of the Physician Executives’ Section of the National Medical Association. She joined the National Committee on Quality Assurance’s Review Oversight Committee for Patient-Centered Medical Home accreditation in 2012. The Miller-Lawrence Medical Society honored her with the 2013 President’s Award. She served many years as a volunteer physician at the Venice Family Clinic, and was a Co-recipient of the Volunteer Physician of the Year Award. CIGNA HealthCare of Southern California honored her as the Clinician of the Year and she was honored to receive the National Health Service Corps Regional Administrator’s Award.

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

Martin Hamlette, J.D., M.H.A., 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, current healthcare reform issues, the impact of health reform 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.

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 highlighted 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 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, DC and New Jersey.

Randy W. Hawkins, M.D.

Randy W. Hawkins, M.D. has maintained a private practice in internal medicine, pulmonary medicine, and critical care in the city of Inglewood, California for thirty years. In 2015, he became a member of the Medical Board of California, appointed by Governor Edmund Brown. For the last three years he has opened the doors of his practice to Charles Drew University students as an active office site and has been a member of the Charles R. Drew Medical Society over twenty-five years, holding positions such as Treasurer and President. Being a part of Charles R. Drew Medical Society has afforded him the opportunity to mentor many students while participating in the mentorship committee. He has a passion for bringing this generation into the medical field. It is his hope that through his professional experience, he can help medical students gain insight and direction forwarding their medical careers.

Donald R. Henderson, M.D., M.P.H.

Donald R. Henderson, M.D., M.P.H. is a specialist in healthcare organization, management and delivery. His professional career includes activities in quality assurance and healthcare access. He is an expert in medical technology. Dr. Henderson is a gastroenterologist in Los Angeles, CA. His more than 20 years of clinical practice has embodied a holistic approach to patient care.

The unique interaction between mental and physical components of gastrointestinal disorders has allowed Dr. Henderson to develop a powerful formula for a healthy life. The Encore Wellness program is the product of that formula for health and longevity and we are pleased to share it with you.

Diet, nutrition and weight are key components of maintaining a healthy life. Dr. Henderson’s formula for the control of diet, nutrition and weight has provided his patients with a platform for longevity and good health.

Dr. Henderson is an Assistant Clinical Professor at UCLA Medical Center and is Medical Director of Encore Wellness & Weight Loss. He has served on the boards of Blue Shield of CA and the American Cancer Society. With expertise in the complexities of health care delivery and management, he is providing a guideline for individual long-term health and happiness.

Marsha Henderson, MCRP

Marsha Henderson, MCRP serves as the Assistant Commissioner for Women’s Health at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA). In this role, she leads women’s health research and outreach activities across the agency. She is an expert in the development of public-private partnerships and culturally appropriate consumer information. She developed the Women’s Health Take Time To Care Program which has reached over 120 million people with FDA consumer information in 18 languages, and received awards from more than 96 national organizations.

Ms. Henderson also leads new research collaborations with government, industry, and academia to promote best practices in the recruitment and retention of women in clinical trials and to advance the science of sex differences. Under her leadership, OWH released the first Women’s Health Research Roadmap at FDA which outlines seven priority areas for new or enhanced research including biomarkers, clinical trials design, nanotechnology, cardiovascular disease, and postmarket surveillance.

Ms. Henderson is a nationally recognized leader, innovator, and change agent for the health of women and their families. She is the recipient of numerous awards from professional and consumer organizations, examples include the inaugural Dr. Estelle Ramey Award for Women’s Health Leadership; the “HerMANA” Award for innovative outreach to Hispanic women, and the Pinnacle Award for exceptional leadership in enhancing health care quality and medication use for patients and caregivers. She was also the first non-pharmacist
Ms. Henderson holds a graduate degree in Planning and Public Policy with a concentration in hospital administration from Rutgers University.

BARBARA HUTCHINSON, M.D.

Barbara Hutchinson, M.D. is the managing partner of Chesapeake Cardiac Care, is a well-respected pillar in the cardiovascular medicine community, and has won numerous awards and recognitions. She received her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of the West Indies in Trinidad, and her curiosity about heart disease led her to the United States to pursue a career in cardiovascular disease management. She completed a Ph.D. in Cardiovascular Pharmacology at Howard University before going on to the University of Maryland in Baltimore, where she completed her medical degree, residency in Internal Medicine, and cardiology fellowship.

She is recognized as a detail-oriented clinician who takes the time to educate her patients on their medical condition, why they need certain tests, and what the follow-up care entails. Her reputation for extraordinary care attracts patients from all over the US, as well as from other countries and continents. She enjoys her job and it is manifested in the way she makes every patient feel special, respected, and comfortable. She listens to her patients' concerns, answers their questions, and allows them to be a part of their care by helping them to make right choices on a daily basis.

Dr. Hutchinson enjoys dedicating her spare time to helping the community. She volunteers at a clinic for individuals without insurance. She also mentors high school students considering a career in medicine and she allows residents considering cardiology as a specialty to spend time in her practice. In addition, Dr. Hutchinson is a very involved member of her church.

Gerald Jackson, PharmD, R.Ph.

Gerald Jackson, PharmD, R.Ph. has been working in public service for 23 years. He worked as a Transportation Specialist at Grant Medical Center taking patients from surgery back to their room in the 90s, and became a Patient Care Technician providing direct care to patients in a Diabetes Unit on the hospital floor within 1 year. He then pursued a career providing direct care to patients with developmental disabilities, and it was during this time that he earned a Bachelor's degree in Psychology from The Ohio State University. Shortly after obtaining a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Central Michigan University he decided to pursue a career in medicine and earned his PharmD in 2011.

I have always had a passion for genomics and how genetics played a role in drug metabolism. I have independently researched the advancements in pharmacogenomics and have spoken on the subject with many Physicians, Scientists and Health Care Professionals across the country. My passion for genetics lead me to an opportunity with AEON Global Health, MedSo and D2 Genetics. I currently work with multiple labs and offer Toxicology, Pharmacogenomics and Cancer Genomic Services.

My goal is to share the importance of genetic variances that exist in all individuals. Many Adverse Drug Events and unfavorable health outcomes are a direct result of the inability or variance to metabolize drugs. Understanding our genetic blueprint is the key to changing the arc of patient outcomes. I have helped many Physicians stop, change or adjust medications once a pharmacogenomic report has shown a variance.

WILBERT JORDAN, M.D., M.P.H.

Wilbert Jordan, M.D., M.P.H. graduated from Harvard College in 1966 and received his M.D in 1971 from Case Western Reserve University. He completed an internship and junior residency in internal medicine at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston, MA through 1972–1973. As a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar he received his M.P.H. in 1976 at UCLA and completed rotations in Internal Medicine and Infectious Diseases. HIV outreach has been a primary interest for Dr. Jordan. In 1979 he treated what later would become recognized as AIDS. He reported the first heterosexual case of AIDS in Los Angeles County in 1983. In 1984 he began the AIDS Clinic, now OASIS Clinic, at King-Drew Medical Center. He advises the CDU PAETC on training South Los Angeles HIV providers. He is a training facilitator and curriculum developer.

WILLIAM D. KING M.D., J.D., AAHIVS

William D. King M.D., J.D., AAHIVS has been a member of the Charles R. Drew Medical Society since 2001 and was Past President from 2010–2012.

Dr. King was born and raised in Los Angeles, California. Dr. King graduated with a degree in Cellular/Molecular Biology from California State University at Northridge. Dr.
King obtained dual degrees in medicine and law from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He completed an internal medicine residency at Harvard Medical School's Cambridge Hospital, where he was Chief Resident. He returned to Los Angeles, to complete two post-doctoral fellowships at University of California at Los Angeles; one of which was the prestigious Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program.

Dr. King is board certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine and has been certified as a HIV specialist by the American Academy of HIV Medicine for the past thirteen years. He is known nationally and internationally for his work in HIV/AIDS which includes lectures, peer reviewed manuscripts; book chapters and leading clinical trial investigations. Dr. King has received numerous awards for leadership, volunteerism and community support. He sits on several boards including Amigos Sin Barreras and the AAHIVM CA/Hi Steering Committee.

Six years ago, Dr. King started a private practice, five minutes from his childhood home. Dr. King is a progressive physician who is currently gathering a unique medical team that will combine evidence based Western and Eastern Medicine in order to maximize community health.

**MERYL S. MCNEAL, PH.D., M.A.**

Meryl S. McNeal, Ph.D., M.A. is the Director of Quality Enhancement Plan at Morehouse School of Medicine and holds the academic rank of Professor in the Departments of Community Health and Preventive Medicine and Medical Education at Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM). She is also the Founding Director of the Center for Community Health & Service-Learning at MSM.

Dr. McNeal has assisted in MSM’s growth by serving in several different positions for more than 30 years. Her many positions include Course Director for Community Health, a required community based service learning course for all first-year medical students at MSM. She is a successful grant administrator and grant writer which resulted in successfully obtaining federal funding from the Corporation for National and Community Service to establish the Center and to fund MSM’s student service learning and community service activities for over a 10 year period. These activities led to Dr. McNeal’s development of the MSM Model of Service-Learning, Community Service and Civic Engagement and the authorship/co-authorship of several articles.

Dr. McNeal held academic positions at the State University of New York at Buffalo, School of Medicine, Georgia State University, Morehouse College, Clark Atlanta University and Morehouse School of Medicine. Her employment experiences have included working as a reading specialist, public school teacher, management consultant, administrator, and college professor.

She is an active member of the greater Atlanta community, devoting her time and ability to organizations that support women and children.

**WILLIAM JAHMAL MILLER, M.P.H.**

William Jahmal Miller, M.P.H. was appointed by Governor Jerry Brown as Deputy Director to the Office of Health Equity at the California Department of Public Health, starting October 2013. In August 2014, the California State Senate unanimously voted to confirm Mr. Miller.

Previously, he served as Communications Manager with Kaiser Permanente’s National Offices - Community Benefit, Health Policy & Research Division. At Kaiser Permanente, he also served in the Central Valley Service Area, where he was Manager for Community & Government Relations within the Public Affairs Division. Mr. Miller has provided overall management for Sutter Health’s Sacramento Sierra Region as Manager for Strategic Marketing & Communications and oversight of growth, marketing and communications efforts with large-employer groups and brokers. Prior to that, he was the Program Manager for Sutter Children’s Hospital at Sutter Medical Center, Sacramento. Mr. Miller was responsible for managing inpatient and outpatient operations by providing strategic direction for Sutter Children’s Cancer Program and Outpatient Clinics.

He has been a board member of the California Child Care Referral and Resource Network, one of the most respected systems of child care resources and referrals in the United States. The following are additional volunteer boards where he has served: American Heart Association’s Western Region Health Equity Task Force, American Diabetes Association, Bloodsource Community Advisory & Ronald McDonald House Charities. Mr. Miller completed an Executive Fellowship with the Nehemiah Emerging Leaders Program in conjunction with the American Leadership Forum & CORO.

Mr. Miller is a proud graduate of Columbia University in New York City, receiving a B.A. Degree in Psychology and a Master of Healthcare Administration from the University of Southern California.
**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.

**Mark Mitchell, M.D., M.P.H.**

Mark Mitchell, M.D., M.P.H. is the principal of Mitchell Environmental Health Associates, a consulting firm on environmental health and environmental justice issues. He is also founder and Senior Policy advisor for the Connecticut Coalition for Environmental Justice. Dr. Mitchell has spent over twenty years working in the public health sector, and has spent the past fifteen years educating the community on the effects of the environment on health. Working primarily with communities of color and low-income whites, he teaches people what can be done to prevent and reduce the disproportionately higher rates of disease in their communities.

Dr. Mitchell has served on the US EPA’s National Environmental Justice Advisory Board and on the US Food and Drug Administration’s Advisory Committee on Blood and Blood Products. He is currently a member of the US EPA’s National Advisory Council on Environmental Policy and Technology. He recently received the Physician of the Year award from the National Medical Association Region I and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the US Environmental Protection Agency Region I.

Dr. Mitchell is a public health physician with an MD from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. Dr. Mitchell received his Master’s in Public Health from the Johns Hopkins University, where he was trained in environmental health and health policy.

**Roger Mitchell Jr., M.D.**

Roger Mitchell Jr., M.D. is board certified in Anatomic and Forensic Pathology by the American Board of Pathology and a Fellow with the National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME). Dr. Mitchell sits on national subcommittees for NAME including Education & Planning, Strategic Planning, and is the Chair for the Deaths in Custody Subcommittee. He also serves as the National Co-Chair for the National Medical Associations (NMA) Working Group on Gun Violence and Police Use of Force.

He is a graduate of Howard University, Washington, DC, and New Jersey Medical School, Newark, NJ and is licensed to practice medicine in 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.

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.

Dr. Mitchell currently serves on the Forensic Science Standards Board (FSSB) for the National Institute of Science and Technology (NIST). He is sought after for his expertise on violence, death investigation, mass fatality management, has lectured for the Governments of Egypt, Bangladesh, and the International Coroners Conference in London, England.
Dr. Roger A. Mitchell Jr. is dedicated to the community and pledges his efforts to give a voice to the voiceless.

**MARK MORGAN, M.B.A.**

Mark Morgan, M.B.A., Executive Director of the Organized Customer Team, was appointed to lead Amgen’s new customer-facing model to improve coordination and access among the sales and marketing teams in order to better meet the needs of our customers at the national and local geographic level in 2015. Mark brings to the role a two-decade history in the payer space with deep experience in the transformation occurring within the delivery system, the Affordable Care Act and Accountable Care Organizations.

Prior to joining Amgen, Mark began his payer career at Health Net of California in operations before assuming a leadership role in sales within their Labor & Trust segment. Mark was then asked to lead the Individual segment before becoming the Chief Product & Marketing Officer and finally the Chief Commercial Officer for Health Net.

In 2008 Mark moved to Anthem Blue Cross where he held several general management roles before becoming the COO and later the President of the California plan. Mark served on the board of the California Association of Health Plans, PriMed, CalChamber and the California Business Roundtable.

Mark holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from California State University Northridge and a Master of Business Administration from Pepperdine University.

**RANDALL MORGAN, M.D.**

Randall Morgan, M.D. was appointed the Executive Director of the W. Montague Cobb/National Medical Association (NMA) Health Institute in June 2005. He is also an Orthopedic Surgeon who practices in Sarasota and Bradenton, FL. After serving as founder and President of University Park Orthopedics in the community, he has become a partner in the Sarasota Orthopedic Associates. Dr. Morgan served as the 95th President of the National Medical Association during the year's 1996 and 1997. He was the first board-certified orthopedic surgeon to hold that position. Dr. Morgan is a true pioneer in his profession and was among the first surgeons to perform total joint replacement surgery at Northwestern University.

Dr. Morgan has practices medicine in Evanston, IL as well as his hometown of Gary, IN for over 20 years prior to his relocation to Sarasota. With the assistance of his father, Mr. Randall C. Morgan, St., he founded The Orthopedic Centers of Northwest Indiana and served as its president from 1973 to 1999. At one time, this was the largest minority own Orthopedic Practice in the United State. He is a Diplomat of the American Board of Orthopedic Surgery and the American Board of Managed Care Medicine. He is also a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

**DEBORAH PROthrow-stith, M.D.**

Deborah Prothrow-Stith, M.D. is Dean and Professor at Charles R. Drew University College of Medicine. She advised top-tier healthcare institutions on leadership as a principal at Spencer Stuart and she served as the Henry Pickering Walcott Professor of Public Health Practice and Associate Dean for Diversity at Harvard School of Public Health where she created the Division of Public Health Practice and secured over $14 million in grant funding for health programs. While working in inner-city Boston, she broke new ground with efforts to define youth violence as a health problem. She developed The Violence Prevention Curriculum for Adolescents, a forerunner of violence prevention curricula for schools and authored or co-authored Deadly Consequences (HarperCollins 1991); Murder Is No Accident (Jossey Bass Publishers, 2004); Sugar and Spice and No Longer Nice, (Jossey Bass Publishers, 2005); a high school textbook, Health (Pearson 2014); and, over 100 articles. In 1987, Governor Michael Dukakis appointed her Commissioner of Public Health for Massachusetts where she led a department with 3,500 employees, 8 hospitals and a budget of $350 million. She and her family lived in Tanzania during her husband's tenure as U.S. Ambassador. Dr. Prothrow-Stith is a graduate of Spelman College and Harvard Medical School and a diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine. In 2003, she was elected to the prestigious National Academy of Medicine. She has received ten honorary doctorates and in 2017, she was named Woman of the Year for the 2nd District by the LA County Board of Supervisors.

**REUBEN WARREN, D.D.S., M.P.H., DR. P.H., M.Div**

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FELIX SOGADE, M.D.

Felix Sogade, M.D. serves as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for Georgia Arrhythmia Consultants and Research Institute (GACRI), Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Association of Black Cardiologists (ABC), Director of Electrophysiology and Physician Co-Management with Navicent Health, as well as Associate Professor of Medicine, Mercer University School of Medicine. He initiated the ablation and EP lab based device programs at both middle Georgia hospitals; Navicent Health and HCA Coliseum. He is a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology and Heart Rhythm Society. Dr. Sogade brings to his roles exceptional leadership, strategic vision and medical business insight.

Dr. Felix Sogade is a cardiologist and cardiac electrophysiologist. He has practiced Electrophysiology in middle Georgia for 19 years. Specializing in ablation as well as device therapies including pacemakers, implantable defibrillators, loop recorders and cardiac resynchronization.

Dr. Sogade founded GACRI in 1998, and over the years the single physician location has grown into a cardiovascular institute with multiple physicians and nurse practitioners serving Central and South Georgia. GACRI is committed to addressing healthcare disparities between urban and rural areas by bringing care to patients locally. Following his MB, BS with distinction degree from University of Ibadan College of Medicine in Ibadan, Nigeria, Dr Sogade completed his Internal Medicine and Cardiovascular Diseases Residency and Fellowship at State University of NY at Stonybrook. He subsequently completed his fellowship in cardiac electrophysiology at Duke University Medical Center.

WARREN J. STRUDWICK, JR., M.D., M.B.A.

Warren J. Strudwick, Jr., M.D., M.B.A. is an orthopaedic surgeon specializing in the treatment and prevention of injuries related to sports and exercise, and, in particular, injuries to the knee and shoulder. Currently in practice with Bay Area Orthopedic and Sports Specialists, Dr. Strudwick cares for athletes and other physically active individuals, including injured workers and the perpetually active baby boomers. A board certified orthopedic surgeon, he works to keep athletes of all levels vibrant, healthy and in peak physical condition. When asked, what is the most rewarding aspect of his practice, Dr. Strudwick comments, that “… returning anyone, including athletes, to their pre-injury level of activity and performance, and then witnessing their return to a greater quality of life is the greatest reward”.

ELEANOR M. WALKER, M.D.

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Dr. Walker is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and is very active in the alumni association locally and nationally. She is the past Chair of the College of Science Advisory Council for the University of Notre Dame and is currently still on the council. She is the past President of the Notre Dame Club of Detroit, which is the third largest alumni club in the country.

Dr. Walker received her medical degree from Washington University in St. Louis, did her internship at Vanderbilt University, and her residency at the University of Maryland.

Dr. Walker is quite active in the community through her church and the HFHS in educating African Americans about cancer. She is active in educating the Caribbean community about cancer and has been an invited speaker for the Arabian Health Department. Her hobbies include traveling, scrapbooking, reading, singing, jazz and Latin dancing. Dr. Walker is a native of Brooklyn, New York.
Reuben Warren, D.D.S., M.P.H., Dr.Ph., M.DIV

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Richard Allen Williams, M.D.

Richard Allen Williams, M.D. received the M.D. degree from the State University of New York Downstate Medical Center, performed his internship at the University of California San Francisco Medical Center, Internal Medicine residency at the Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center, and Cardiology fellowship at Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston.

He has numerous publications and awards to his credit and is the author of The Textbook of Black-related Diseases published by McGraw-Hill in 1975, which details medical conditions peculiar to African Americans. Dr. Williams founded the Association of Black Cardiologists (ABC) in 1974 and served as its president for 10 years. Recently, he served as President of the Charles R. Drew Medical Society in Los Angeles, and was previously a member of the Board of Directors of the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science.

Dr. Williams promoted a new concept called Humane Medicine for years which was designed to restructure the way in which medicine is taught and practiced in the United States. This concept eventually took on a new name called Cultural Competency, and it formed the basis of the concept of Healthcare Disparities. His aim is to revise medical school curriculum to include subjects dealing with infrequently taught topics such as women’s health, issues pertaining to race, ethnicity, culture, and religion, biomedical ethics, stress and violence in society, nutrition, molecular biology and genetics, geriatrics, nutrition, and the management of death and dying. He also hopes to have an impact on practicing clinicians by teaching them to utilize a more patient-centered, culturally competent approach to health care delivery rather than a disease-oriented methodology.

Gail Wyatt, Ph.D.

Gail Wyatt, Ph.D. is a clinical psychologist, sex therapist and professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences at UCLA. She was an NIMH Research Scientist Career Development Awardee for 17 years. Her research examines the consensual and abusive sexual relationships of women and men, the effects of these experiences on their psychological well-being, and the cultural context of risks for sexually-transmitted diseases and HIV. She has conducted national and international research since 1980, funded by the National Institutes of Mental Health, the National Institute of Drug Abuse, state and private foundations. The recipient of numerous awards, Dr. Wyatt has to her credit more than 110 journal articles and book chapters, and has co-edited or written five books, including Stolen...
Women: Reclaiming our Sexuality, Taking Back Our Lives and No More Clueless Sex: 10 Secrets to a Sex Life That Works for Both of You. Dr. Wyatt is an Associate Director of the UCLA AIDS Institute and coordinates a core of behavioral scientists who consult with other researchers to recruit underserved populations and conduct research that effectively incorporates socio-cultural factors into HIV/AIDS research. Dr. Wyatt has received numerous awards and honors for her scientific accomplishments, mentoring, and teaching. She has also testified before the United States Congress eight times on issues related to health policy. She was the first African-American woman to be licensed as a psychologist in the state of California.
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