CLINICAL INFORMATICS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM
Faculty

LEADERSHIP

Craig Norquist, MD
Fellowship Director, Chief Medical Information Officer

Residency: Maricopa Medical Center-Emergency Medicine-AZ
Medical School: Harvard Medical-MA

Dr Norquist serves as the CMIO for HonorHealth as well as the Clinical Informatics Fellowship Director. He is board certified in Emergency Medicine as well as Clinical Informatics and is an EPIC physician builder. Prior to becoming CMIO, he was the first Patient Safety Officer for HonorHealth, has been a Chief of Staff, as well as Chair of Emergency Medicine. Having been a leader in the medical staff for almost 20 years, he has strong relationships in many areas of the network. His emphasis is on provider wellbeing, use of clinical decision support, and Health IT safety and the balance of them each in a functioning system.   He is a veteran of the US Navy, as well as alumni of San Diego State University and Harvard Medical School. When away from work and the Hospital, he enjoys reading, cooking, travelling, trail running, cycling, and triathlons.

FACULTY

Adela Grando, PhD, MCS
Core Faculty, Clinical Informatics Fellowship

PhD: Rovira i Virgili University, Spain
Master's in computer science: Universidad Nacional de Río Cuarto, Argentina
Bachelor's in computer science: Universidad Nacional de Río Cuarto, Argentina

Maria Adela Grando, PhD, MCS, FAMIA is currently the Director of Research Education and an Associate Professor in Biomedical Informatics at the College of Health Solutions, Arizona State University.

Funded by the NIH and the Mayo Clinic, her research focuses on patient-centered technology, mobile health, and clinical decision support systems with emphasis on Latinx and behavioral health patient populations. As an NIH grant reviewer and Associate Editor for the Health Informatics Journal she leads national and international efforts to advance the field of clinical informatics. As an educator, she has more than 20 years of experience teaching and mentoring students to help them find their passion and achieve their highest potential.

Prior to her current role, she trained in Computer Science and Biomedical Informatics in Argentina, Spain, United Kingdom (Oxford University and Edinburgh University) and United States (University of California, San Diego).

Anita Murcko, MD
Core Faculty, Clinical Informatics Fellowship

Residency: Indiana University Medical Center- Internal Medicine
Medical School: University of Pittsburgh College of Medicine

Dr. Anita Murcko is a Clinical Associate Professor of Biomedical Informatics, Arizona State University (ASU), College of Health Solutions and is senior advisor for the Center for Health Information and Research (CHiR). She has over 30 years of healthcare experience, including more than 20 years practicing and teaching internal medicine across the care continuum, and over 15 years in quality improvement and healthcare systems redesign.

Dr. Murcko served as the first Medical Director for Clinical Informatics at Arizona's single Medicaid agency (AHCCCS) where she provided leadership for the state's first electronic prescribing, electronic health record (EHR) and health information exchange (HIE) initiatives. She also served as Chief Medical Officer for Health Services Advisory Group (HSAG), Arizona's healthcare quality improvement organization (QIO), where she led multiple national and local quality improvement collaborative initiatives. She leads Cambiare, LLC, the e-health consultancy she co-founded in 2009.

Dr. Murcko's research focus is clinical decision support systems that improve physical and behavioral healthcare integration and substance use disorder treatment.

Rustan Sharer, MD, FACP
Core Faculty, Clinical Informatics Fellowship
Director of Quality, Safety & Informatics, HonorHealth Medical Group
Associate Program Director & Director of Quality Initiatives, Internal Medicine Residency

Residency: University of Arizona College of Medicine - Internal Medicine-AZ
Medical School: University of Arizona College of Medicine

Dr. Rustan Sharer is a Phoenix native who studied Biomedical Engineering at ASU prior to graduating from the University of Arizona, College of Medicine – Phoenix. After internal medicine residency at Banner UMC-Phoenix, he was retained as Clinical Assistant Professor in the role of Outpatient Chief Resident in Quality & Patient Safety at the Phoenix VA Healthcare System where he trained in formal Process/Quality Improvement methodology. Additionally, he subsequently completed the 'Practice-Pathway' track to obtain board-certification in Clinical Informatics.

At HonorHealth he serves many roles, including both Associate Program Director and Director of Quality Initiatives for the Internal Medicine residency as well as Medical Director of Informatics for the HonorHealth Medical Group. As a Physician Informaticist (and EPIC-Certified Physician Builder, who's previously been featured in EPIC's Physician Builder Spotlight series) he works closely with both the analytics and applications teams to help steward the outpatient side of the EMR. His broad involvement and interests range from grant-funded work on telehealth, to perioperative standardization, social determinants and health equity, and to safety-based efforts on opioids and vaccine /medication administrations.

Combining engineering principles (like Lean/Six-Sigma) with a passion for informatics-based clinical solutions, he has developed a unique, learner-driven, quality improvement and patient safety curriculum. He dreams for tomorrow's physicians to not just adopt new technology, but to push the boundaries of technological advances as befits an increasingly digital world.

James Whitfill, MD
Core Faculty, Clinical Informatics Fellowship
SVP-Chief Transformation Officer

Residency: University of Pennsylvania-Internal Medicine
Medical School: University of Pennsylvania

As Chief Transformation Officer, Jim Whitfill, MD, brings leadership expertise in healthcare, organizational culture, and information technology to promote a customer-centric experience and offer new ways to deliver more complete, coordinated and accessible care. He brings together data, technology and marketing to advance technical innovations, such as call center technology, CRM systems, apps and digital tools, to give both the customer and caregivers an enhanced approach to care.

By focusing the efforts of these business areas and finding the right digital tools, Dr. Whitfill aims to improve the customer journey so that it becomes more seamless and focused on the needs of the individual. The goal is to transform the organization into a more patient focused and provider friendly health system which better serves the surrounding community.

Chad Adams, AVP-COO
Faculty, Clinical Informatics Fellowship

MPH: University of Nevada

Chad Adams is an experienced operational leader with a demonstrated history of working in the higher education industry. Strong research professional skilled in research operations, clinical data and monitoring, as well as protocol review and monitoring, clinical trials budgeting, regulatory and compliance oversight and management, data and safety monitoring, and other aspects related to management of a National Cancer Institute (NCI)-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center in both a centralized and matrix system. Other related expertise include integrating technology within the research enterprise, electronic data capture (EDC), epidemiology, metric development, marketing campaigns, and efficiency management.

Matthew Anderson, MD, MBA, CPE
Chief Medical Informatics Officer HonorHealth Medical Group

Residency: Mayo Clinic Arizona
Medical School: Indiana University School of Medicine

Dr. Matthew Anderson is a physician executive who creates environments that support frictionless healthcare delivery for patients and physicians. With his experience in the financial, operational, and clinical aspects of medicine, he understands the current landscape and the barriers to great care. Serving as Chief Medical Information Officer of HonorHealth Medical Group, he focuses on applying technology to improve the healthcare experience. He is trained in Family Medicine, completing residency at Mayo Clinic Arizona. Dr Anderson also has an Executive MBA from WP Carey School of Business and Certification as a Physician Executive from the American Association of Physician Leadership.

Anthony Dunnigan, MD, MBI
Faculty, Clinical Informatics Fellowship

Residency: Banner Good Samaritan/Phoenix VAMC -Internal Medicine
Medical School: Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences -MD

Anthony Dunnigan, MD, MBI, FAMIA is currently VP and Chief Medical Information Officer of Valleywise Health, the county health system of Maricopa County/Phoenix.   He is an Assistant Professor of Biomedical Informatics at the University of Arizona College of Medicine-Phoenix, an Adjunct Faculty member of the College of Health Solutions at Arizona State University, and an Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine at Creighton University.

Prior to his current role, Dr. Dunnigan was a Senior Advisor for the Veterans Health Administration, serving as clinical co-lead of the VistA Evolution program, and was Director of Medical Informatics at Phoenix Indian Medical Center. Dr. Dunnigan continues to practice Internal Medicine in the Comprehensive Healthcare Center at Valleywise. He has a medical degree from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland and was a proud Public Health Service Officer for 17 years. He has a Masters in Biomedical Informatics from Oregon Health and Science University in Portland, Oregon, and is double boarded in Clinical Informatics and Internal Medicine.

Jennifer Rosas, MD
Faculty, Clinical Informatics Fellowship
Chief Medical Informatics Officer

Residency: University of Missouri -Family Medicine
Medical School: University of Missouri School of Medicine

Jennifer Rosas, MD is a board-certified family physician who earned her undergraduate and medical degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Dr. Rosas is currently the Chief Medical Informatics Officer (CMIO) at Neighborhood Outreach Access to Health (NOAH), a Federally Qualified Health Center in Maricopa County, the country's fourth most populous county. She also is a practicing board certified family physician and clinical informaticist, and currently serves as faculty with the HonorHealth Clinical Informatics fellowship. Prior to becoming CMIO at NOAH, she has held roles as director of clinical informatics, full time family medicine residency faculty, and full-scope private practice. Dr. Rosas has a special interest in social determinants of health, health equity and providing quality care to underserved and marginalized populations though innovation and leveraging information technology.

Yaminikrishna Sabesan, MD
Faculty, Clinical Informatics Fellowship

Residency: Maricopa Medical Center – Internal Medicine-AZ
Medical School: Gujarat University, Ahmedabad-India

A board-certified Internal Medicine Physician with extensive experience in medical and pharmacy management, care and utilization management and quality improvement processes. Expertise in strategic planning, informational technology, and QI process development. Core competencies: strategic, innovative, creative, nimble with special emphasis on quadruple aim. Unique experience serving in both academic and administrative settings and delivering cross-cultural healthcare in India and Arizona.

In current role responsible for design and oversight of the Medicare and Medicaid lines of business and reports directly to the CMO. Ensure coordination of needed services, address barriers to delivery of health care services, in coordination with system stakeholders.

Kris Samaddar MD
Faculty, Clinical Informatics Fellowship

Residency: Henry Ford Health System- Emergency Medicine-Michigan
Medical School: Indiana University School of Medicine

Dr. Samaddar serves as the Chief Medical Officer for Innovation Care Partners, HonorHealth's Accountable Care Organization. He is board certified in Emergency Medicine and has served as both the Chair for HonorHealth Shea Emergency Department and the Chief of Staff for HonorHealth Shea. Additionally, Dr. Samaddar is a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Emergency Medicine at the University of Arizona College of Medicine – Phoenix where he served on the Admissions Committee and as a SIM instructor.

Dr. Samaddar interests include system-wide quality initiatives, organizational development and healthcare delivery.

He comes from a medical family. His wife Kristen is an Associate Program Director for the pediatric residency at Phoenix Children's Hospital. His twin brother, also an Emergency Medicine Physician serves as the Chair of the Emergency Medicine Department at HonorHealth Shea. His mother and sister are dentists while his father was an Ear, Nose and Throat physician. Dr. Samaddar grew up in Bedford, Indiana.

Lisa Taylor, VP Analytics
Faculty, Clinical Informatics Fellowship

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Mark Zubriski, MD, PhD
Faculty, Clinical Informatics Fellowship

Residency: University of Arizona College of Medicine -Internal Medicine
Medical School: University of Arizona College of Medicine

Dr Zubriski currently serves as the CHIO at the Phoenix VA Health Care System. Hi background includes a Ph.D. from Arizona State University in Molecular and Cellular Biology. During his graduate studies, he was accepted to medical school at the University of Arizona, College of Medicine in Tucson, completing both degrees in 2007. Upon graduation, he completed his intern year at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Internal Medicine as well completing a year of Genetic Medicine before completing his Internal Medicine residency at the Banner University Medical Center in Phoenix, Arizona. Dr. Zubriski currently has dual appointments within Internal Medicine and the Department of BioMedical Informatics (DBMI) at the University of Arizona, College of Medicine in Phoenix where he serves as an Associate Professor and Associate Fellowship Director. He is board certified in both Internal Medicine and in Clinical Informatics.