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Judith Monroe, MD

President and CEO, CDC Foundation

Dr. Judith Monroe, president and CEO of the CDC Foundation, has dedicated her career to protecting people and saving lives. She joined the CDC Foundation in February 2016 as president and CEO, following her role as a deputy director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and director of CDC's Office of State, Tribal, Local and Territorial Support.

In her work at the CDC Foundation, Dr. Monroe advances priority programs that improve the health of people across America and around the world. The CDC Foundation mobilizes philanthropic and private-sector resources to support CDC's critical health protection work, managing hundreds of programs in the United States and in more than 140 countries.

The CDC Foundation is actively supporting CDC and U.S. health departments' response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Under Dr. Monroe's leadership, the CDC Foundation has provided support to disproportionately affected populations; procured personal protection equipment for frontline health workers; is hiring surge staff for all 50 states, six large cities, tribal organizations and territories; and is supporting data solutions for contact tracing. In addition, the CDC Foundation is supporting communications and clinical research, including a portfolio with a focus on health equity. The CDC Foundation is also partnering with cross-sectoral leaders to provide expert panel discussions and scenario planning to help safely reopen the U.S. economy.

The CDC Foundation responded to the Zika epidemic as an implementing partner in addition to mobilizing resources; supported the response and recovery from the 2017 hurricane season; and serves as CDC's strategic partner for global health security. In 2019, Dr. Monroe was recognized by the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce with a MAC Heroes of Global Health award.

Prior to the CDC Foundation, Dr. Monroe oversaw key activities and technical assistance at CDC supporting the nation's health departments and the public health system. Throughout the 2014–15 Ebola epidemic she served as senior advisor for the domestic response. During her tenure as the state health commissioner for Indiana she served as president of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials through the H1N1 pandemic. She envisioned and founded the ASTHO president's challenge in 2008. This leadership platform resulted in initiatives with significant health improvements and focus of ASTHO annual meetings.

Dr. Monroe currently serves on the board of directors for the Center for Global Health Innovation and for the Georgia Global Health Alliance, and is a member of the Milken Institute's Public Health Advisory Board. Additionally, she serves as a member of the World Health Organization Foundation's Advisory group and on the Advisory Council of the Pandemic Action Network.

Dr. Monroe was recognized in October 2020 by United Way of Greater Atlanta with the Woman of Excellence Award for her unwavering commitment to serving the community. CDC's Office of Minority Health and Health Equity also recognized her in 2020 as their Summer Health Equity

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Champion. In 2019, she received the American Public Health Association's Presidential Citation for her work to improve the health and well-being of people around the world, and for her commitment to the future of public health as a mentor to young physicians and public health students.

Dr. Monroe received her doctor of medicine from the University of Maryland and a bachelor of science degree from Eastern Kentucky University. She completed her residency in family medicine at the University of Cincinnati, a rural faculty development fellowship through East Tennessee State University, and a mini-fellowship in obstetrics through the University of Wisconsin. She also participated in the State Health Leadership Initiative at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government and received an honorary doctorate from Purdue University in Health and Human Services.



Lisa Waddell, MD, MPH

Chief Medical Officer, CDC Foundation

Dr. Lisa F. Waddell is the chief medical officer for the CDC Foundation, an independent nonprofit and the sole entity created by Congress to mobilize philanthropic and private-sector resources to support the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's critical health protection work. Waddell reports to Dr. Judith Monroe, president and CEO of the CDC Foundation.

As chief medical officer (CMO), Waddell manages the Foundation's COVID-19 response efforts, including directing the team of senior advisors, who are providing support to health departments across the nation, and the COVID-19 Corps surge staff hired as part of the response. Waddell serves on the Foundation's executive team.

Before joining the CDC Foundation in 2020, Waddell held leadership roles for the March of Dimes, where she served as deputy chief medical and health officer and the senior vice president for Maternal and Child Health Impact nationwide. Prior to the March of Dimes, Waddell worked with the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials as chief of community health and prevention. Before this role, she served as deputy commissioner for Health Services for the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, the state's public health agency. In addition to these roles, Waddell served as a local public health director for a four-county district in South Carolina and as the deputy public health director/medical director in Richmond, VA.

Waddell is a leader in public health as a preventive medicine and public health physician with over 28 years of local, state and national public health leadership experience. She has a passion for public health and is committed to promoting and protecting the health of populations. She has a particular interest in addressing the needs of vulnerable populations, needs of moms and babies, and those with disparate health outcomes.

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Waddell received her doctor of medicine from the Medical College of Virginia and a bachelor's in biology from the University of Virginia. She completed her residency in preventive medicine/public health from the Medical College of Virginia, and she received her master's in public health from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is a graduate of the National Public Health Leadership Institute. She is a member of several professional organizations including the American College of Preventive Medicine, the American Public Health Association, the National Medical Association and the South Carolina Public Health Association.



S. Lawrence Kocot, JD, LLM, MPA

Principal and National Leader, Center for Healthcare Regulatory Insight, KPMG, LLP

Larry Kocot is a Principal at KPMG, LLP and National Leader of KPMG's Center for Healthcare Regulatory Insight. The Center follows health care regulatory and policy trends driving health care transformation and industry convergence and the broader implications of operating in a more collaborative and integrated U.S. healthcare payment and delivery environment.

Mr. Kocot provides advice and counsel to companies on corporate strategy and regulatory matters relating to public health care programs, including Medicare and Medicaid. Mr. Kocot has served as counsel to a wide range of corporations and associations on a variety of different matters, including internal investigations and audits, as well as disputes with federal and state agencies. Additionally, Mr. Kocot has counseled organizations on the development and formation of accountable care organizations and other alternative payment arrangements.

Mr. Kocot is a former Senior Advisor to the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. In this capacity, he was involved in a wide range of health care policy issues and operations related to Medicare and Medicaid. Notably, Mr. Kocot was a key member of the management and operations team responsible for pharmaceutical, pharmacy, and pharmacy benefit management (PBM) issues, including the launch and operation of the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit (Part D). More specifically, he led the development of policy and regulation under the Part D program; guided CMS efforts to design and develop new systems functionality for providing beneficiary information to providers in real time at the point of sale; designed and launched CMS initiatives on pharmacy quality and pharmacy quality alliances; and supervised pharmaceutical delivery and data management during and after natural disasters.

Since leaving government, Mr. Kocot has been involved in a number of successful payment and delivery initiatives, including running technical expert panels (TEPs) for new payment models under contract for the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI). Prior to joining KPMG, Mr. Kocot practiced law at Epstein Becker Green, PC, and Dentons, US LLP. From 2007-2015, Mr. Kocot was a visiting fellow in the Economic Studies Program at the Brookings Institution; he was also Deputy Director of the Engelberg Center for Health Care Reform at

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Brookings from 2007-2013. Mr. Kocot was a fellow in International Security Studies at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), and an adjunct fellow at CSIS for several years thereafter. Before his government service, Mr. Kocot was Senior Vice President and General Counsel at the National Association of Chain Drug Stores, where he was responsible for all legal matters and represented the industry before Congress, state legislatures, and state and federal regulatory agencies.



John T. Redd, MD, MPH, FACP

Chief Medical Officer for the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, US Department of Health and Human Services

Dr. John Redd is an internist and medical epidemiologist who serves as the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) at Health and Human Services Headquarters in Washington, DC.

Dr. Redd began his HHS career in 1994, when he became a general internist with the Indian Health Service (IHS) at the Northern Navajo Medical Center in Shiprock, New Mexico. He and his family lived on the Navajo Reservation for almost five years. He began a 20-year uniformed career with the US Public Health Service at CDC in 2000 as an Epidemic Intelligence Service officer stationed with the New Mexico Department of Health. After EIS he joined the Division of Viral Hepatitis at CDC for six years, where he was instrumental in establishing hepatitis C treatment in IHS through collaboration with Project ECHO. In a second stint with IHS, he served as Chief of the Infectious Diseases Branch of the IHS Division of Epidemiology and Disease Prevention, where he had a leadership role in the Agency response to the H1N1 influenza pandemic, and as a clinical internist at the Santa Fe Indian Hospital. He re-joined CDC in 2014 in a liaison position between CDC and Sandia National Laboratories. He has supervised EIS officers and other public health trainees since 2002 and was senior author of a Langmuir Prize-winning manuscript.

During the CDC Ebola response in West Africa, Dr. Redd served in multiple CDC leadership positions in Sierra Leone, including Response Lead, Epidemiology Lead, and Acting Country Director. He joined the Center for Global Health's Division of Global Health Protection in 2015, where he served as Country Manager for the Ebola-affected countries of Guinea, Sierra Leone, and Liberia. He received the Public Health Service Meritorious Service Medal and the State Department Superior Honor Award for his Ebola service in Sierra Leone. He then moved to Washington, DC to serve as the liaison officer to the ASPR from CDC's Center for Preparedness and Response.

In 2019, Dr. Redd joined ASPR as its chief medical officer. During the COVID-19 response, he was a field leader in the initial response to the pandemic in California and Japan, and then was appointed lead of the Healthcare Resilience Task Force. He then led HHS teams supervising allocation and distribution of new therapeutics, including remdesivir and monoclonal antibodies.

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For his service during the COVID-19 response he received the United States Public Health Service Distinguished Service Medal, the highest award presented by the United States Public Health Service. He retired as a captain in 2020.

Dr. Redd received his BA from Harvard College and his MD from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas. He then completed a residency in Internal Medicine at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center and earned a Master of Public Health in Epidemiology degree at Columbia University in New York. He was elected a Fellow of the American College of Physicians in 2002 and was a 2010-2011 Public Health Leadership Institute Scholar. He is the co-author of over eighty publications.



Christian Ramers, MD, MPH, AAHIVS

Assistant Medical Director for Research and Special Populations, Family Health Centers of San Diego

Dr. Christian Ramers is the chief of Population Health and director of Graduate Medical Education at the Family Health Centers of San Diego (FHCS), a large Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) system serving nearly 200,000 medically underserved individuals throughout San Diego county. He is board certified in Internal Medicine, Infectious Diseases, and Addiction Medicine, and is particularly interested in HIV, HBV, HCV, and service of medically underserved, immigrant, and refugee populations. He co-chairs the California chapter of the American Academy of HIV Medicine and has advocated for HIV/HCV care at the state legislative level. He has served as a consultant for CDC-sponsored HIV/HBV/HCV educational projects in Asia and Africa. Since 2018, he has served as the senior clinical advisor for the Clinton Health Access Initiative's Global Hepatitis Program, working to eliminate HBV and HCV in seven partner countries in Asia and Africa.

Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Ramers has taken on a leadership role in policy, laboratory, public health, research and clinical response. He is a core member of FHCS's COVID-19 Response team, delivering biweekly updates to more than 200 clinicians and staff. At the regional level, he serves on the county Laboratory Testing and Equity task forces and is a site principal investigator for the COVID-19 Prevention Network vaccine research group. He is a member of the national IDSA-CDC clinical call escalation volunteer group. He has facilitated several series of telehealth and telemedicine online forums including one of HIV care at the International AIDS Conference, a 10-week intensive telemedicine series-Telemedicine Hack-supported by HHS, and other telemedicine programs supported by Project ECHO. Internationally, he facilitates a twice weekly Spanish-language COVID-19 virtual community of practice for Latin America and has presented at an international WHO AFRO region webinar on SARS-CoV-2 transmission.

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Jane Thornhill, MSA

Vice President, Henry Ford Physician Network and ACO Henry Ford Health System, Detroit

Jane Thornhill brings over two decades of healthcare and leadership experience to her role within Henry Ford Health System. Since joining the leadership team of the Henry Ford Physician Network, Jane has assembled a core infrastructure team that has effectively expanded Henry Ford's provider reach into Southeast Michigan, adding thousands of covered lives in the process. Her awareness of how to create pinpoint strategies and implement them with the most effective team members has allowed Henry Ford to break new ground and expand its market-leading position as a value-based care provider in the region.

Additionally, through progressive leadership roles Jane has successfully managed clinical operations in the Henry Ford Medical Group's (HFMG) Department of Neurosurgery, along with strategic growth in the Center of Cancer Surgery and the HFMG Referring Physician Office. This work included supporting the launch of the air and ground critical care transportation program to bring tertiary and quaternary patients to southeast Michigan and attract market share from University of Michigan and Cleveland Clinic. These programs have grown the reputations of Henry Ford Hospital and Henry Ford Medical Group, while providing a significant increase in the patient mix index and incremental contribution margin.

Jane's experience outside of Henry Ford bolstered her real-world knowledge of value-based care that she brings today to several accountable healthcare contracts. While at Evolent Health (Arlington, Virginia), Jane led a national Clinical Network Performance team, which focused on population health through governance with clients and their Accountable Care Organizations. Its mission was to support the quadruple aim: helping health systems deliver the right care to the right patient, at the right time, at the right cost and helping providers find joy in practicing medicine.

Jane's professional passion is to help patients and their caregivers have access to the right care when they need it and avoid unnecessary waste by over utilization and miscommunication. In her role as Vice President of the Henry Ford Physician Network, she brings this wisdom to her team as it focuses on addressing the business side of healthcare while simultaneously providing an effective environment for clinicians to take care of patients.

Jane holds a bachelor's degree in community development and a master's degree in leadership administration. She also possesses certificates in LEAN and Change Management Facilitation in healthcare. Ultimately, Jane is committed to providing a safe and challenging work environment where all leaders and team members can learn their craft and find their passion.

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Felix M. Valbuena, Jr., MD, FAAFP

Chief Executive Officer, Community Health and Social Services Center (CHASS), Detroit

As a bilingual/bicultural physician, **Dr. Felix Valbuena** is committed to providing culturally proficient health care in one's native language to ensure a better understanding of, and compliance with, medical treatment. He is an active supporter of Federally Qualified Health Centers, currently serving as clinician representative on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Community Health Centers and board member of the Michigan Primary Care Association. He is a 2007 recipient of the Degree of Fellow from the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) and is a Diplomate of the American Board of Family Medicine. Dr. Valbuena is also contracted Academic Faculty in the Department of Family Medicine at Henry Ford Hospital.



Jayne M. Morgan, MD

Cardiologist and Clinical Director, Covid Task Force, Piedmont Healthcare Corporation

Dr. Jayne Morgan is a cardiologist and the executive director of the Covid Task Force at the Piedmont Healthcare Corporation in Atlanta, the largest healthcare system in Georgia. Within this role, she serves as the system Covid vaccine expert, analyzing the science and data from Piedmont and nationally. She also drives efforts at addressing vaccine hesitancy via education to internal staff, external stakeholders, media, and the greater external community. Dr. Morgan has been named to the Governor's Health Equity and Covid Task Force and supports the Department of Health in its "Ask The Experts" series. Additionally she serves as a CNN medical expert contributor and is the owner and creator of The Stairwell Chronicles - a social media series directed towards addressing questions surrounding Covid vaccines in a conversational format.

Previously, Dr. Morgan was the System Director of Innovation at Piedmont Healthcare, Inc. where she created the Piedmont Accelerator and secured the first ever licensing of a medical device developed entirely internally. This has allowed Piedmont to receive its first ever royalties. Further, she provided support to a second medical and biotech invention receiving a \$23,000,000 outside investment.

Prior to this role, Dr. Morgan served as the System Director of Research and Innovation, also at Piedmont Healthcare, Inc. where she set the strategic growth of the Piedmont Research

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Institute and introduced the importance of increasing enrollment of minorities into clinical trials as a strategic initiative for the system.

Initially, Dr. Morgan came to Piedmont as the director of Cardiovascular Research where she expanded research to other satellite hospital facilities and created the Feasibility Program. Both have been huge successes and have propelled Piedmont Healthcare, Inc. to #1 status worldwide in the tricuspid space and #1 nationally within the mitral space of transcatheter valve technologies. These efforts, as well as the focus on other strategic growth initiatives, realized steadily increasing revenue earnings that converted the Cardiovascular Research department from a cost center to a profit center.

Dr. Morgan is published in the areas of Congenital Heart Disease, Interventional Cardiology, and COVID-19. Moreover, Dr. Morgan has served as the Chief Medical Officer of the American Chemistry Council (where she developed a new translational research program), CEO of Forty Million Beats, LLC - with clients such as Novartis, Abbott, and Moderna – the Cardiology advisor to the MitraClip Team at Abbott Labs, the World Wide Director of the Cardiorenal Drug Development program at Solvay Pharmaceuticals, and the Assistant Professor of Medicine at the Cleveland Clinic.

Dr. Morgan currently serves as president of the Southeast Life Sciences Association, an adjunct assistant clinical professor at The Morehouse School of Medicine, co-chair of the Health and Human Services Conference 2022, and on the board of the National Diversity and Inclusion team at the American Heart Association.