



Health Clinic Challenges and Opportunities in the Time of COVID-19

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Speaker Biographies

Oliver Tate Brooks, MD, is chief medical officer and past chief of pediatric and adolescent medicine at Watts Healthcare Corporation and is chairman of the Clinical Advisory Group of the Community Clinic Association of Los Angeles County. He is the current president of the National Medical Association, which represents 50,000 African American physicians. He is immediate past president of the California Immunization Coalition and current chairman of the Immunize LA Families Coalition. He is a member of the national Leadership Panel for the Adolescent Immunization Initiative, which advocated successfully for adding a column on the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practice's Centers for Disease Control and Prevention yearly vaccine recommendations in 2017.

Brooks has received numerous honors and awards; he was honored by the National Council of Negro Women, Long Beach, California, for Outstanding Service to the Community and was the Wall of Excellence for Medicine awardee for Long Beach 2016 Black History Month. In 2019, he was honored as one of the Top Blacks in Health Care by BlackDoctor.org. Brooks received his undergraduate degree in biology from Morehouse College, his medical degree from Howard University, and completed a residency in pediatrics at Children's Hospital Oakland.

Maria Carriedo-Ceniceros, MD, is the vice president and chief medical officer of San Ysidro Health, a Federally Qualified Health Center for over 50 years serving the South Bay, East County, and Southeast San Diego communities. She has 16 years of experience as a family medicine physician in the community health center setting. Born and raised in San Diego, Carriedo-Ceniceros is committed to the community she serves and is passionate about working with the underserved population to address its complicated chronic health issues and to provide comprehensive care. She teaches and mentors and has contributed her time over the years as a faculty mentor for UCSD medical students. Carriedo-Ceniceros is an attending for the Scripps Chula Vista Family Practice Residency Program, where she oversees residents during their continuity clinic. She also oversees the Research and Health Promotion Department within San Ysidro Health, allowing the organization to provide culturally sensitive health education to its patients and to have a voice in research programs that affect their health and wellness.

Carriedo-Ceniceros has been a member of San Ysidro Women's Club since 2009, serving as its treasurer. She is president of the San Diego Academy of Family Physicians (SDAFP). Being a part of SDAFP provides the opportunity for collaborating with dedicated and experienced family medicine physicians to address the common needs and issues of her profession and her patients. In addition, she serves on the San Diego County Medical Society board and attends the California House of Delegates every year. This board allows her to keep informed on state and national issues related to health care, as well as provide strong advocacy for her profession and patients. Carriedo-Ceniceros graduated in 1983 with a bachelor of arts degree from

Harvard University and earned her Doctorate of Medicine from UCSD in 2000. She graduated from the Scripps Chula Vista Family Residency Program in 2003.

Carlina Hansen, MS, is a senior program officer for CHCF's Improving Access team, which works to improve access to coverage and care for Californians with low incomes. Prior to joining CHCF, Hansen served for 17 years as executive director of the Women's Community Clinic in San Francisco. Prior to her work at the clinic, she was a senior program coordinator at the Tides Center, a fiscal sponsor and nonprofit incubator. She serves on the boards of the San Francisco Community Clinic Consortium and the National Family Planning and Reproductive Health Organization. Hansen is a graduate of the Women's Policy Institute of the Women's Foundation of California and of the Clinic Leadership Institute. She received a master's degree in health care administration from the University of California, San Francisco, whose faculty she now serves on.

Sandra R. Hernández, MD, is president and CEO of the California Health Care Foundation. Prior to joining CHCF, Hernández was CEO of The San Francisco Foundation, which she led for 16 years. She previously served as director of public health for the City and County of San Francisco. She also cochaired San Francisco's Universal Healthcare Council, which designed Healthy San Francisco. It was the first time a local government in the US attempted to provide health care for all its constituents.

In February 2018, Hernández was appointed by Governor Jerry Brown to the Covered California board of directors. In December 2019, she was appointed by Governor Gavin Newsom to the Healthy California for All Commission, which is charged with developing a plan to help California achieve a health care delivery system that provides coverage and access through a unified financing system. She also serves on the UC Regents Health Services Committee and the UC San Diego Chancellor's Health Advisory Board. Dr. Hernández practiced at San Francisco General Hospital in the HIV/AIDS Clinic from 1984 to 2016 and was an assistant clinical professor at the UCSF School of Medicine. She is a graduate of Yale University, the Tufts School of Medicine, and the certificate program for senior executives in state and local government at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Sami Lubega, MD, is a practicing family physician and certified HIV Specialist. She currently serves as deputy medical director for the Bay Area/North & Central Coast AIDS Education and Training Center and HIV prevention project director for East Bay Getting to Zero, supporting clinics in building their capacity to provide HIV-prevention services across the East Bay. She was previously associate medical director at LifeLong Medical Care East Oakland, where she continues to provide primary care for vulnerable populations, including those affected by HIV and substance use disorders.

In addition, Lubega serves as the medical consultant for the Alameda County Tobacco Control Program, working as a clinical liaison to improve tobacco treatment services in the behavioral health and primary care settings. She is passionate about achieving health equity while maintaining the diversity of culture and spirit that makes Oakland beautiful. She attended UCSF School of Medicine and completed her residency at the UCSF Family & Community Medicine Program at San Francisco General Hospital.