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Corinna Manini, MD

Chief Medical Officer, RefuahHealth; Rockland and Sullivan Counties, NY



Dr. Manini is the Chief Medical Officer for RefuahHealth, a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) system based in New York's lower Hudson Valley. An internist by training with degrees from MIT and Stanford University. Corinna leverages data analytics to shape RefuahHealth's clinical policies and programmatic strategy. She has played a pivotal role in directing the health system's efforts to combat infectious disease outbreaks such as the 2019 measles outbreak and the COVID-19 pandemic.

In addition, Dr. Manini led the Refuah Community Health Collaborative (RCHC) Performing Provider System (PPS) as the Chief Medical and Chief Administrative Officer under the New York State Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment Program (DSRIP). RCHC is the highest performing PPS in New York State, and has been recognized by the New York State Department of Health for its strong commitment to primary care transformation, driving down avoidable ER utilization, and ultimately, providing higher-quality, cost-efficient healthcare to New Yorkers.

Prior to her current role, Dr. Manini practiced internal medicine as teaching faculty at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai.

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Brandon Webb, MD is an Associate Professor of Research in the Division of Infectious Diseases and Clinical Epidemiology at Intermountain Healthcare and also holds an appointment within the Division of Infectious Diseases and Geographic Medicine at Stanford. He graduated from the University of Virginia School of Medicine and completed Internal Medicine residency and chief residency at Mayo School of Graduate Medical Education in Arizona, followed by a fellowship in Infectious Disease at the University of Utah.

Dr. Webb currently serves as Chair of the Intermountain COVID-19 Therapeutics Committee where he has led or been part of more than a dozen COVID-19 clinical trials. He is currently the director for the Intermountain COVID-19 Monoclonal Antibody Treatment Program.

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Mary Dittrich, MD, FASN is Executive Vice President and Chief Medical Officer (CMO) at US Renal Care (USRC). She is also a practicing nephrologist and co-founded Boise Kidney and Hypertension Institute. In 2010 her practice was part of the team that received the Renal Physicians Association Practice Excellence Award for outstanding CKD care management. She has taken part in various clinical research trials at USRC and Boise Kidney, and served as the Chairman of the Medical Advisory Board for Liberty Dialysis, Inc. She has also co-founded numerous dialysis clinics in the states of Idaho and Alaska.

Dr. Dittrich served as Chief Medical Officer of Liberty Health Partners and Senior Medical Director of Remedy Partners now Signify Health, a leading healthcare platform designed to power and create value-based payment programs. She currently serves as president of Liberty Administrative Services and CMO for Glacier Management Services in Alaska.

Dr. Dittrich earned her bachelor's degree in nursing from Creighton University, attended Medical School at the University of Colorado School of Medicine followed by Residency and Fellowship at University of Washington School of Medicine. She is board certified in Nephrology and Internal Medicine.

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Jeston Whitsell is the pharmacy director for Delta Medical Infusion, a home infusion pharmacy. After a brief period of working in retail pharmacy, Jeston's career has focused on sterile compounding for infusion. Jeston began working at Delta Medical Infusion in 2019 and has helped the newer pharmacy expand. The pharmacy once consisted of one pharmacist, one nurse, and one customer service representative. Continued growth has allowed for the addition of nurses, a pharmacist, pharmacy technicians, and drivers.

In late 2020, Delta Medical Infusion was chosen as one of the pharmacies to participate in a pilot program presented by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the National Home Infusion Association. The program has allowed for bamlanivimab therapy in long term care, skilled nursing, and assisted living facilities. After success in Arkansas, Delta Medical Infusion is focusing on also providing the therapy to neighboring states.

Jeston graduated from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock with degrees in chemistry and biology. He later enrolled at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences where he obtained a Doctor of Pharmacy degree.

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Gina Smith is a registered Nurse with 25 years of medical disaster response experience throughout the United States under the auspices of the Department of Health and Human Services as a team commander and nurse. She has 18 years of hands-on experience in Emergency Management, Preparedness, Response, and Recovery leadership for a tertiary care Academic Medical Center/Healthcare System. Presently, Gina is working on special projects, including "The Operation" previously known as Operation Warp Speed, with the therapeutics branch clinical team. She also recently established the first federal COVID therapeutic monoclonal antibody infusion site in El Centro California.

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Chanie Sternberg

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Chanie Sternberg is the President and CEO of RefuahHealth, a multi-faceted federally qualified health center headquartered in Spring Valley, NY. Chanie has served in this role since the organization's founding in 1992 and has shepherded the growth of RefuahHealth from its grassroots, community-based beginnings to its current operations as a multi-specialty population health engine with four fixed locations, a birthing center and a mobile medical fleet.

Since the pandemic, Chanie has overseen the mobilization of RefuahHealth's resources to adapt to the ever-changing environment in order to assure that patients and the community have affordable and convenient access to cutting-edge testing, treatment and information. In response to the COVID-19 crisis, RefuahHealth was an early partner in the regional convalescent plasma collection effort, launched a full-scale COVID-testing initiative, including mobile community surveillance, and is a leader in the provision of monoclonal antibody therapy in an ambulatory setting.

A regionally recognized leader in the implementation of innovative care strategies, Chanie was appointed to the New York State COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution and Implementation Task Force. Chanie also serves as the CEO of the Refuah Community Health Collaborative, a New York State Performing Provider System under the NYS DSRIP Program, overseeing the performance of an FQHC-led population health initiative which achieved the lowest ER utilization rate in the state of New York. Prior to her time at Refuah, Chanie worked in health and hospital administration and in healthcare workforce initiatives.

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