

**Roddex Barlow**  
**COO, The Hospitals of Providence-Memorial, President, SHEA**



Roddex Barlow joined The Hospitals of Providence, Memorial Campus in January of 2016 and today serves as Chief Operating Officer.

A retired Lieutenant Colonel, Rodd holds over 20 years of healthcare leadership experience and served as Chief of Nursing Operations for William Beaumont Army Medical Center and Deputy Chief of Staff for Brooke Army Medical Center at Fort Sam Houston.

Today as Chief Operating Officer at the region's largest hospital, Rodd is responsible for the organization's operational performance and committed to advancing the organization's mission and vision to Moving Health Forward. Overseeing 18 departments, his expertise includes strategic planning, operational improvement and growth development. Under Rodd's leadership, Memorial Campus underwent a \$67 million Master Plan Renovation project to expand service lines offerings and provide state-of-the-art patient care amenities.

Rodd is an active member of the El Paso community and currently serves as President of Southwest Healthcare Executives and incoming Chair of the El Paso Diabetes Association. He is also a graduate of the Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce Leadership El Paso program and a Fellow for Texas Hospital Association. Rodd also participates in a variety of community panels and other civic events.

Rodd holds a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Jacksonville State University and a Master of Business Administration and Master of Healthcare Administration from Baylor University.

Rodd resides in El Paso with his wife, Sereka and their three children, London (14), Phoenix (11), and Legend (11).

**Emma Schwartz**  
**President, Medical Center of the Americas,**  
**CEO, BIO-El Paso/Juarez**



Emma Wollschlager Schwartz is President of the Medical Center of the Americas (MCA) Foundation. The MCA developed the region's first biomedical incubator: the Cardwell Collaborative (60,000 sf) and the first free-standing mental health clinic for the VA (33,000 sf). The MCA also works to harness a Life Sciences industry for the region through its Innovation Center; BIO El Paso-Juarez, representing the bi-national medical device manufacturing industry; MCA Clinical Trials Consortium; MCA Health Care Think Tank; and STEM camps.

Before the MCA, Ms. Schwartz worked in healthcare management, revenue cycle improvement, strategic planning and regulatory compliance for a variety of healthcare companies in Texas, Hawaii, Oregon and California.

Ms. Schwartz's is on the boards of WestStar Bank, Progress321, Workforce Solutions Borderplex and Borderplex Alliance, as well as on the CPRIT Product Development Advisory Committee (PDAC) and co-chair of El Paso's chapter of Stanford OVAL. Formerly, she served on the board of the PDN Center of Hope and the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas' Emerging Leaders Council.

In 2016, Ms. Schwartz was inducted into the El Paso Business Hall of Fame, and she was named 2017's El Pasoan of the Year. In October 2019, Governor Greg Abbott appointed Ms. Schwartz to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) for a term that expires in August 2025.

Ms. Schwartz received her BA in Human Biology concentrating in Comparative Health Policy from Stanford University and her MPH in Health Services Management from UCLA, where she was a Foley & Lardner Fellow.

## Christopher M. Cornue, MSHSA, FACHE, FRSA



Christopher Cornue has dedicated his life to advancing health for all. He has done this through multiple leadership, executive and collaborative roles that have focused on creating needed change within systems, communities, and organizations. As President & Principal of sláinte global partners he leverages these experiences and a cultivated network of partners & change agents to further the best possible health outcomes for patients and communities globally.

Most recently, Christopher served as Navicent Health's Chief Strategy and Chief Innovation Officer, through which he led the system's efforts to plan for the future and meet the organization's mission, vision and values. He collaborated with the organization's leaders, caregivers, physicians, community and other key stakeholders to establish and execute on strategy, operations and innovation across the system. Among his key accomplishments, he was a primary architect and leader of efforts to strategically combine with Atrium Health to form the US southeast's largest healthcare system and elevate healthcare for all.

Throughout his 25 years of service, he leverages his expertise in leadership, operations, strategy, physician relationships, thought leadership and clinical performance both domestically and globally. He has been a thought leader at Sg2 where he led the consulting practice, oversaw the Center for the Future, and served as a trusted advisor to healthcare organizations, working together to create change in healthcare. He was CEO of McKee Medical Center in Colorado, where he led the organization to strong financial performance and top decile performance in quality outcomes and patient satisfaction while creating an engaged workforce. He was Vice president at Sinai Health System, where he held system and medical group leadership, operational and strategic responsibilities. He worked with major academic medical centers nationwide at University Health System Consortium, and held several leadership roles at University of Chicago Medicine.

Christopher has collaborated with international partners to further global healthcare strategies and solutions, and serves as an expert and mentor with the International Society for Quality in Healthcare (ISQua). Partnering globally to enrich society through ideas and action, he was named a fellow in the Royal Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce (RSA) in 2017. He is also a fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives and holds Bachelor of Science degrees in biology and chemistry and a Master of Science degree in health services administration from Gannon University.

**Col. Michael Oshiki, MD, FAAFP**  
**Commander, William Beaumont Army Medical Center**



Colonel Michael S. Oshiki is a native of Washington, D.C., and a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where he earned a Bachelor of Science, with a double major in zoology and history, and was commissioned as an armored cavalry officer through the University of Wisconsin-Madison Reserve Officer Training Corps program in 1987. After seven years as a line officer, including a deployment to Operation Desert Shield/Storm, Colonel Oshiki began medical school at the Uniformed Services University in 1994, and graduated in 1998. He completed a residency in Family Medicine at DeWitt Army Community Hospital Fort Belvoir, VA in 2001, where he served as Chief Resident. Most recently, COL Oshiki completed a Master's Degree in National Security Resource Strategy at the National Defense University Eisenhower School. Prior to starting at the Eisenhower School, Colonel Oshiki served as the Commander of Fox Army Health Center, Redstone Arsenal, AL.

Colonel Oshiki has strived to practice full-spectrum family medicine and be involved in research and teaching throughout his career, most recently serving on the teaching faculty of the Madigan Army Medical Center Family Medicine Residency. He has previously served as a clinical preceptor for the Pacific Lutheran University and Old Dominion University Family Nurse Practitioner Programs. Selected as a fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians in 2007, Colonel Oshiki has also been a member of the Uniformed Services Academy of Family Physicians since 1998, and a member of the Operational Medicine Committee since 2005. He was elected to the Academy's Board of Directors in 2012, and was also selected as the Academy's 2010 Operational Medicine Physician of the Year. Colonel Oshiki additionally served as the Army Family Medicine representative on the Department of Defense Joint Clinical Advisory Board for Behavioral Health and Combat Stress from 2003 to 2006.

**Michael Amaral, MHA**  
**Director, El Paso VA Health Care System**



The Medical Center Director has full delegated line authority and responsibility for executive level management of a VA health care facility. Has overall responsibility for planning, organizing, directing, coordinating, controlling, reviewing, evaluating, and improving medical, administrative, and supporting operations of a medical facility which administers a variety of medical care and treatment for a large geographic area. These duties are geared to successful accomplishment of the basic patient care mission, as well as such additional missions as teaching and research.

His recent experience prior to retirement was the Chief of Staff for William Beaumont Army Medical Center, El Paso TX. Prior experience includes but is not limited to: Chief of Business Operations for TRICARE Regional Office, Virginia; Director of Medical Administrations and Operations at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, as well as Department Administrator for Department of Medical also at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington DC, just to name a few. Mr. Amaral received his MS in Healthcare Administration from Baylor University in Waco Texas and his BS from Norwich University, Vermont as a Distinguished Military Graduate.

**Nicolas Tejada, FACHE**  
**Market CEO, The Hospitals of Providence**



Nicholas Tejada is the Group Chief Executive Officer for The Hospitals of Providence. The Hospitals of Providence includes over 60 access points in the community, including four acute care hospitals and a children's hospital.

In addition to his role as Group CEO, Nicholas serves as the Chief Executive Officer for The Hospitals of Providence Memorial Campus and Providence Children's Hospital. Prior to his current role, he served as CEO of THOP Transmountain Campus, THOP Sierra Campus and the THOP East Campus.

Nicholas was the recipient of the 2018 Early Career Achievement in Medicine Award by the University of Kansas Medical Alumni Association, the first non-physician to receive such recognition. He was the recipient of the 2017 ACHE Robert S. Hudgens Memorial Award for Young Healthcare Executive of the Year. He is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives and is a Past Chair of ACHE's National Early Careerist Committee. For two years, he served as the Chair for the AHA's Institute for Diversity and Health Equity. He was named a Modern Healthcare 2011 "Up & Comer". The Federation of American Hospitals awarded Nicholas the 2013 Corris Boyd Diversity & Leadership Award. Modern Healthcare named him as a 2016 Recipient of the Modern Healthcare inaugural "Top 10 to Watch" Minority Healthcare Executives. He serves as Adjunct Assistant Professor with the TTUHSC Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing.

**David Shimp, FACHE**  
**CEO, Del Sol Medical Center**



David Shimp has been the Chief Executive Officer at Del Sol Medical Center in El Paso, TX since February 2017. Before getting into hospital administration, he was a surgical assistant at Baylor College of Medicine, a gynecologic oncology research assistant at MD Anderson Cancer Center, and an I/T analyst at Bon Secours Richmond Health System.

He has spent the last 16 years of his career with HCA serving in a number of administrative roles including three years at Rose Medical Center in Denver as associate administrator, six years at OU Medical Center in Oklahoma City culminating as COO, and four years at St. David's Medical Center in Austin as COO.

David completed his undergraduate degree at the University of Richmond and received a BA in Leadership Studies and a Minor in Biology. He then continued his education at the Medical College of Virginia at Virginia Commonwealth University where he received a Master of Healthcare Administration.

**Dr. Deborah Chasco,  
Director Nursing Informatics, University Medical Center**



Dr. Deborah Chasco has 42 years of experience in nursing to include management and administration and advanced practice nursing in the state of Texas as a CNS in Maternal Child Health. She is currently the Director of Nursing Informatics at the University Medical Center of El Paso since March 31, 2014. She is Faculty as Associate Professor at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Gayle Hunt School of Nursing El Paso Campus where she currently teaches Introduction to Nursing Informatics for the BSN Program and Advanced Nursing Informatics for the Masters of Nursing Administration Program at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Gayle Hunt School of Nursing.

She has guest lectured at the University of Maryland at Baltimore for the Informatics Masters of Nursing Program. She is certified by AACN as a CCRN in acute and critical care neonatal nursing. Dr. Chasco has presented at various national and local conferences on nursing informatics, nursing leadership, healthcare issues, quality and safety, data analysis, and evidence based practice at Becker's Healthcare and IT Revenue Cycle and Nursing Informatics and Pharmacy Conferences as well as ANIA where she currently serves as Co-Chair for the ANIA Education Committee.

Dr. Chasco will author a chapter in a new DNP book that will be published this year in August 2020. Dr. Chasco has written and been awarded several grants to implement patient care programs and initiatives totaling \$1,474,959.00. She is a member of several professional organizations to include ACHE, Sigma Theta Tau, AONE, ANA, ANIA, NHNA.



**Stephanie Hoelscher, DNP, RN, CPHIMS, FHIMSS**  
**Associate Professor, TTUHSC-Lubbock**



Stephanie H. Hoelscher DNP, RN-BC, CPHIMS, CHISP, FHIMSS is an Associate Professor of Graduate Informatics at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center's School of Nursing in Lubbock, Texas.

She is a registered nurse with 25 years of experience in trauma and acute care settings. In 2010, she moved to informatics and assisted in the implementation of an electronic health record (EHR) for a large academic center. To date, she continues to aid in the design and build of EHR applications for two ambulatory systems as well as a large medical center. She has served as a member of the implementation team for development of an EHR within a high-fidelity simulation center, concentrating specifically on obfuscation and de-identification of patient data.

Dr. Hoelscher worked with the local SAFER Guides leadership group to improve the safety of the institutional EHR. She is currently a member of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDCs) Adapting Clinical Guidelines for the Digital Age project. Recent highlights include testifying at the Public Health Task Force in Washington, DC, regarding Zika and its impact on clinical decision support (CDS) systems. She is currently serving with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and their Covid-19 task force in development of best practice on the use of interoperability and CDS in the EHR. Dr. Hoelscher is the recipient of the 2018 American Association of Colleges of Nursing and CDCs Doctor of Nursing Practice Informatics award.

**Becky Bounds, MSN, RN-BC, CPHQ**  
**Program Manager, TexLa-Telehealth Resource Center**



Becky Bounds is Program Manager for TexLa Telehealth Resource Center, a division of the Institute for Rural and Community Health at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

Becky earned her Master's in Nursing with the TTUHSC School of Nursing. In addition to clinical nursing experience in multiple settings, Becky has 18 years' experience in ambulatory health care quality, compliance, and informatics and is now dedicated to advancing telehealth particularly in rural and underserved areas. She holds certifications in Informatics Nursing and healthcare quality.

**Ogechika Alozie, MD MPH FACP**  
**CMO, Del Sol Medical Center**



Ogechika Alozie is a graduate of the University of Minnesota's Infectious Diseases fellowship program. Prior to this he received his medical degree from the University of Benin – Faculty of Medicine in Benin City, Nigeria and then completed an internship and residency at the Hennepin County Medical Center (HCMC) in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he got his introduction to Digital Health. He is board-certified in clinical informatics by the American Board of Preventive Medicine (ABPM), making him one of less than 100 such certified physicians in the state of Texas.

Dr. Alozie recently became the Chief Medical Officer at Del Sol Medical Center, where he will oversee clinical quality, physician alignment and partner in healthcare innovations. He has also been the CEO of Southwest Viral Med (SWVM) a non-profit organization in El Paso responsible for the care of over 1000 clients living with HIV since 2014. Dr. Alozie believes that patient care is the most important part of medicine. “Technology is not a replacement for patient care, but rather a way to enhance and catalyze the care our patients deserve”

As the chair, co-chair or member on multiple state committees, he represents El Paso, focused on how Health information technology can improve care. He gave a TedX - El Paso talk titled “The Digital Immigrant” in 2016, and in the same year was awarded “Best Doctor in the City 2016” by the El Paso City Magazine. In 2017, the El Paso Pharmacy Association gave his clinic the "Award for Innovative Practice".

## **Sally Hurt-Deitch, Group CEO, Mid South, Market CEO Memphis, CEO St. Francis at Tenet Healthcare, Chair, Texas Hospital Association**



Sally Deitch serves as the Group President/Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Mid-South Group, the Market CEO for St. Francis Healthcare and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for St. Francis Memphis. Overseeing the strategic, operational and clinical activities of the 6 acute care hospitals, the network development, strategic integration and expansion activities for the group

Prior to this, Sally served as Tenet's Chief Nursing Officer and Vice President of Patient Care Services, Group CEO for Tenet's El Paso and Rio Grande Valley hospitals, and CEO of The Hospitals of Providence (THOP), where she was responsible for the strategic, operational and clinical activities of the five-hospital system. Prior to serving as CEO for the system, she served as CEO for the system's East Campus and COO for the market in 2008.

Prior to joining Tenet, Sally served as CEO of Oklahoma University Medical Center Edmond. Previously, she held multiple administrative positions with Hospital Corporation of America, including CNO and COO.

Sally earned a master's degree in Nursing Administration from the University of Texas at El Paso, a master's degree in Healthcare Administration from Trinity University and a bachelor's degree in Nursing from the University of Texas at El Paso.

She has been recognized with many awards, including twice being named one of healthcare's 10 Women Leaders to Watch by Modern Healthcare, a recipient of the Corris Boyd Leadership Award by the American Federation of Hospitals, and a Distinguished Alumni by the University of Texas at El Paso – the first recipient of that honor from the College of Nursing, and Trinity University's Dean Leonard A. Duce Award, in recognition of outstanding leadership and significant contributions to the health care field.

Sally serves as the chair of the Texas Hospital Association, is the immediate past-president of the National Association of Latino Healthcare Executives, as a member of the board of directors for the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas–El Paso Branch, and is a Regent-at-Large of the American College of Healthcare Executives.

**Col. Dean H. Hommer, MD, FACHE, CPE**  
**CMO & Deputy Commanding Officer, William Beaumont Army**  
**Medical Center**



Colonel Dean Hommer is a Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PM&R) physician with training and board certification in Pain Management. Dr. Hommer holds additional certifications in Sports Medicine and Electrodiagnostic Medicine, a Masters Degree in Business Administration from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, as well as a Masters Degree in Health Systems Administration from the University of Michigan.

COL Hommer graduated from the United States Military Academy and served seven years in the Regular Army before entering medical school at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences. From April 2015 to August 2018, he served as the Chief, Department of Pain

Management, Brooke Army Medical Center. COL Hommer also served as the Consultant to the Army Surgeon General for PM&R for six years. Since October 2018, he has served as the Chief Medical Officer at the William Beaumont Army Medical Center. In January 2020, he also took over duties as the Deputy Commanding Officer. Dr. Hommer has been inducted into the Order of Military Medical Merit and is a recipient of the Army Surgeon General's "A" Designator.

**Cindy Ann Stout**  
**President and Chief Executive Officer, El Paso Children's Hospital**



Cindy Ann Stout is the President and Chief Executive Officer of El Paso Children's Hospital. Prior to joining El Paso Children's Hospital, Dr. Stout served as Chief Nursing Officer at University Medical Center of El Paso, a 327-bed, multi-campus hospital system; prior to that she was the Chief Nursing Officer at Del Sol Medical Center for over 10 years.

Dr. Stout has more than 25 years of experience in healthcare environments and has been responsible for many innovations in the El Paso market. Some of these accomplishments include University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP) Gold Nugget honoree for the School of Nursing (2009), and implementation of an internship program at UTEP & Texas Tech that has now been replicated in multiple cities.

An El Paso native, Dr. Stout received her undergraduate degree in Nursing from the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, a Master of Science in Nursing with an administrative focus from UTEP, and a Doctor of Nursing Practice with executive focus from Duke University.

Dr. Stout is involved in various civic and healthcare activities. She currently serves as Vice Chair for the Children's Hospital Association of Texas Board of Directors; member of the El Paso Rio Grande Cancer Foundation Board of Directors; member of Emergent Health Network Board of Trustees; Texas Tech Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing Advisory Board; UTEP School of Nursing and Health Sciences Advisory Board; El Paso Community College Nursing Advisory Committee; Dona Ana Community College Nursing Advisory Committee; TDSHS Texas Center for Nursing Workforce Studies Task Force – Hospital Nurse Staffing Study; and Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholar – New Careers in Nursing Mentor Program.

Past positions held by Dr. Stout include serving as chair of the American Cancer Society's Board of Directors; chair of the American Cancer Society's Patient Services Committee; chair of Greater El Paso Chamber of Commerce Professional Healthcare Shortage Task Force; and Director at Large and Secretary, Sunset Heights Historical District; Leadership El Paso Class 31.

Dr. Stout and her husband, Ronnie, have three children, Summer, Nicholas, and Melody.

**Derrick Cuenca, FACHE**  
**CEO, MountainView Regional Medical Center**



Derrick Cuenca recently joined MountainView from his very successful market in Granbury, Texas where he was the CEO of Lake Granbury Medical Center, a CHS affiliated facility.

Derrick, a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives, is an accomplished healthcare leader with more than 10 years of executive healthcare administrative experience coupled with 9 years of clinical experience as a surgical technician and supervisor. At Granbury, he led the way in expanding the Lake Granbury Medical Center, expanded service lines and physician practices, implemented practices that resulted in numerous JCS Quality certifications, led the hospital to a 4 Star CMS rating and Joint Commission Top Performer in Quality distinction and expanded points of patient access through development of Express Care clinics. From 1997 to 2006, Cuenca served in the United States Navy as a surgical tech and supervisor, including one tour as a medical corpsman in support of US Marines forward deployed in Iraq.

Derrick holds a master's degree in Health Care Administration from Trinity University and a bachelor's degree in Health Care Management from Southern Illinois University.

Derrick, his wife, Nicole, along with son's Tanner and Parker now reside in Las Cruces and are actively engaging with our community.

**Jesse Roitenberg**  
**North American Education Manager, Stratasys**



Jesse is a former math and science teacher who joined Stratasys and the additive manufacturing industry 14 years ago. He received a BA from the University of Minnesota and has held positions at Stratasys in Marketing, Channel Sales and is currently the Americas Education Manager. He has managed the educational program for the past 4 years and in this role he guides the next generation products, materials and programs for Stratasys.

Jesse has worked with numerous Medical Schools and brings with him a great amount of knowledge around medical applications in additive manufacturing.



**Jody Casey**  
**Vice President of Healthcare Partnerships, Elligo Health Research**



Jody Casey's rare combination of energy, healthcare, and software expertise, and 20 years of successful commercial leadership experience brings many advantages to her role as vice president of healthcare partnerships. In this position, Casey will be responsible for continuing the growth of Elligo's network while working to strengthen relationships with existing partners.

Before Elligo, Casey held various sales leadership and account management roles at several GE companies, including GE Power Digital, GE Energy, and GE Healthcare, and was most recently the vice president of contractual software sales, leading a \$500M sales team. As a community leader, Casey has served on the bond oversight committee for El Paso, Texas; was on the executive board of the El Paso Holocaust Museum; led the Paso del Norte's alternative energy committee; and managed a major U.S. senatorial campaign. Casey earned a bachelor's degree in management from Georgia Institute of Technology.

## **Timothy Washburn** **COO, Electronic Caregiver**



Timothy Washburn RN, BSN, MBAHCM  
AAS in Nursing – Samaritan Hospital School of Nursing  
BSN – SUNY Utica Rome Institute of Technology  
MBAHCM – Western Governors University  
Chief Clinical Officer for Electronic Caregiver.  
RN with over 25 years of experience.

Past experience includes various Nursing roles including bedside staff nursing, varying levels of Nursing Leadership and provision of Project Leadership for Health Technology Implementation and integration within a large national healthcare system.

The overall aim of Electronic Caregiver is to deliver sustainable, proven, customer driven solutions that can support improved patient outcomes, improved communication between the care team members, improved provider satisfaction and the delivery of high value care at an affordable cost.

I chose to move to Electronic Caregiver from the clinical leadership environment due to a deep ceded personal belief that leveraging AI and health technology to effectively support aging in place as well assisting providers at both the point of care and the community health level is critical to effectively managing the ever-growing health care needs faced in the United States and throughout the world. I believe this cannot be achieved through the application of AI or technology alone, but instead, requires a targeted and intelligently designed system that leverages people, process and technology to support the provision of the right care at the right time and in the right place.

**Jonathan Childress, MBA**  
**Community Engagement Manager, Microsoft**



J.J. Childress currently leads Microsoft's TechSpark Initiative in El Paso, an economic development and civic engagement program aimed at helping communities develop the talent for the opportunities of the 21st Century. He values civic engagement and is involved with several non-profits and advisory boards in El Paso.

He is a born and raised El Pasoan and a serial entrepreneur who has founded several separate and diverse businesses from a custom apparel shop to an independent registered investment advisory firm. He was recognized as the Small Business Administration's Young Entrepreneur in 2017."

JJ is a proud graduate from the University of Texas at El Paso with a BBA in Finance and Accounting, as well as an MBA."