



The Future of Primary Care: Quality, Access, and Costs

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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

(In order of appearance on the program)

Sheree Crute, MA, serves as the Director of Communications and Director of the Journalism Grant Program at the NIHCM Foundation. Sheree joined NIHCM in 2020 to develop and lead the organization's communications strategy. Previously, Ms. Crute was director of communications and marketing for the Dornsife School of Public Health at Drexel University, a research and policy communications specialist for the New York Academy of Medicine, and a strategic communications consultant for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, focusing on research and policy.

In addition, Ms. Crute is a veteran journalist with decades of experience writing about public health, health inequity and disparities, medicine, and consumer health. She has written for *Washington Monthly*, *The Root.com*, *Health* magazine, *Consumer Reports on Health*, and is co-founder of *FierceforBlackWomen.com*, a website focusing on black women's health. She also serves on the Board of Directors of the Council on Black Health.

Sheree has a BA in Journalism, an MA in International Affairs from New York University, and a certificate in public health practice from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. She was also a 2011 University of Southern California/Annenberg School of Communications National Reporting Fellow.

Amol S. Navathe, MD, PhD is a Professor of Medicine, Health Policy, and Healthcare Management and Economics at the Perelman School of Medicine and The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He serves as Vice Chairman of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission (MedPAC), advising Congress on Medicare policy, and co-founded Embedded Healthcare (now Clarify Health), a healthcare technology company. A leading scholar on value-based care, behavioral economics, and equitable risk adjustment, Dr. Navathe completed medical training at the University of Pennsylvania and Harvard, earning his PhD from Wharton. He has served as Medical Officer for the \$1B federal comparative effectiveness research program (now PCORI) and co-founded *Health Care: The Journal of Delivery Science and Innovation*. His work has been featured in leading outlets such as the *New York Times*, *Science*, *The New England Journal of*

Medicine, and *JAMA*. Dr. Navathe bridges academics, government, and the private sector to advance healthcare affordability and quality.

Priscilla Wang, MD, MPH, is a Primary Care Physician at Massachusetts General Hospital and serves as Associate Medical Director for Primary Care Health Equity at Mass General Brigham (MGB), in the Office of the Chief Medical Officer. She currently leads MGB system efforts to close clinical disparities along lines of race, ethnicity and language via its United Against Racism campaign. Her work broadly seeks to address structural inequities in health care, particularly with regard to the care of patients with complex health and social needs. Her prior experience includes serving as clinical lead for MGB Medicaid ACO programs supporting at-risk complex patient populations, co-founding national patient advocacy campaigns to promote access to health care, advising patient engagement strategy in the U.S. Office of Health Reform in the Department of Health and Human Services, and leading a patient navigator program at the Yale School of Medicine.

She is a graduate of Harvard College, the Yale School of Medicine, and the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. She completed her residency training in internal medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital, and a Population Health Leadership Fellowship in the Department of Population Health Management at Mass General Brigham.

Romilla Batra, MD, is the Chief Medical Officer at Premera Blue Cross. Dr. Batra has accountability for the company's clinical strategy, focused on making healthcare work better for Premera members and improving the provider experience. She has oversight of teams focused on population health, quality, healthcare performance, clinical programs, utilization management and medical policy.

Prior to joining Premera, Dr. Batra spent more than 12 years at SCAN Health Plan, a national not-for-profit Medicare Advantage plan based in California. She served as their Chief Medical Officer for nearly nine years where she was accountable for SCAN's overall clinical strategy and operations. Previously, Dr. Batra ran primary care clinics at University of California Irvine and Indiana University. She is an internist by training and continues to volunteer and teach in the medical and business schools at University of California Irvine. She holds a Doctor of Medicine degree from UCLA and a Master of Business Administration from the Paul Merage School of Business at the University of California Irvine.

Mia Wise, DO, is the Chief Medical Officer at Kinwell Medical Group. Dr. Wise is responsible for clinical program, care management, and population health strategies as well as strategic partnerships across the network and business operations. Dr. Wise is a family medicine physician with fifteen years in practice and seven years in leadership. Most recently, Dr. Wise was a medical director with Premera's Healthcare Services, working with valued providers to improve healthcare.

After graduating from Middlebury College, Dr. Wise earned her medical degree from Midwestern University and completed her family medicine residency at Swedish Medical Center where she served as chief resident. Dr. Wise's holistic approach to healthcare is mirrored in her personal life where she embraces the fine art of balancing family life, deep friendships, a full night's sleep, and a passion for quiet time on the trail.