



**Elena V. Rios, M.D., M.S.P.H., M.A.C.P.**

Dr. Rios serves as President & CEO of the National Hispanic Medical Association, (NHMA), representing 50,000 Hispanic physicians in the United States. The mission of the organization is to improve the health of Hispanics. Dr. Rios also serves as President of NHMA's National Hispanic Health Foundation to direct educational and research activities.

Dr. Rios also serves on the National Hispanic Leadership Agenda, the Alliance of Multicultural Physicians and Better Medicare Alliance Boards of Directors, Centene Health Equity Committee, US Department of Health and Human Services, and the VA National Academic Affiliations Council. Dr. Rios has lectured, published articles and has received several leadership awards, including awards from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the

Congressional Black, Hispanic, Asian and Native American Caucuses, American Public Health Association Latino Caucus, Association of Hispanic Health Executives, Minority Health Month, Inc., Hispanic Magazine, Latino Leaders Maestro and Top Latina 100, Verizon's First Pollin Community Service, and Amerigroup and National Diversity Council Top Healthcare Leaders. Dr. Rios was appointed to the Minority Alumni Hall of Fame of Stanford University in October, 2006, as a Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine in 2007, the Institute of Medicine Global Forum for Health Professions Education in 2014, as a Fellow (2016) and Master (2022) of the American College of Physicians, and as a member of the Society of Medical Administrators in 2017.

Prior to her current positions, Dr. Rios served as the Advisor for Regional and Minority Women's Health for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office on Women's Health from November 1994 to October 1998. In 1998-2004, Dr. Rios served as Executive Director, Hispanic Serving Health Professions Schools. In 1993, Dr. Rios was appointed to the National Health Care Reform Task Force as Coordinator of Outreach Groups for the White House. From 1992-94, Dr. Rios worked for the State of California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development as a policy researcher.

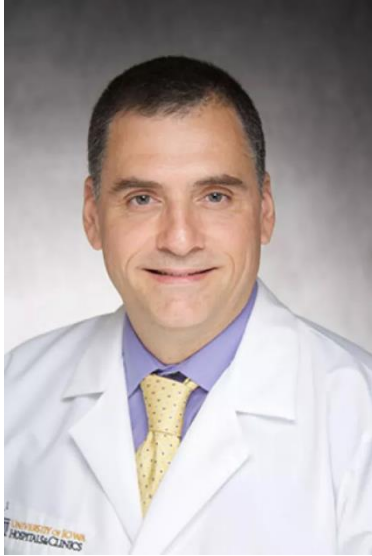
Dr. Rios has also served as President, Chicano/Latino Medical Association of California, Founder of the National Network of Latin American Medical Students, member of the California Department of Health Services Cultural Competency Task Force, and Stanford Alumni Association, Women's Policy Inc., NIH Office of Research on Women's Health Advisory Committee, Care First Blue Cross Blue Shield, Nurse Family Partnerships, Campaign Against Obesity, and Partnership for Prevention Boards of Directors, PacifiCare-UnitedHealthcare California Investment Committee, CDC Health Disparities Committee, ASU Health Futures Council, Cancer Treatment Centers of America Hispanic Advisory Council and the AMA's Disparities Commission and Minority Affairs Consortium Steering Committees.

Dr. Rios earned her BA in Human Biology/Public Administration at Stanford University in 1977, MSPH at the UCLA School of Public Health in 1980, MD at the UCLA School of Medicine in 1987, and completed her Internal Medicine residency at the Santa Clara Valley Medical Center in San Jose and the White Memorial Medical Center in East Los Angeles in 1990, and her NRSA Primary Care Research Fellowship at UCLA Division of General Internal Medicine in 1992.



**Julieta Argüelles, MD**

Experienced International Medical Doctor specializing in oncology clinical trials. Committed to research-driven patient outcomes and stringent regulatory standards. Advocate for Latin International Medical Graduates (LatIMGs) in the US healthcare system. Founder of LatIMGs: A community championing cultural competence, equal opportunities, and quality care for underserved communities. Our core values include equity, empowerment, and innovation. Offering resources and mentorship to our members, we embody the Latin phrase "Per aspera ad astra" – through hardships to the stars.



### **Marcelo Correia, MD, MSC, PhD**

Dr. Marcelo Correia is a clinical assistant professor at the Division of Endocrinology at the University of Iowa and a Diplomate of the American Board of Obesity Medicine. He graduated from the State University of Rio de Janeiro Medical School in Brazil and holds a PhD degree in Translational Biomedicine from the University of Iowa. His major clinical interest is bariatric medicine practiced at the UI Weight Management Clinic and VA MOVE program. He is also an investigator at the UI Diabetes Research Center where he studies the role of ER-stress in the setting of skeletal muscle-specific DRP1 knock down. He also conducts clinical trials on obesity, diabetes and dyslipidemia at the Preventive Intervention Center at UI, with a particular focus on steatotic liver disease.