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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.



Jose Burgos, MD, MBA, FACP, FHM

Dr. Burgos is the Medical director of the Hospitalist department, Post acute care division and Housing authority clinics at the University medical Center of El Paso and UMC East surgical hospital.

He is the President and CEO of Mobilemed, COO of El Paso Medical Research Institute and COO of Ucare, Urgent care clinics.

He is originally from Venezuela, where he obtained his Medical degree from Universidad de Carabobo. Dr. Burgos has a post doctoral fellowship in Stem cell therapy from University of South Florida in

Tampa and did his residency in Internal Medicine at Texas Tech University, Paul Foster School of Medicine at El Paso Texas.

He was an assistant professor at Texas Tech Paul Foster School of Medicine and the Internal Medicine clerkship director. He was also the associate program director at the Internal Medicine residency program at Del Sol medical center in El Paso Tx.

He founded El Paso Medical Research Institute in 2016 and has conducted over 60 clinical trials as a PI and Sub I in different areas of medicine.

His main focus is to increase access to trials in underserved communities and to decrease disparities in medicine.



Joseph Martel, MD

Dr. Joseph Martel is the Assistant Dean of the Department of Graduate Education and Chair of the Department of Ophthalmology at the California Northstate College of Medicine. Dr. Martel attended Stanford University and later earned his medical degree from the University of Wisconsin Medical School. He spent over 10 years as a Clinical Professor and advisor to the Dean on diversity with the UC Davis School of Medicine.

He has long been an advocate for diversity, which has included head of a diversity taskforce on Medical School Diversity for the California Senate, a trustee for the California Health Professions Program, President of the Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and director of health policy for the California Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Presently he is involved in the “SoloKiko” Program to improve healthcare to underserved communities.

Dr. Martel has over 20 years of experience in conducting both basic science research and FDA Clinical trials. He has extensive experience in promoting diversity in clinical trials and the difficulties in achieving this.