

WORKSHOP III

Addressing Disparities in Diabetes
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Seton Ascension Welcome



Shelley Szucs, MBA, CPA, Business Development Planning Manager for Public Health Alliances, Seton Ascension

Shelley Szucs joined the Seton Family in 2010. Over the years, she has been the Finance person responsible for most (if not all) of the non-clinical areas, including Network Services, DSRIP, and Seton Cove. In 2015 she left the Finance organization to work for Willie Lopez, where she is doing business development with our Public-Private Partnerships. She enjoys representing Seton, by being an optimistic and collaborative partner to the organizations in our community. Prior to joining Seton, she held various finance and accounting roles at Freescale, PepsiCo, and Motorola. She currently serves on the board of Any Baby Can, helping parents raise happy and healthy children. Previously, she served on the board of a Chicago nonprofit with a mission to develop readers in Chicago primary public schools by investing in teachers as agents of change. Shelley claims to be an original Austinite. She moved here when she was three years old. She had to “get away” for college, but only went as far as College Station and loves those Aggies. After undergrad, she lived in Chicago for eight years, where she became a CPA and got her MBA from Northwestern University.

Introduction to the Community Care Collaborative



Dr. Mark Hernandez, Chief Medical Officer and Executive Vice President, Community Care Collaborative

Dr. Hernandez works with multiple clinicians and service organizations throughout Travis County to fulfill the goals of the Collaborative, which include transforming the delivery of care into an integrated system. Dr. Hernandez started in health care in 1993, when he was licensed as a registered nurse and worked for the Harris County Hospital District and Ben Taub General Hospital in Houston as an intensive care nurse for 10 years. Dr. Hernandez, who graduated from Baylor College of Medicine in 2003, did his residency in internal medicine at University Medical Center Brackenridge and, upon graduation, served as chief resident. He entered general internal medicine practice with Scott & White Clinic in Pflugerville before returning to Seton in 2008 as an academic hospitalist at University Medical Center Brackenridge. In 2011, he became their medical director. One year later, he was promoted to his current position, adding the hospital ambulatory clinics, including the Shivers Cancer Center and Infusion Suite, an internal medicine primary care clinic, numerous sub-specialty clinics and Seton Total Health Partners, a population health program to serve the needs of chronically ill under and uninsured patients in Travis County to his list of responsibilities. Dr. Hernandez is board-certified in internal medicine. He holds academic appointments with the University of Texas Southwestern University and the University of Texas Medical Branch, is adjunct faculty with the University of Texas at Austin School of Nursing and active in advanced practice nursing student education.

Diabetes Panel Discussion



Dr. Susan Dubois, Director of Specialty Care, CommUnityCare Health Centers

Susan Dubois is Director of Specialty Care for CommUnityCare and has been a practicing Endocrinologist focusing on care for medically vulnerable persons in Austin since 1999. She has faculty appointments at the University of Texas at Austin in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Education and at UT Dell Medical School in the Departments of Internal Medicine and Population Health. In her clinical practice, she focuses on fostering resilience and healthy behaviors to improve self-care and diabetes management skills in her patients through a variety of modalities including group appointments and close collaboration with an expanded care team which includes clinical pharmacists, registered dietitians, behavioral health counselors, care navigators, nurses, and community health workers. As Director of Specialty Care, she works with leadership to increase access, improve quality, and provide evidence-based technologies to patients at CommUnityCare.



Elizabeth Marrero, Program Director, Central Health Southeast Health & Wellness Center

As Program Director for Central Health's Southeast Health & Wellness Center, Elizabeth is involved with Phase II planning and programming for the site. She looks forward to accomplishing the initial goals set for the Southeast Health & Wellness Center and helping make it the innovative center that Southeast Austin wants and needs. Before joining CommUnityCare and Central Health in 2012, she was the Community Development Specialist for Parkland Hospital where her primary responsibilities were to address and identify gaps in services, coordinate health events, and assess the needs of underserved residents of Dallas County.



Estephania Olivares, Program Coordinator, Austin Public Health

Estephania Olivares is a Program Coordinator with Austin Public Health working specifically with the 1115 Waiver Diabetes Education Project. She has been with Austin Public Health for the past four years working in the Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention Program. Estephania is passionate about empowering the community to make healthy choices through culturally sensitive approaches and evidence-based interventions. She is also passionate about utilizing geospatial data in public health to facilitate data-driven decisions. Estephania believes quality data and integrated approaches have the power to create an environment conducive to healthy behaviors and reduce barriers for community members.



Sarah Sebtton, Program Manager, Community Care Collaborative

Sarah Sebtton is a project manager at the Community Care Collaborative and a Public Health Officer in the Texas State Guard. A native of Israel, Sarah moved to the United States at age five and grew up in the suburbs of Philadelphia. She received a bachelor's from Wake Forest University and a dual master's in public administration and public health from New York University in 2017. Sarah moved to Austin 11 months ago for her job and is passionate about creating access to health care services for low-income populations. When not at work, Sarah can be found spoiling her two pet rabbits, attending a local art show or theatre production, and eating her way through every food truck and bakery in the city.Æ

