Panel for April Ethics Lecture
What can I do? A Conversation on Healthcare Inequities

Antwione Haywood, PhD

Antwione Haywood, PhD, is the assistant dean of student affairs and assistant professor of clinical radiation oncology. In his role he oversees various aspects of the student experience including wellness, diversity programming and student success initiatives. He completed his doctoral training at Indiana University-Bloomington, his master’s degree from the University of Kansas, and his bachelor’s degree from Old Dominion University. He is affiliated with the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity.

Ashley Meagher, MD

Dr. Ashley Meagher is a Trauma and Acute Care Surgeon at IU Health Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis, Indiana and is affiliated with Indiana University Health Medical Center. She is board certified in General Surgery and Surgical Critical Care. She received her medical degree from the University of Utah School of Medicine in 2010. Dr. Meagher completed her surgical residency at Loyola University Medical Center in 2018, and her Surgical Critical Care Fellowship at Harborview Medical Center, University of Washington in 2019.

Dr. Meagher’s primary research interests are in health disparities pertaining to the emergency general surgical and trauma populations. This includes research in surgical workforce shortage, rural emergency surgery, and transfers of care through the hospital system. She received her MPH from University of North Carolina in 2014, where she completed an AHRQ T32 training grant. Since beginning at Indiana, she has received an AHRQ K12 award in Learning Health Systems to improve access for emergency surgical transfers.

Additionally, Dr. Meagher has started and continues to coordinate Indiana Comfort Care Quilts, which makes and provides quilts for patients going to comfort care from IU Health Methodist hospital. This program, which is two years old, has provided nearly 500 quilts for patients at the end of life. Dr. Meagher has a specific clinical interest in surgical Palliative Care.

Outside of medicine, Dr. Meagher’s interests are broad. She loves the outdoors, enjoys bird-watching, hiking, and camping. She sews quilts for the ICC program, as well as family and friends. She is also an avid traveler.

Ukamaka Oruche, PhD, RN, FAAN

Dr. Oruche is Associate Professor and the Director of Global Programs at Indiana University School of Nursing. Dr. Oruche’s research ensures that the mental health needs of children and their family caregivers are given full clinical consideration. Her work has been particularly significant as it reveals for the first time the stress that this population experiences from interactions with multiple child service systems. Dr. Oruche is developing a National Institute of Health (NIH) funded parent-provider intervention to assist caregivers in their interactions with mental health systems. Dr. Oruche’s work with underserved populations has had an international impact. She is the founder of Providence Community Health Initiative, which has conducted weekly clinics for diabetes, hypertension, and malaria in southern Nigeria since 2004. Her contributions to clinical practice and research have resulted in expanded scope and reach through leadership on boards that influence mental health policy in Indiana, US, and globally. Her service portfolio includes appointments to: Indiana Mental and Behavioral Health Taskforce of the Governor Pence Healthcare Workforce Council; Indiana Protection and Advocacy Services Commission by Governor Eric Holcomb, and International Society of Psychiatric Mental Health Nurses. Dr. Oruche research and service contributions to mental health and welfare of children and families have been recognized with several awards including 2020 COVID 19 Courage Award from the American Academy of Nursing.
and Hospital and Health Care Heroes from U.S. News and World Report. Dr. Oruche earned her bachelor’s, master’s degrees and doctorate in nursing from Indiana University School of Nursing. She is a fellow of the American Academy of Nursing; past Chair of the academy's Psychiatric, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Expert Panel, and 2021-2022 President-Elect of the International Society of Psychiatric Mental Health Nurses.

**Katie Pettit, MD**

Dr. Katie Pettit completed her Emergency Medicine residency at Indiana University School of Medicine. She is board-certified in Emergency Medicine and serves as clinical faculty in the IU Health Methodist Emergency Department. Dr. Pettit spent 7 years as Associate Program Director for the Emergency Medicine residency program and is now the Vice Chair of Education. In this role, she contributes to and oversees all educational missions in the Department of Emergency Medicine. Her interests beyond patient care and medical education are teaching communication, implicit bias, and researching how to improve empathic care in the Emergency Department.

**William A. Taylor III, M.Div, BCC**

William is currently Director of Chaplaincy for IU North Hospital and the Indianapolis Suburban Region. He has been with IU for over 20 plus years as a chaplain working in Pediatrics, Adult Med-Surge, Women’s Health, and Critical Care Areas. Before that, he was a pastor and church planter. William has extensive experience working with diverse populations as a spiritual leader. Over the years, he has conducted workshops in diversity, leadership, and personal empowerment. William has academic training in psychology, education, and theology. He loves meeting new people of diverse cultures and is ready to listen to how we can create what is possible!

**Patricia A. Treadwell, MD, FAAD, FAAP**

Dr. Treadwell is board certified in Pediatrics and Dermatology and a Fellow of the AAP and AAD. She is a graduate of Cornell University School of Medicine and completed residencies in Pediatrics and Dermatology at the Indiana University Medical Center. In 1983, she became an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Dermatology at Indiana University School of Medicine (IUSM) and is now Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics and Dermatology. In addition, she is Special Adviser to the Dean and Chief Diversity Officer of IUSM.

Dr. Treadwell has been involved with issues of health care disparities for much of her medical career. She has been a practicing pediatrician at Forest Manor Community Health Care Center (in a medically underserved area) in Indianapolis, one-half day weekly for the past 30 years.

Dr. Treadwell is President-elect for the Society for Pediatric Dermatology (SPD). She is a member of the recently formed EDI committee for the SPD. She is past Chairperson of the AAP Dermatology Section.

Dr. Treadwell received The Alvin H. Jacobs Award from the AAP section on Dermatology “In Recognition of her Outstanding Contribution to the Field of Pediatric Dermatology”. Awarded 7/11/15 at the Society for Pediatric Dermatology Annual Meeting in Boston. She also received the “Breakthrough Woman” Award presented by the Coalition of 100 Black Women 7/2016. She was also awarded the Women Warriors Award from the Indianapolis Chapter of the Links on 11/10/18.