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Bios
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Dr. Mate is the President and Chief Executive Officer at the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI), President of the Lucian Leape Institute, and a member of the faculty at Weill Cornell Medical College. Dr. Mate’s scholarly work has focused on health system design, health care quality, strategies for achieving large-scale change, and approaches to improving value. Previously Dr. Mate worked at Partners in Health, the World Health Organization, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, and served as IHI’s Chief Innovation and Education Officer. Dr. Mate has published numerous peer-reviewed articles, book chapters and white papers and has received multiple honors including serving as a Soros Fellow, Fulbright Specialist, Zetema Panelist, and an Aspen Institute Health Innovators Fellow. He graduated from Brown University with a degree in American History and from Harvard Medical School with a medical degree. You can follow him on twitter at @KedarMate

Margaret E. Bourdeaux, MD, MPH
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Dr. Bourdeaux is the research director for the Program in Global Public Policy and Social Change. Her research and fieldwork focus on health systems and institutions in conflict-affected states. She has worked with the Office of the Secretary of Defense Policy to analyze the US Department of Defense’s global health projects and programs. She led a joint Harvard-NATO team of analysts to evaluate the impacts, challenges, and opportunities international security forces have in protecting and rebuilding health systems in conflict-affected states. Dr. Bourdeaux earned her BA at Harvard University, her MD at Yale Medical School, completed her combined residency in Internal Medicine and Pediatrics at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston, MA, and completed her MPH at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. She was one of the first graduates of the Global Women’s Fellowship at Brigham and Women’s Hospital.
Jacob Cabrejas
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Mr. Cabrejas is considering a career in Pediatric Emergency Medicine and has interests in infectious diseases and public health. He is currently working on multiple studies based at BMC on COVID-19 including work on autoimmunity in post-COVID states, the demographics of anosmia and ageusia as identifying characteristics of viral infection, and a public health primer on COVID-19 and its associated statistics and modeling. He has previously engaged in various microbiologic research at Kyoto University, the Czech Institute of Parasitology, and at Icahn School of Medicine at Mt. Sinai. His current global health projects are based in Johannesburg, South Africa in collaboration with the NGO Right to Care and focus on using targeted analysis to increase efficacy of HIV testing and outreach.

Anindita Deb, MD
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Dr. Deb is a Neurologist and Movement Disorders specialist at the University of Massachusetts. In these roles, she organizes and delivers global health didactics, leads discussion sessions, and places trainees in community-based and international electives. UMass has extensive international collaborations including but not limited to India, Kenya, Bolivia, Liberia, Dominican Republic, and China.

In her global health research, Dr. Deb has developed a collaboration with the Neurology Department at Charutar Arogya Mandal and its affiliated hospital in Gujarat, India. She has facilitated bidirectional exchange of residents and faculty.

Josh Drake
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Mr. Drake’s main areas of interest are in global emergency medicine and developing international prehospital care, particularly in East Africa. Prior to medical school he lived in Tanzania where he first volunteered as an EMT at the Muhimbili Emergency Medicine Department in Dar es Salaam and later was hired by Tindwa Medical and Health Services, a prehospital care company where he served as an EMS advisor and trainer. This year, in collaboration with faculty from the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative and Tanzanian emergency physicians, he designed and developed the “Okoa Maisha Save a Life Initiative,” which is currently being implemented in Dar es Salaam. At present there is
extremely limited access to EMS in Dar; this program trains Tanzanian public transportation drivers in basic bleeding control as a means of providing some rudimentary prehospital care to people injured in road traffic accidents, which are the leading cause of death for young adults in Tanzania.

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Born and raised in Nigeria, Dr. Eke completed her undergraduate education at the University of Maryland, College Park and received her medical degree from Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, Baltimore. After residency training in emergency medicine at Cook County Hospital in Chicago, she completed a fellowship in emergency ultrasound at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston.

Dr Eke currently serves as faculty and director of global ultrasound in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital. Her research interests include the development of point-of-care ultrasound education and training in resource-limited settings, particularly in Sub-Saharan Africa and the efficient utilization of point-of-care ultrasound to facilitate patient care in the emergency department.

Rebecca Hamilton, MD MSc
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Although Swedish by birth, Dr. Hamilton grew up abroad and spent much of her childhood in Eastern and Southern Africa (Zambia, Ethiopia, Uganda, and Tanzania). She returned to Sweden for undergraduate studies in development theory and anthropology at Lund University and medical school at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, where she studied global health and conducted research on HIV prevention in South Africa. After graduating medical school, she pursued a Masters in Global Health Policy at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine before transitioning to the US for specialty training in pediatric anesthesiology. During her training she has worked as a clinician at refugee encampments in Greece and in Nigeria and served as a consultant on Oxygen delivery during the pandemic for UNICEF. Rebecca continues to work academically on global health and development projects focusing on surgical systems strengthening in low- and middle-income countries. She lives in Boston with her husband Matt and Labrador Demian and enjoys tennis and amateur rooftop gardening.
David C. Henderson, MD  
Professor and Chair, Department of Psychiatry; Assistant Dean, Diversity and Inclusion, Boston University School of Medicine  
Psychiatrist-in-Chief, Division of Psychiatry, Boston Medical Center

Dr. Henderson previously served as Director of The Chester M. Pierce, MD Division of Global Psychiatry at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH), Director of the MGH Schizophrenia Clinical and Research Program, and Medical Director of the Harvard Program in Refugee Trauma. Dr. Henderson serves as Co-Director of the NIMH T32 Boston University School of Medicine (BUSM)/Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) Global Mental Health Clinical Research Fellowship. He has worked internationally for the past 25 years in resource-limited settings, and areas impacted by mass violence, disasters and complex emergencies. Dr. Henderson has conducted research and training programs in Bosnia, Cambodia, East Timor, Ethiopia, Haiti, Liberia, New Orleans, New York City, Rwanda and Peru, South Africa, and Somaliland among other places. His work has consisted of field studies, needs assessments, mental health policy development and strategic planning, quantitative and qualitative surveys, mental health capacity building programs for specialized and primary health professionals, and skill-transfer program evaluation. In the United States, he has conducted more than 30 randomized clinical trials in severely mentally ill populations.

Daniel Palazuelos, MD, MPH  
Associate Physician, Brigham and Women's Hospital  
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Director for Community Health Systems, Partners In Health  
Co-founder, Compañeros En Salud – Mexico

Dr. Palazuelos is a global health implementer-educator who started his career in global health equity by living and working with community health workers (CHWs) in impoverished communities in Chiapas, Mexico, and these grassroots experiences have deeply influenced his approach to addressing the biggest challenges in global health. Over the last decade, he helped to launch Compañeros En Salud - México (PIH's program in Mexico), the Financing Alliance for Health (which helps governments design and fund ambitious, affordable, and at-scale community health programs), and the Community Health Impact Coalition (a five-year quality initiative by some of the field’s most innovative implementers to catalyze the adoption of high-impact community health systems design). During the COVID-19 pandemic, he served as the Technical Lead for the PIH-US Public Health Accompaniment Unit's work supporting migrant workers in Immokalee, Florida.

Now as a clinician-educator at BWH in Boston, the Director of Community Health Systems at PIH, a strategist for the PIH project in Mexico, a mentor and course director at HMS, and a residency assistant program director at BWH, his unified goal is to assure that our finest clinicians are trained to understand the community perspective, and our health care system strengthening efforts are aligned to the real needs of people living in the poorest and most difficult circumstances.
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Dr. Rohrer is a surgeon in Greater Boston, and he is the Faculty Lead for the Tufts Fourth-Year Global Health Elective in Panama, and Director of Clinical Preceptorships for the NGO Amazon Promise, based in Iquitos, Peru.

His early introduction to Global Health took place in Africa and Southeast Asia. Current roles are in medical education in Central and South America, both for local and visiting health care providers. More specific efforts have been made to introduce ATLS & ALSO training programs in Central America, and to initiate a dialysis access program in Iquitos; he plans to continue with these as opportunities arise. He enjoys collaborating with medical students in Panama and Peru, as well as those from the UK, USA, and Australia.

Suzy Sarfaty, MD  
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Dr. Sarfaty’s passion for global health began while in medical school with a clinical immersion experience in a rural hospital in Chile. She returned for two months during internal medicine residency to work on a case control study of human papilloma virus in rural clinics on the outskirts of Santiago. She also participated in several short-term mission trips in Honduras and Ecuador.

As Assistant Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. Sarfaty helped to build the global health program at Boston University School of Medicine over the past 20 years, leading curriculum development, mentoring workshops and helping to spearhead a pre-departure open access course now used widely across the country “The Practitioners Guide to Global Health.” * She is committed to helping students of the health professions achieve success in whatever path they choose. She has served on national committees for Global Health (IHMEC, GHEC, CUGH) and loves to collaborate on global themes across disciplines. She has spent her clinical career working in the East Boston Community Health Center, primarily with the immigrant Hispanic community. While not currently engaged in research, she is happy to serve as a mentor for medical students with similar interests.