OHSU OB/GYN Diversity Committee Resources

Hi everyone - Our Diversity Committee put together this list of people in our program (residents and faculty) who are available for any sort of questions or conversations you might want to have about our department, our residents, and life in Portland. Feel free to contact us! Email: parkerim@ohsu.edu for more information



Paula Amato - REI Faculty

Dr. Amato is an out lesbian physician and former Member of the Board of GLMA, the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association. She is originally from Canada, born to Italian immigrant parents, and the first in her immediate family to attend college.



Katie Au - Generalist Faculty

Katie Au is a biracial generalist OB/GYN. She grew up in San Francisco, attended Oberlin College, and went to Dartmouth Medical School. She has particular interests in medical education and health disparities. She's also a sports enthusiast and enjoys cheering on the Portland Timbers.



Samantha Batman - Alumni

Sam is a Adjunct Clinical Professowho identifies as a "Hispasian" (aka Mexican/Taiwanese). She grew up in Los Angeles, CA and went to med school at Dartmouth in New Hampshire. She couples matched with her husband Jason, who is an ortho resident, and they live with their dog Nemo and cat Bobbins. She is interested in working with underserved communities and also has interests in global health.



Amanda Bruegl - GynOnc Faculty

Dr. Bruegl is a member of the Oneida Nation tribe and an Assistant Professor in the Division of Gynecologic Oncology. She also serves as the Director of Tribal Engagement for the Northwest Native American Center of Excellence at OHSU. Her research interests include gynecologic cancer prevention within the Native community and hereditary cancer syndromes.



Rosa Carbonell - Chief Resident

Dr. Carbonell is a first generation Mexican-American. She was born in Hermosillo, Mexico, but spent most of her life in Tucson, AZ. She then left the sunny southwest to go to medical school in St. Louis, MO. She is especially interested in working with underserved communities, especially the Latina community. She loves being a resident at OHSU because she gets to work with underserved patients and a large Latina/Hispanic population and she truly gets to be an advocate for these patients.



Aaron Caughey - Department Chair

Aaron Caughey is Professor and Chair, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology. He is half-Japanese and an introvert. He is from South King County in Washington, trained at Harvard and UCSF and came to OHSU seven years ago and is committed to improving health care for women and children in Oregon.



Gene de Haan - Alumni

Gene completed their residency at OHSU last year and will continue to work with residents as a generalist at Kaiser Westside in Portland. They identify as genderqueer, nonbinary, and queer. They are from Portland originally, went to med school at UCSF and returned to Portland for training. They are dedicated to trans and queer health and are one of the founding members of the OB/GYN Diversity Committee.

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Annessa Kernberg - Alumni

Annessa is a chief resident at OHSU who identifies as San Franciscan queer with an obsession for the fiber arts. She went to Stanford for undergrad, Boston University for medical school, and is now exploring the Pacific North West. She is pursuing an MFM fellowship after residency at Washington University in St Louis.



Claire Learmonth - Chief Resident

Claire is a 4th year resident. She is part Chickasaw and Cherokee, otherwise mostly white, and 100% Queer. She grew up as an "expat kid" living in Pakistan, Bangladesh, Indonesia, and the Czech Republic before graduating from high school. She went to Tulane where she majored in Latin American Studies and went to Harvard for medical school. In between, she served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Guatemala, an EMT and medical assistant in Vermont, worked on a goat dairy in rural Pennsylvania, a doggy daycare in New Orleans, and at a magazine call center in North Idaho.



Jamie Lo - MFM Faculty - Associate Director Resident Research and Scholarship

Maternal Fetal Medicine faculty at OHSU of Asian descent. I am originally from Oregon, went to college at UC Berkeley, medical school at OHSU, residency in Utah, and returned to Portland for my specialty training. Aside from clinical and patient care, I spend a large portion of my time conducting research at the Oregon National Primate Center using non-human primate pregnancy models of environmental perturbation.



Kathy Jorda - Generalist Faculty - Associate Program Director

Is one of the generalist faculty and is an associate program director. Her parents immigrated from the Philippines and she grew up in the suburbs of Chicago. She spent much of her adult life in Manhattan and moved to Portland in 2011. She is an introvert by nature and loves seeing other introverts succeed in ob/gyn, so don't hesitate to contact her!



Nicole Marshall - MFM Faculty

Nicole is an assistant professor of maternal-fetal medicine who trained at the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and the University of Utah before returning to the Northwest for MFM fellowship at OHSU. When she isn't in clinic or enrolling patients in her NIH funded study on the influence of maternal body composition and diet on fetal growth, she can probably be found chasing her toddlers.



Elizabeth Munro - GynOnc Faculty

Elizabeth Munro is originally from Portland, Oregon. She went to medical school at Columbia University. She completed her residency at Stanford and went on to complete her gynecologic oncology fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital. She is a lesbian physician and lives in Portland with her partner and their two kids.



Leonardo Pereira - MFM Faculty

Leo Pereira is an Associate Professor and Director of Maternal-Fetal Medicine. He is from Brazil and like most Brazilians, he likes to sing, dance, and play soccer but can't flop as well as Neymar.



Azadeh Poursaid - Chief Resident

Azadeh is a 4th year resident who is of Persian descent. She grew up in Salt Lake City where she also completed her undergraduate and graduate training in bioengineering and medicine at the University of Utah. She trained as a physician scientist and focused her PhD thesis on medical device design and drug delivery. She plans to continue this type of research and pursue a career in academic medicine



Maria Rodriguez - Family Planning Faculty

Maria is a generalist with specialty training in family planning. She is the daughter of an immigrant (Cuba), married to an immigrant (Irish/UK/Swiss), and has been an immigrant herself (Switzerland). Her clinical work and research focus on eliminating reproductive health disparities through evidence based family planning policy.



Lishiana Shaffer - Generalist Faculty

Dr. Shaffer is one of our OB/Gyn Generalist Faculty originally from San Jose, California. She is the granddaughter of Mexican migrant farm workers and the 1933 Oregon Cave Queen of Grants Pass, Oregon. She attended Yale University and then graduated from MCP-Hahnemann School of Medicine in 2001. She did her residency at Kaiser Oakland and stayed on as faculty until she moved north to OHSU in 2010. She is a true generalist who enjoys and practices all aspects of OB/Gyn. She has a busy faculty practice that includes obstetrics, gynecology and surgery, is the Director of Gynecology for the OHSU Transgender Health Program, is one of two Portland VA Gynecologists, and is the

Generalist lead on the Perinatal Best Practices Committee. She is dedicated to resident education and patient centered care.



Jorge Tolosa - MFM Faculty

Dr. Jorge E. Tolosa is a Professor of Obstetrics & Gynecology, dedicated to Maternal-Fetal Medicine and Global Health. Originally from Colombia where he Co-Directs an NGO, FUNDARED-MATERNA organization dedicated to capacity building, applied research and academic exchange in a network of public and private centers. He has enjoyed living in Portland for 15 years, walking two dogs- one big and one little- (kind of Laurel and Hardy...) and now traveling to see his daughters in Washington DC, Boston and Medellín, Colombia, with his wife Maria C. Leiva an OB Gyn at Providence, Portland, who coordinates medical missions to Guatemala with Medical Teams International. This family speaks Spanglish now and uses whatts up every day...



Keenan Yanit - Generalist Faculty

Keenan Yanit is an OB/GYN Generalist at OHSU who identifies as bi-racial. She was born to a Filipino father and white mother. Although she was born in Southern California, she considers herself an Oregonian. After attending college at the University of Oregon, she completed both her medical school and residency training at OHSU. She has special interests in minimally invasive gynecologic surgery and medical education.