Caring for Patients with Cardiovascular Disease Against the Backdrop of COVID-19 and Systemic Racism | Leadership Panel, presented by Center for Care Innovations | Wednesday, August 19, 2020

Full Faculty Bios

Keynote Speaker:

Ronald L. Copeland, M.D., F.A.C.S.
-Senior Vice President & Chief Equity, Inclusion and Diversity Officer at Kaiser Permanente

Through multiple collaborations, he leads Kaiser Permanente's program-wide efforts to ensure our strategic vision for equity, inclusion, and diversity is successfully implemented to drive strategic business and mission outcomes, empower communities we serve, and result in all Kaiser Permanente members achieving health and health care outcomes that are high quality, equitable, and increasingly more affordable.

Dr. Copeland is a member of Kaiser Permanente's Executive Equity, Inclusion, and Diversity Council, a group composed of the Chairman/CEO and other C-level leaders who oversee executive accountability for embedding the equity, inclusion, and diversity strategy throughout the organization. Additionally, he is chair of the Kaiser Permanente National Equity, Inclusion and Diversity Council, which advises, advocates for, and monitors the successful implementation of the equity, inclusion, and diversity strategy and policy recommendations.

A recently retired board-certified general surgeon, Dr. Copeland joined Kaiser Permanente in 1988 after a six-year honorable tour of duty in the United States Air Force Medical Corps. Dr. Copeland served as president and executive medical director of the Ohio Permanente Medical Group prior to assuming his current role in 2012.

The Rochester, N.Y., native earned his bachelor’s degree from Dartmouth College and his medical degree from University of Cincinnati Medical College. He completed his residency in general surgery at State University of New York Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse. He also attended the Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School.

Dr. Copeland is a board member of Kaiser Permanente School of Medicine, the National Organization on Disability and the Center for Healthcare Innovation; an advisory board member for the Centre for Global Inclusion; a member of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement Equity Advisory Group; and a fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

Recent Awards:

2016 Becker’s Hospital Review recognized Dr. Copeland as one of “15 hospital and health systems chief diversity officers to know.”
2019 Western Regional Minority Supplier Development Council Executive of the Year
2019 Black Doctors.Org Top Blacks in Healthcare
Panel Moderator:

**Winston F. Wong, M.D., M.S., FAAFP**
- Chair, National Council of Asian Pacific Islander Physicians; Chair, DHHS Advisory Committee for Minority Health; Board member, the California Endowment

Dr. Winston Wong has over 35 years of leadership roles in community medicine, including service as the Medical Director of Asian Health Services, HRSA’s Clinical Director for the western region (Region IX), and most recently as medical director for community benefit at Kaiser Permanente. Currently, Dr. Wong chairs the DHHS Advisory Committee for Minority Health, the National Academy of Medicine Roundtable on Health Equity, and the National Council of Asian Pacific Islander Physicians, and is member of the Board of Directors for the California Endowment. Dr. Wong received his medical degree from UC San Francisco, and was profiled as a “Face of Public Health” in the American Journal of Public Health.”
Panelists:

**Tosan O. Boyo, MPH, FACHE**
- Chief of Operations, San Francisco COVID-19 Command Center; Chief Operating Officer, Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital

Born in Nigeria, raised in New Jersey, then backpacking across all seven continents, shaped Tosan’s views on how intersections across culture, policy and health impact vulnerable communities. Tosan believes access to affordable high-quality care is a cornerstone for a thriving society. He’s on a life-long mission to advance equity and eliminate health disparities.

Tosan currently serves as the Chief Operating Officer of Zuckerberg San Francisco General; The City’s Teaching Hospital, only Level 1 Trauma Center, largest Primary Care Center and only Psychiatric Emergency Service. His development of the system-wide strategy to advance Equity at ZSFG received the Best Project Award by the Disparities Solutions Center. In February 2020, Tosan was appointed by San Francisco’s Director of Public Health to serve as the Deputy Commander of the City’s COVID-19 Operations Center. In phase 1 of the pandemic, of the most densely populated cities in the US, San Francisco achieved the lowest COVID-19 death rates, new case rates and highest testing rates. He also serves on the Board of Directors for Fred Finch Youth Centers, a 125 year-old organization providing mental health, transitional housing and social services to families across California.

Tosan previously served as the Director of Ambulatory Services at San Mateo Medical Center where he led the Health System’s transformation of primary, specialty, dental and managed care operations. Under his leadership, California Association of Public Hospitals bestowed SMMC’s Ambulatory Services with the Performance Excellence Award.

Tosan is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives and holds a Master’s degree in Public Health from Montclair. He specializes in utilizing LEAN principles to advance operational effectiveness, quality outcomes and health equity.

**Geoffrey Leung, MD, Ed.M**
- Ambulatory Medical Director and Chair of Family Medicine at Riverside University Health System (RUHS)

Dr. Geoffrey Leung serves as the Riverside University Health System (RUHS) Ambulatory Medical Director and supports the primary care providers at the RUHS Medical Center Clinics and 12 RUHS Community Health Center sites. At RUHS Medical Center, Dr. Leung serves as the Chair of Family Medicine. More recently, he has also been working closely with RUHS Public Health in supporting COVID efforts across Riverside County. Dr. Leung is passionate about Clinical Excellence, Education, Community, and Population Health. He enjoys working on the integration and transformation of care delivery in order to provide our community and residents with the best care possible. Dr. Leung completed his medical degree at Baylor College of Medicine, his training in Family Medicine at Kaiser Orange County, and his Master of Education at Harvard. On a personal note, Dr. Leung is married and has two children (ages 8 and 10) who help ground and inspire him on a daily basis.
Maria Carrasco, MD, MPH  
- Family Medicine, Kaiser Permanente

Dr. Maria Carrasco established her medical practice at the KP Montebello Medical Offices, which serves a highly diverse population. Her passion and commitment for improving the health of diverse patient populations is unwavering and has resulted in ensuring that KP is better prepared to meet the cultural and linguistic needs of its patients/members. In her role as Kaiser Permanente SCal Region Physician Lead for Equity, Inclusion and Diversity, Dr. Carrasco led efforts/programs to reduce health disparities within diverse populations, to improve diverse patient satisfaction, and increase physician/staff awareness/knowledge/skills on provision of culturally responsive care.

She has researched and presented on topics ranging from diversity, language concordance, implicit bias, and health equity related to Diabetes, Hypertension, Colon Cancer screening, Influenza vaccination, Transgender care, LGBT care and Jehovah Witness health beliefs. In addition, Dr. Carrasco has chaired several conferences on Equity, Inclusion, and Diversity at regional and local levels. Her educational activities include clinical teaching, mentoring and acting as preceptor for medical students.

Dr. Carrasco’s has been recognized for her achievements by acquiring certification for the NCQA Multicultural Health Care Distinction award in 2011, 2013 and 2015 for the KP Southern California Region. Her focus was on physician/clinician culturally competent education, reduction of health disparities outcomes through programs/system and diverse physician/clinician recruitment.

Dr. Carrasco received her medical degree from the University of California, Irvine School of Medicine and completed her Family Medicine residency at Kaiser Permanente, Los Angeles. In 2012, she received her Master’s in Public Health with an emphasis in health services/quality from the University of California, Los Angeles. She is on the Board of Directors for the National Hispanic Medical Association (NHMA) and the University of California Irvine School of Medicine, Prime-LC. She is also an Assistant Professor, Department of Clinical Science at the Kaiser Permanente Bernard J Tyson School of Medicine.

Milin Ratanasen, MD, FACP  
- Assistant Physician-in-Chief of Quality, Kaiser Permanente South Sacramento

Dr. Ratanasen graduated from David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA in 2007 and completed his residency and chief residency at UC Davis Medical Center in 2011. He then joined Kaiser Permanente South Sacramento as an adult primary care physician, and currently serves as Assistant Physician-in-Chief of Quality, overseeing population management programs for hypertension, diabetes, and cardiovascular risk reduction.