Preparing Physician Leaders for Consumer-Driven Healthcare

The Graduate Certificate in Physician Leadership prepares physicians to lead complex, integrated healthcare delivery systems. The program equips students with qualitative and evidence-based management and leadership skills. Courses carry graduate degree credit and may be applied towards a master’s degree.

Participants proceed through the certificate requirements in an executive style cohort with monthly on-site sessions with intervening distance and worksite experiential activities, supplemented with visiting scholar and leaders’ conferences. Sessions are facilitated by recognized experts with demonstrated teaching skills, knowledge and “real world” experience, and are supported by a team coordination and project management software.

Admission: Prospective student must have:

- Medical degree (MD, DO or equivalent; an official transcript is required)
- Minimum of three years of professional experience
- A statement of purpose and program fit

Program Competencies

- Apply the guiding principles of positive human-centered leadership.
- Identify innovative human-centered leadership and operational design practices.
- List key components of relational high-performing teams and positive organizational learning cultures.
- Explain human-centered organizational transformation and deployment of design strategies.
- Interpret current business models, and contemporary financial and economic trends in the health care ecosystem.
- Practice personal mastery skills and relational capacities for effective communication, shared decision-making, and organizational development.

Requirements

The Physician Leadership certificate enrolls cohorts that proceed through the program together. Topics the physician leadership certificate include:

- Leadership and Innovation
- Business Trends, Models, and Payment Systems
- Relational Communication and Professionalism
- Accounting and Financial Management
- Performance Improvement and Organizational Learning

The Graduate Certificate requires 15 credits.