

Nursing Informatics: Transitions of Care Speaker Bios

Kacie Byron Christie, Clinical Informatics Specialist, Providence Health & Services

Kacie Christie, Senior Clinical Informatics Specialist, joined Providence and the Epic Deployment Team in 2011 and supported Washington, Montana, California, and our Oregon hospitals with Epic training and assistance with "go lives". Along the way, she has been credentialed in Inpatient Nurse and Provider, ADT, Stork, Beacon and also trains Dragon. She is located at the Providence Milwaukie Hospital campus when not out and about training classes. Her prior background for the last 20 years has been as a Teacher, Trainer, Project Manager, Director in a Vocational College, and Account Manager for a Software Company. She also has worked in Social Work and Behavioral Health for Multnomah County District Attorney's Office, the State of Oregon, and Christie Care/Youth Villages as a Victim Advocate, Counselor, and Life Skills Trainer. Kacie was a Lead for a recent deployment of Care Management functionality, and her knowledge of Behavioral Health workflows was beneficial for an opening of a Senior Behavioral Health Unit at Providence Milwaukie Hospital. In her leisure time, she loves creating art, reading, cooking and spending time with family and friends, hiking, camping, visiting the coast, and in general being in our wonderful Oregon outdoors.

Jennie Freimoeller, BS, Clinical Informatics Specialist, Providence Health & Services

Jennie Freimoeller, Clinical Informatics Specialist, joined Providence in 2013 and has worked primarily at Providence Milwaukie Hospital. Jennie has a BS in Psychology with a minor in Human Biology. Besides supporting staff with Epic, she has supported third party applications interfacing to Epic such as Provation; Medicalis, a decision support application; and Sonosite image capture for Surgical Services. Prior to joining Providence, she was supporting customers during EMR go-lives for Legacy, Providence, and PeaceHealth across the Pacific Northwest. Jennie is Epic credentialed in IP Provider, and has worked extensively with the peri-op areas at the hospital. A few of the regional projects that she has been involved with include deployment of Radiant Mammography, Medicalis decision support, and Preference List Composer. She was involved in gap analysis and deployment efforts in support of Providence Milwaukie's Electroconvulsive Therapy program and a discharge – roundtrip workflow for patients transitioning to other sites within Providence. Jennie enjoys spending time working on her new house, playing outdoors, and working in the community garden.

Francisco Sauceda, BSN, RN, Clinical Informatics Specialist, Providence Health & Services

Francisco Sauceda, Clinical Informatics Specialist, joined Providence in 2015 after relocating from Texas. He has been a Registered Nurse for 16 years, including 10 years as an Emergency Room nurse. He made the switch to Informatics while working with Tenet Health in San Antonio, Texas. While he supports all departments of the hospital, his focus is Inpatient (Clindoc) and ASAP (ED). He recently became an Epic Credentialed Trainer for the ASAP/ED Module. Cisco is also located at the Providence Milwaukie Hospital campus. Recent leadership projects include the education and development of champion nurses using appropriate CPM content and auditing efforts to sustain usage. Cisco supports the Emergency Department and their workflows around transitioning of patients to home and/or other hospital sites.



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Cheri Warren, MSHI, RN, RN-BC, Manager, Nursing Informatics, Oregon Health & Science University

Cheri Warren, RN, BSN, RN-BC, is the Manager for Nursing Informatics at Oregon Health & Science University. Cheri's clinical background includes Family Practice and Women's Health in ambulatory settings, and Cardiac Cath Lab and Adult Critical Care in the hospital. In her current role, she provides clinical leadership within the Department of Clinical Informatics, and formulates clinical information system vision and strategy for nursing across OHSU's Healthcare Mission. Her experience in application management, IT best practice, process improvement, and project management informs the informatics perspective that she lends to nursing operations and to project sponsorship. Cheri's team of nurse informaticists partners with pharmacy informatics and EHR analyst teams, to provide support and solutions for clinical disciplines across the enterprise. Recent initiatives include optimization of the inpatient nurse's EHR workspace, standardization of medication supply, dispensing, and administration documentation within ambulatory encounters, and optimization of Ambulatory Care Management tools to support OHSU's membership in the Propel Health collaborative.

Denise Sandell, MSN, RN, CNS, Nurse Informaticist, Oregon Health & Science University

Denise Sandell has been a nurse for 12 years with experience in emergency and cardiac nursing. She has a Master of Science in Nursing, is licensed as a Clinical Nurse Specialist and has worked in roles including nursing clinical instructor and nursing staff development. Denise brings added technical knowledge with her degree in computer science and has been working in nursing informatics since 2012.

Jill Boyer-Quick, MS, Clinical Informatics Consultant, Kaiser Permanente Northwest

Jill Boyer-Quick joined Kaiser Permanente in 2013 as a Clinical Informatics Consultant. She started her career in medical science gaining analytic, database and SQL skills. In 2007, she transitioned to helping hospitals implement and support electronic medical records. She now applies her data and analytics knowledge to helping healthcare business leaders tell clear and compelling stories with data that assist them in understanding the problems they experience and identifying the best approaches to solving them. Jill enjoys spending time with her family, preparing meals from the fresh produce in her garden, and getting out into nature as much as possible.

Sneha Thakkar, MHA, PMP, Clinical Optimization Program Manager, Kaiser Permanente Northwest

Sneha Thakkar joined Kaiser Permanente in 2016 to assist care delivery leadership in the transformative redesign of hospital operations to support patient flow. Sneha has a Masters in Health Administration from the University of North Carolina and is a certified Project Management Professional. Prior to joining Kaiser, Sneha worked as a healthcare consultant to implement projects in top ranking hospitals across the country in areas such as, clinical operations, patient flow, patient access, revenue cycle, and system implementation. In her spare time, Sneha enjoys reading, cooking, and hiking beautiful Oregon trails.