



Michael G. Galvez, M.D., F.A.C.S., is a board-certified plastic and reconstructive surgeon with specialized training in pediatric hand surgery. Both of his parents immigrated from Lima, Peru and he grew up in the Bay Area. He went to Diablo Valley College (DVC, a community college), transferred to U.C. Berkeley and majored in molecular/cell biology. He earned his medical degree from Stanford University School of Medicine in 2011 and completed a Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) research fellowship. Dr. Galvez completed his residency in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at Stanford University in 2017 where he was inducted in the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Medical Honor Society. He completed additional

fellowships in 2018 in combined hand and microvascular surgery at the University of Washington in Seattle and in pediatric upper extremity surgery at Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas, Texas. He is the Director of Pediatric Hand and Upper Extremity Surgery at Valley Children's Hospital in Madera, California. He is an awardee of the CalHealthCares a loan repayment program aimed at physicians who provide care to Medi-Cal patients. He is actively engaged in pediatric hand surgery research and has co-edited the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion issue for Hand Clinics with Dr. Kevin Chung. He values the importance of true mentorship and diversity in medicine and founded the National Latino Physician Day, celebrated on October 1st, with Dr. Cesar Padilla an obstetric anesthesiologist from Stanford University.



Originally from Ecuador, Dr. Cucalon Calderon did his medical School in the Universidad Catolica Santiago de Guayaquil. Moved to the US to train as a General Pediatrician at the University of South Alabama, followed by delivering care in Alexander City, Alabama in a very busy rural Pediatric private practice. This was followed by a return to Academic medicine at the University of Nevada, Reno Pediatric Department as Assistant professor of Pediatrics. In this capacity, he has served children to the best of his ability teaching the next generation of student physicians in culturally informed care for the Latino population. Due to his advocacy, he currently serves the Nevada AAP as its E-Cigarette chapter champion, is one of the Directors for the Board of

Dental Programs of Northern Nevada, is past Medical Director of the Jan Evans Juvenile detention center, has written Opinion pieces, news articles and had TV appearances about topics such as breastfeeding, common childhood illnesses among others. During the COVID 19 Pandemic, was part of the COVID 19 Video Campaign through Immunize Nevada and the Nevada Health Minority Coalition creating Spanish-English videos to help people make an informed decision on choosing vaccination when eligible. His areas of interest are Equitable healthcare delivery for the Latino community, nicotine addiction in children, second-third hand smoke exposure, breastfeeding, vaccination, youth mental health and juveniles in detention





Juanita Mora, M.D., is a highly accomplished physician and leader in the field of allergy and immunology. With a passion for improving the lives of patients, she has dedicated her career to providing exceptional medical care and advocating for lung health. Driven by her passion for medicine, she obtained her Medical Doctorate Degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine. She completed her Internal Medicine and Pediatrics residency program, as well as an Allergy and Immunology Fellowship, at Rush

University Medical Center. She also received a Master of Clinical Research degree from Rush University Medical Center. Dr. Mora currently serves as a Physician and CEO at the Chicago Allergy Center. Since 2014, she has been instrumental in managing the center while also delivering personalized care to her patients. In addition to her clinical work, Dr. Mora has served as a National Volunteer Medical Spokesperson for the American Lung Association since 2018 and has become a highly sought-after expert in the field. She has been featured on various prominent media outlets, including NBC Nightly News with Lester Holt, The New York Times, CNN, USA Today and NPR. Through these interviews, she has effectively conveyed vital information to the public, debunking misconceptions, and providing accurate insights on young vaping, tobacco cessation, the health impacts of poor air quality, asthma, RSV and other respiratory conditions.

She also joined the American Lung Association's National Board on June 24, 2023. Dr. Juanita Mora's commitment to providing exceptional medical care and promoting lung health has made a significant impact on the healthcare community. Her expertise and dedication continue to positively influence the lives of her patients and the broader community she serves Dr. Mora completed NHMA leadership fellowship 2023-2024 with a climate justice project focusing on the health impacts of gas stove emissions and has since used her voice to advocate on new construction laws and healthier indoor air throughout the country specially affecting the communities of color. She published an Op-Ed in the Chicago Tribune on the subject.



Dr. Geraldine Luna is a Medical Director at the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access Bureau, and Incident Commander for the Migrant Response of the Chicago Department of Public Health. Additionally, she serves as National Chair-Elect at the National Hispanic Medical Association, President of the Board of Directors at the Illinois Unidos Coalition, and Executive Board Director at the

Medical Organization for Latino Advancement. She has been involved in healthcare for more than 18 years, focusing on the underserved, marginalized, and segregated Hispanic/Latinx geriatric community. Dr. Luna graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago in Internal Medicine with a Geriatric subspecialty and a Master's in Public Health - Health Policy and Administration. Additionally, she completes an Executive Master's in Business Administration at Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Her interest and work are in minority health, social justice, and equity to bridge health disparity gaps among Black and Brown communities in Illinois. She strongly advocates for culturally and linguistically competent healthcare access for Hispanic/Latine Spanish-speaking immigrants in Chicago.

