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Top Skills

Strategy

Biotechnology

Management

Shereef Elnahal

Under Secretary for Health, US Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, District of Columbia, United States

Experience

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Under Secretary for Health
July 2022 - Present (1 year 4 months)

University Hospital
President and CEO
August 2019 - July 2022 (3 years)
Newark, New Jersey

President and Chief Executive Officer of University Hospital in Newark, the main academic medical center for Rutgers New Jersey Medical School. Former NJ Health Commissioner.

Rutgers New Jersey Medical School
Clinical Associate Professor
December 2019 - May 2022 (2 years 6 months)
Newark, New Jersey

NJ Department of Health
Commissioner of Health
January 2018 - August 2019 (1 year 8 months)
Trenton, New Jersey

New Jersey's 21st Commissioner of Health, serving in the administration of Governor Phil Murphy.

Georgetown University
Adjunct Assistant Professor
July 2017 - June 2019 (2 years)
Washington D.C. Metro Area

Adjunct Assistant Professor in Health Policy and Management at the Georgetown University Department of Health Systems Administration. Taught a graduate course in Health Care Quality and Performance.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
2 years 6 months

Assistant Deputy Under Secretary for Health, Quality, Safety, and Value
November 2016 - January 2018 (1 year 3 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

Chief of health system delivery improvement and patient safety in the largest health care delivery system in the United States. Manage a workforce of over 200 employees and oversee a \$180 million budget, with responsibilities that include performance reporting and transparency around access and quality of care, systems improvement, patient safety incident reporting and mitigation, product recall and human factors engineering, and business value assessments of programs across the veterans health administration.

Director, Diffusion of Excellence Initiative

August 2015 - November 2016 (1 year 4 months)

Washington, District Of Columbia

Established an operating model for identification and spread of best practices in care delivery across the hospital system, called the Diffusion of Excellence Initiative. Testified before the United States Senate in 2016 on improvements resulting from the initiative in access to care, opioid addiction treatment and prevention, care for women veterans, and other improvements in care delivery for veterans across the nation.

The White House

White House Fellow

August 2015 - November 2016 (1 year 4 months)

Washington D.C. Metro Area

Appointed by President Barack Obama as a White House Fellow to the US Department of Veterans Affairs. Established an operating model for identification and spread of best practices in care delivery across the hospital system, called the Diffusion of Excellence Initiative. Testified before the United States Senate in 2016 on improvements resulting from the initiative in access to care, opioid addiction treatment and prevention, care for women veterans, and other improvements in care delivery for veterans across the nation.

Johns Hopkins Hospital

Resident Physician in Radiation Oncology

July 2013 - August 2016 (3 years 2 months)

Baltimore, MD

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, 88th Medical Group

Operations management consultant

July 2014 - August 2015 (1 year 2 months)

Lead a systematic research effort evaluating the efficacy of operational process improvement efforts, as well as the capacity sharing program between Wright-Patterson and surrounding VA hospitals in the Buckeye Federal Health Consortium. Involved in organizational turnaround projects to enhance the efficiency, quality, and safety of care services.

Brigham and Women's Hospital

Resident Physician

June 2012 - June 2013 (1 year 1 month)

Boston, MA

Close Concerns

Summer Associate

May 2011 - June 2011 (2 months)

San Francisco Bay Area

Hired as a consultant for this firm, which specializes in management consultancy for patients with diabetes. I was hired as a consultant to develop the firm's expansion strategy into other business segments, including the development of an information product for students and physicians and insurance companies. I also attended conferences and wrote commentary on abstracts, oral presentations, and industry exhibits.

Dana Farber Cancer Institute

Aide to the Chief Executive Officer

January 2011 - February 2011 (2 months)

Greater Boston Area

I assisted and shadowed the President and CEO, as well as other senior managers involved with clinical and nursing operations, finance, research management, strategy, and general management. This experience encouraged me to write and publish a Harvard Business School case on the manner by which DFCI is project management and intra-institutional collaboration to encourage the development of translational therapies. This case will be taught in the MBA and executive education programs at Harvard Business School.

The Brookings Institution

Research Analyst

June 2008 - August 2008 (3 months)

This was a summer internship at the Engelberg Center for Health Care Reform, part of the Brookings Institution, a policy think tank in Washington,

DC. I had the pleasure of working on several projects during the internship. I worked with a multi-stakeholder initiative to formulate a consensus paper on the steps needed to enhance private sector co-development and government regulatory review of targeted diagnostics and therapeutics. I also prepared a comprehensive report outlining the significance of over-utilization of imaging studies in private physician offices, and recommended various policy and regulatory strategies to redirect physician incentives appropriately. I also contributed to the High Value Health Care Initiative at Brookings, recommending various procedural and outcome-based health care quality endpoints for use in the public disclosure of cardiovascular care performance by facilities and individual practitioners.

Education

Harvard Medical School

Doctor of Medicine - MD, Medicine · (2007 - 2012)

Harvard Business School

MBA, Operations Management · (2010 - 2012)

The Johns Hopkins University

Bachelor's in Biophysics, Biophysics · (2003 - 2007)