

Meet Our Panelists



Sarah Johnson

Sarah Johnson serves as the Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Affairs at the IU Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health. She is also a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Health Policy and Management where she serves as the Director for the Bachelor of Science in Health Services Management program. She earned both her MS and BA degrees from Indiana University and utilizes her educational background to focus on pedagogical and retention initiatives. Sarah is a Senior Mosaic Fellow and a member of the IU Faculty Academy on Excellence in Teaching (FACET).



Dr. Dorothy Gomez

Dr. Gomez has an extensive history of instruction in undergraduate nursing at Marian University Indianapolis. This includes teaching fundamentals of nursing, health assessment, pharmacology, adult health, research, and special topics. She developed and initiated a study abroad course for Marian University undergraduates. The course links the humanities including art, storytelling, prayer, and music to the study of nursing. Dr. Gomez has held quite a number of academic appointments, which include: clinical instructor, assistant professor, associate professor, Associate Dean of Graduate Programs in the Leighton School of Nursing (LSON) and Dean of the LSON. Recently, she stepped down from the Dean position to serve in her current role of Senior Advisor to the SVP of Health Professions at Marian University. She holds a BSN and MSN from the University of Miami, Coral Gables and a PhD in Nursing from Loyola University Chicago. Her affiliations include the the Hektoen institute of Medicine Nurses and the Humanities, the National League of Nursing and a member of the Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau Omega chapter. She also serves as an accreditation evaluator for the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, (CCNE).



Dr. Susan Krum

Dr. Krum was Vice President of Ambulatory Operations at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital. Her strong business acumen combined with expertise in strategic planning, business development, and team building was demonstrated through her ability to secure positive results for all areas of healthcare management including a fast turnaround during a multimillion-dollar merger and acquisition. She is effective in driving process improvements to boost revenue and profit while expanding services and enhancing productivity, employee satisfaction, and community relations. Dr. Krum was also AVP of Population Health and Executive Director of the physician group at Kennedy/Jefferson Health where she was responsible for the analysis, planning, development, and implementation of new physician practices as well as maintaining all daily operations for all existing practices. Dr. Krum excels in healthcare management and operations, healthcare budgeting and finance, and population health strategy.

Her career path changed to the academic world in 2019 when she became an assistant professor for the Rutgers's Masters in Health Administration program. She was promoted to an Associate level of teaching in 2022 and has now become the Executive Director of Health Administration program with oversight of both of the graduate and undergraduate programs. Dr. Krum has been instrumental as co-chair for the CAHME accreditation team by successfully securing accreditation in 2021 and 2024 for the MHA program. She continues to be the Chair of the Curriculum Improvement Committee overseeing the curriculum development of both graduate and undergraduate programs and continues to be the MHA program coordinator with oversight of all program logistics.



Steve Hornberger

Steve Hornberger is the Director of the Social Policy Institute <https://sdsusocialpolicyinstitute.org/> and Co-Director of the Center for Excellence in Aging & Longevity <https://ceal.sdsu.edu/>. He has more than 25 years of senior-level experience in human services administration, community building and program development. Steve is nationally recognized for cross system collaboration and community centered approaches to improving community wellbeing.

He was elected into the NASW Pioneers in 2008 for leadership, innovation and success in his career. Steve believes that everyone should be educated, healthy and well with a sense of belonging, purpose and opportunity to achieve their aspirations