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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Morehouse School of Medicine – Department of Community Health & Preventive Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia

Adjunct Faculty, Master of Health Administration (MHA) Program	2023 – Present
Adjunct Faculty, Doctor of Health Administration (DHA) Program	2023 – Present
Culminating Project Committee Member, DHA Program	2023 – Present
Defense Lead, DHA Program	2023 – Present

Serves as faculty for both the MHA and DHA programs at one of the nation's leading HBCUs. In the doctoral program, functions as Culminating Project Committee Member and Defense Chair, guiding doctoral candidates through applied research and final capstone defense. Brings extensive real-world expertise in Medicaid strategy, behavioral health integration, health IT, and healthcare operations to graduate and doctoral instruction.

Cummings Graduate Institute for Behavioral Health Studies (CGI), Tempe, Arizona

Associate Professor, Doctor of Behavioral Health (DBH) Program	October 2021 – Present
Curriculum Developer, DBH and Master of Health Leadership (MHL) Programs	October 2021 – Present
Culminating Project Committee Member	2021 – Present
Student Mentor & Admission Committee Member	2021 – Present

CGI is a DEAC-accredited, nonprofit graduate institution offering doctoral and master's-level post-graduate education in integrated behavioral healthcare. Responsibilities include course design and delivery, doctoral student mentorship, admissions review, and service as committee member and defense chair for culminating doctoral projects. Recipient of the 2026 DEAC Outstanding Faculty Award.

COURSES TAUGHT

Morehouse School of Medicine – Master of Health Administration (MHA)

MAJI500E: *Introduction to Correctional Care*

Examine the structure, policy environment, and clinical challenges of healthcare delivery within correctional settings. Topics include constitutional rights of incarcerated individuals, chronic disease management, behavioral health services, and reentry care coordination.

MAJI501E: *Service Development Assessment*

Focuses on the design, implementation, and evaluation of health services. Students apply needs assessment methodologies, program logic models, and performance measurement frameworks to develop evidence-based service solutions.

MAJI502E: *Foundations of Health and Social Justice*

Explores the relationship between social determinants of health, structural inequity, and health outcomes. Examine policy, advocacy, and systems-level strategies for advancing health equity across diverse populations.

MAJIC503E: *Informed Decision-Making Using Data-Driven Methods*

Introduces graduate students to quantitative and qualitative data analysis for healthcare decision-making. Topics include performance metrics, dashboards, epidemiological data, and the application of analytics to program and policy evaluation.

Morehouse School of Medicine – Doctor of Health Administration (DHA)

DHA742E: *Informed Decision-Making Using Data-Driven Methods*

Doctoral-level examination of advanced data analytics frameworks applied to healthcare administration. Emphasizes evidence synthesis, decision modeling, and organizational performance measurement in complex health systems.

DHA791E: *Pre-Capstone Seminar I*

Supports doctoral candidates in identifying applied healthcare problem, developing a conceptual framework, and designing a solution-focused project. Emphasis on scholarly writing and faculty mentorship.

DHA792E: *Solution-Focused Pre-Capstone Seminar II*

Continuation of the doctoral capstone preparation sequence. Students refine methodology, develop data collection instruments, and complete documentation in preparation for project implementation.

DHA798E: *Solution-Focused Capstone in Health Administration*

Students implement their applied doctoral project under faculty committee supervision. Emphasizes organizational change management, stakeholder engagement, and real-world problem-solving in health administration.

DHA799E: *Solution-Focused Capstone in Health Administration II*

Final Capstone course. Students complete project implementation, analyze outcomes, and present findings to a faculty defense committee. Prepares students for professional leadership and scholarly contributions to the field.

Cummings Graduate Institute – Doctor of Behavioral Health (DBH)

DBH 9012: *Population Health Management, Cost Offset, and ROI*

Examine frameworks for managing health outcomes across defined populations. Topics include care stratification, cost-offset analysis, return on investment, value-based care models, and integrated health program evaluation.

DBH 9014: *Quality Improvement*

Apply quality improvement science to behavioral health and integrated care settings. Covers TQM, Lean, Six Sigma, PDSA cycles, HEDIS measures, patient safety frameworks, and accreditation standards.

DBH 9016: *Ethics in Healthcare*

Examines ethical principles, frameworks, and dilemmas in behavioral health and integrated care practice. Topics include patient autonomy, confidentiality, dual relationships, equity, and ethical responsibilities of doctoral-level leaders.

DBH 9018: *Leadership in Healthcare*

Develops advanced leadership competencies for integrated healthcare environments. Topics include transformational leadership, organizational culture, workforce development, change management, and executive decision-making.

DBH 9019: *Applications, Interventions and Design Models in Behavioral Health*

Reviews evidence-based interventions and systems-level design models for integrated behavioral health programs. Covers PCBH, CoCM, the Four Quadrant Model, and digital health applications in behavioral health delivery.

DBH 9030: *Health Policy and Advocacy*

Analyzes federal and state health policy with emphasis on behavioral health, Medicaid, and integrated care. Students develop policy briefs and advocacy strategies addressing systemic barriers to access and equity.

DBH 9037: *Data Analysis for Decision-Making*

Introduces statistical reasoning and applied data analysis for behavioral health administrators. Topics include descriptive and inferential statistics, program evaluation design, and interpretation of healthcare data.

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

Cummings Graduate Institute for Behavioral Health Studies

- Designed and developed seven doctoral-level courses for the DBH program, including course descriptions, learning objectives, weekly schedules, reading lists, assignments, rubrics, and Canvas course shells.
- Developed master's-level curriculum for the Master of Health Leadership (MHL) program, aligning outcomes to DEAC accreditation standards and behavioral health workforce competencies.
- Collaborated with CGI academic leadership to align curriculum with the Biodyne Model of integrated care and evolving regulatory and clinical standards in behavioral health.
- Integrated real-world Medicaid, health IT, and policy case studies into course materials to bridge theory and applied professional practice.

Morehouse School of Medicine

- Contributed to development of applied course materials for MHA and DHA programs, incorporating current evidence in behavioral health integration, population health, and health administration leadership.

- Developed capstone evaluation criteria and rubrics for doctoral defense review as Defense Chair.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Behavioral Health (DBH) 2018
Arizona State University, Tempe, Arizona

Master of Business Administration (MBA) 2013
University of Phoenix, Phoenix, Arizona

Bachelor of Arts, Psychology 2006
University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky

Executive & Continuing Education

2020 Sustainable Business Strategy, Harvard Business School, Boston, Massachusetts

2021 Global Medical Device Regulatory Affairs (US & European) – BioPharma Institute

2020 Global Risk & Quality Management System Certification

2015–2019 Total Quality Management (TQM) Training – Applied through operational leadership at Topaz Information Solutions

AWARDS & HONORS

2026 DEAC Outstanding Faculty Award – Distance Education Accrediting Commission. Nominated by Cummings Graduate Institute for Behavioral Health Studies. Honored at the DEAC Annual Conference and Awards Luncheon, Washington, DC, April 21, 2026.

2021 - Present Forbes Business Council Member – Mental Health Group Chair.

2024 - Present Organizer & Executive TEDxSouthCongress

2024 – Present HIMSS Central Texas Advisory Board Member.

PUBLICATIONS

Books & Textbook Chapters

2026 Komolafe, R., et al. (2026). Chapter 7: Healthcare Technology. In English, C., Baldwin, U.G., Jr., & Fink-Samnick, E. (Eds.), *Integrated Behavioral Health: Applying the Biodyne Model in Healthcare* (1st ed.). Routledge. ISBN: 9781032864785.

2024 Talley, S., Komolafe, R., & Perley, R. (2024). Chapter 6. In Talley, S. (Ed.), *Managing the Long-Term Care Facility: Practical Approaches to Providing Quality Care* (2nd ed.). Jossey-Bass/Wiley.

Peer-Reviewed & Professional Journal Articles

2024 Komolafe, R. (2024). Leading the Future of Healthcare: The Power of Integrated Health Strategies for Better Outcomes. *Integrated Health Magazine,* 2, 10–12.

2024 Komolafe, R., & Boles, J. (2024). Healing from Pandemic Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). *Integrated Health Magazine,* 2, 16–18.

2024 Komolafe, R. (2024). How to Achieve Health Equity: An Integrated Health Approach. *Integrated Health Magazine,* 2, 34–35.

2023 Komolafe, R. (2023). Not a Freudian Slip: The Impact of Mental Health Trauma on Healthcare Outcomes. *Wharton Healthcare Quarterly,* 12(2).

2023 Komolafe, R. (2023). How to Become a Mentally Strong and Resilient Leader. *Newsweek.*

2023 Komolafe, R. (2023). Employee Burnout: Recovery and Prevention. *Forbes Business Council.*

2023 Komolafe, R. (2023). How Leaders Can Integrate Mental and Physical Health into Wellness Strategy. *Brainz Magazine.*

2023 Komolafe, R. (2023). How Social Media Addiction Impacts Mental Health. *Brainz Magazine.*

2023 Komolafe, R. (2023). Integrating AI in Mental and Physical Health Wellness: The Future of Wellness for Young Adults. *Brainz Magazine.*

2022 Komolafe, R. (2022). The Present and Future of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Healthcare. *Integrated Health Magazine,* 1, 30–32.

2022 Komolafe, R. (2022). Here's Why We Should Embrace (and Accelerate) Digital Health Innovation. *Sidekick Health.*

2020 Contributing Author. Building a Modern Health Care System: Recommendations from the COVID-19 Federal Policy Work Group.

Editorial Leadership

2022 – Present Editor-In-Chief, Integrated Health Magazine. Oversee editorial direction, peer review process, author development, and digital content strategy for a national integrated health publication.

2020 – Present LinkedIn Newsletter Author/Publisher. Regular thought leadership publication on behavioral health integration, Medicaid strategy, digital health, and executive leadership for a healthcare executive audience.

PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Conference Chair & Leadership

April 2026 *Conference Chair*. Reimagining a Holistic Continuum of Mental Healthcare Mental Health Summit. Cambridge Innovation Institute, Boston, Massachusetts.

June 2025 *Day 2 Conference Chair*. Future of Mental Healthcare Summit (5th Annual). Cambridge Innovation Institute, Aloft Boston Seaport District, Boston, Massachusetts.

Invited Presentations, Keynotes & Panels

August 2025 *AI in Health Care*. Ethics CE Credit session. Operational and ethical considerations of AI in health care — implementing AI solutions with integrity, transparency, accountability, explainability, and regulatory compliance. Invited Speaker.

April 2025 *Sharing Women in Healthcare Research*. Breaking Barriers: Women in Healthcare Leadership. HIMSS Central Texas Regional Conference.

March 2025 *Business and Healthcare Operations Mentorship*. South by Southwest (SXSW) 2025. Business and Healthcare Operations Mentor, Austin, Texas.

2025 *Revolutionizing Care Delivery (with Bailleu, J.)*. HIMSS Central Texas Regional Conference.

September 2024 *AI in Healthcare: Transforming Case Management*. American Case Management Association (ACMA), Houston Chapter.

2023 *Opportunity in Crisis: Advancing Healthcare Integration Through Digital Health and AI*. CGI Annual Conference.

2023 *Prevention and Recovery from Burnout and Compassion Fatigue*. Mental Health Marketing Conference.

2023 *Integrating Behavioral Health with Employers and Patients*. Aspirational Health Forum.

2023 *More Ways to Gain Referrals and Increase Funding*. ECHO, Center for Substance Use Training and Telemonitoring.

March 2022 *Achieving ROI in an Integrated Population Health Program*. Cummings Graduate Institute Continuing Education.

January 2022 *Artificial Intelligence in Integrated Health*. CGI Continuing Education.

December 2021 *Financial Sustainability in Integrated Health Programs*. Cummings Graduate Institute Continuing Education.

September 2021 *Digital Health Transformation (with Gunderson, S.)*. Arizona Health Care Quality Association Quarterly Conference.

June 2021 *Arizona Meditech Conference – Digital Health Transformation (with Hurley, D. & Oddo, J.)*. Arizona Meditech Conference.

March 2021 *Mental Health and Post-Partum Depression*. 2020 Moms – Maternal Mental Health Forum. Panel discussion.

November 2020 *Process Improvement in the Integrated Care Setting: A Lean Six Sigma Approach (with Emmons, L.)*. OPEN MINDS National Conference.

October 2020 *Adding Social Determinants of Health to Care Coordination Programs*. OPEN MINDS National Web Conference. Panel.

September 2020 *Value-Based Payment: Meet Metrics & Decrease Utilization with Population Health Management*. OPEN MINDS National Conference. Panel.

August 2020 *Population Health, Mental Health, Whole Health (with Rabinowitz, B.)*. OPEN MINDS Integrated Care National Summit.

July 2020 *Patient Engagement in the Transition to Integrated Virtual Care*. NextGen Integrated Care Webinar Conference.

June 2020 *Emerging Social Determinants of Health*. NextGen Integrated Care National Webinar Summit.

April 2020 *FCC COVID-19 Telehealth Program Strategies*. NextGen Healthcare Conference.

August 2018 *Healthcare Industry Market Trends, Projections, and Evolving Regulatory Policies*. Medicaid National Analysis Meeting.

April 2018 *Cybersecurity and HIPAA Security Risk Assessment and Regulatory Compliance (with Seegmiller, B.)*. Topaz Annual Conference.

August 2017 *Leadership and Team Building Strategies*. Topaz Annual National Leadership Conference, Phoenix, Arizona.

May 2017 *Business Process Improvement Strategies*. Topaz Annual National Conference, Phoenix, Arizona.

February 2017 *Models and Challenges of Integrated Health*. Jewish Family and Children's Services Clinics, Phoenix, Arizona.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Rivers Integrated / Integrated Physical & Behavioral Health Alliance
Chief Executive Officer ***November 2020 – Present***

Leads organizational strategy, digital health innovation, program development, and continuous quality improvement for an integrated physical and behavioral healthcare organization. Oversee $35M+ in financial responsibilities across business units.

- Achieved 65% process improvements across operations using Lean Six Sigma methodologies.
- Expanded service portfolio into FQHCs and five physical specialty markets within 24 months.
- Secured six new strategic vendor partnerships within three months of product expansion.
- Generated 21% increase in revenue through strategic business development and market expansion.

Advancing Integrated Health
Principal, Healthcare Executive Consulting ***2020 – Present***

Executive consulting practice providing strategic advisory services to health plans, FQHCs, nonprofits, and provider organizations on Medicaid strategy, behavioral health integration, digital health, and regulatory compliance.

World Health Organization (WHO)
Volunteer Consultant – Integrated Health Framework ***April 2022 – July 2023***

Contributed to co-development of the WHO Framework for integrated health for individuals with mental health conditions and chronic non-communicable diseases. Collaborated with international subject matter experts across Europe, Africa, North America, and the Caribbean.

Kaiser Permanente – CalAIM Initiative, Northern & Southern California
Consulting Executive Director, Medicaid Behavioral Health ***2022 – 2023***

Directed statewide behavioral health integration under California's CalAIM Medicaid redesign across North and South California medical groups.

- Expanded behavioral health service coverage from 22 to 33 counties statewide.
- Designed and launched whole-person care programs integrating physical, mental, and social health services.
- Built governance, risk, and compliance infrastructure improving executive-level oversight.

Integrated Health Magazine
CEO & Editor-In-Chief ***March 2022 – Present***
Leads editorial vision, strategy, and operations for a national publication serving integrated health professionals, administrators, and policymakers.

- Increased magazine circulation by 25% within two years.
- Grew online subscriber engagement by 40% through digital content strategy.
- Founded the annual Integrated Health Symposium as a national thought leadership convening.

iTether Technologies
Chief Strategy Officer ***2020 – 2021***
Oversaw enterprise strategy, market expansion, and operational leadership for a behavioral health digital health company.

- Expanded strategic partnerships by 20% and strengthened stakeholder engagement by 25%.

NextGen Healthcare
Director of Solutions, Physical and Mental Health ***October 2019 – November 2020***
Led go-to-market strategy and business development for physical and mental health EHR products serving FQHCs, public health, and behavioral health organizations.

- Grew product line revenue from $4M to $10M within 12 months.
- Expanded pipeline from $8M to $35M in the first year.
- Increased public health regulatory partnerships by 55%.

Topaz Information Solutions, Phoenix, Arizona
Vice President of Regulatory Affairs and Operations ***November 2015 – October 2019***
Provided executive leadership for regulatory affairs, compliance, human resources, contracts, and operations. Applied TQM and Lean/Six Sigma methodologies across all business units.

- Implemented 36 process improvement initiatives reducing waste, cycle times, and improving quality outcomes.
- Increased revenue by 37% through monitoring of healthcare market trends and regulatory policy.
- Reduced bad debt by 95.4% within six months; increased cash reserve by 120 days.
- Increased productivity by 29% and improved employee retention by 25%.

Health Net Access (Arizona Medicaid / AHCCCS), Tempe, Arizona
Mental Health Administrator / Director ***October 2013 – May 2015***
Directed mental and physical health integration for Medicaid members and ensured regulatory compliance across all contract standards.

- Executed Arizona Medicaid mental health contract with 100% compliance across all standards reviews.
- Reduced emergency room visits by 64% through implementation of an integrated care plan.
- Grew membership from 961 to 81,000 within 11 months.

Arizona Medicaid (AHCCCS), Tempe, Arizona
Program Manager, Mental & Physical Health ***July 2012 – September 2013***
Oversaw the quality-of-care section of the Arizona State Medicaid contract. Participated in RFP evaluation for the Medicaid contract award.

- Reduced quality-of-care investigation cycle from six months to 30 days.
- Developed Arizona's first integrated physical and mental health care monitoring framework.
- Improved newborn immunization performance metrics by 20% within five months.

RESEARCH

Jewish Family and Children's Services, Phoenix, Arizona
Doctoral Internship Research – Arizona State University DBH Program ***2017 – 2018***

Conducted an applied research project evaluating integrated health workflow, EHR systems, clinical service gaps, patient engagement strategies, and case identification processes to identify systemic barriers affecting behavioral and physical health integration in an ambulatory care setting.

- Applied behavioral health integration frameworks (PCBH, Four Quadrant Model) to gap analysis.
- Evaluated EHR usability and clinical decision support tools in a multi-provider integrated care environment.
- Produced written recommendations adopted by clinical leadership for program improvement.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Board & Advisory Service

- Board Member, HIMSS Central Texas (Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society)
- Vice President, HIMSS South Texas
- Board Member, Association of Doctors of Behavioral Health (ADBH) (2021 – Present)
- Advisory Board Council, Cummings Graduate Institute for Behavioral Health Studies (2021 – Present)
- Advisory Council Member, 42 CFR Part 2 Research Council (2017 – 2020)
- Advisory Council, Open Minds Integrated Care Online (2019 – 2020)

Professional Association Membership

- Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS) – Member (2016 – Present)
- American Board of Artificial Intelligence in Medicine – Member (2021 – Present)
- Association of University Programs in Health Administration (AUPHA) – Member (2023 – Present)
- Forbes Business Council – Mental Health Group Chair (2021 – Present)
- National Society of Leadership and Success – Member (2020 – Present)

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP & PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Conference Leadership

- Conference Chair – Reimagining a Holistic Continuum of Mental Healthcare Mental Health Summit, Boston, MA (April 2026)
- Day 2 Conference Chair – Future of Mental Healthcare Summit (5th Annual), Boston, MA (June 2025)
- Host & Founder – Integrated Health Symposium (Annual National Convening, 2022 – Present)
- TEDxSouthCongress – Invited Speaker (2022)

Media & Digital Platforms

- LinkedIn Newsletter – Regular publication on behavioral health, Medicaid strategy, and healthcare leadership for executive audiences (2020 – Present)
- Forbes Business Council – Contributing author and Mental Health Group Chair (2021 – Present)
- Newsweek – Invited contributor on healthcare leadership and resilience (2023)
- Wharton Healthcare Quarterly – Clinical-policy commentary on mental health and healthcare outcomes (2023)
- Brainz Magazine – Contributing health and leadership expert (2022 – 2023)

TEACHING AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Subject areas supported by direct professional and scholarly expertise at graduate and doctoral levels:

- Healthcare Quality Improvement & Patient Safety (Lean, Six Sigma, TQM, HEDIS, control charts)
- Integrated Delivery Systems, Managed Care & Health Plan Operations
- Patient Care Management, Care Coordination & Utilization Management
- Medicaid Strategy, Regulatory Affairs & Government Health Programs

- Behavioral Health Integration & Population Health Management
- Healthcare Information Technology, EHR Systems & Digital Health
- Healthcare Analytics, Performance Measurement & Data-Driven Decision-Making
- Health Policy, Advocacy & Ethics
- Healthcare Leadership, Organizational Change & Workforce Development
- Strategic Planning, Financial Management & Business Operations in Healthcare
- Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare – Ethics, Implementation & Governance

CERTIFICATIONS & PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

2021	Global Medical Device Regulatory Affairs (US & European) – BioPharma Institute.
2020	Global Risk & Quality Management System Certification.
2020	Sustainable Business Strategy – Harvard Business School Executive Education.
2015–2019	Total Quality Management (TQM) Training – Applied through operational leadership at Topaz Information Solutions.

References furnished upon request.