

Presenter Bios

**Catherine Bryan, MPH, a-IPC**

Catie is currently the HAI/AR Program Manager at the North Carolina Division of Public Health. She received a Bachelor of Science in Health Science at Marshall University, then a Master of Public Health at the University of Louisville. After graduation, Catie worked at a West Virginia county health department as a COVID-19 Epidemiologist. Before her current role, Catie was an HAI Epidemiologist with the HAI/AR program in NCDPH for 2.5 years. She was also a CDC/CSTE Fellow at the Texas Department of State Health Services, Health Care Safety Investigations Unit where she obtained her Associate-Infection Prevention and Control Certification in 2023.

**Jacinta Chin, PharmD, BCIDP**

Dr. Chin is a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Infectious Diseases at Novant Health. In addition to supporting inpatient antimicrobial stewardship at Matthews Medical Center and Huntersville Medical Center, she co-leads the Ambulatory Antimicrobial Stewardship Workgroup and is a clinical subject matter expert for vaccines. She is involved in PGY1 and PGY2 residency programs, including mentoring resident research.

Dr. Chin completed her undergraduate studies in biochemistry at New York University before going on to receive a Doctor of Pharmacy from Temple University. She completed a PGY1 Pharmacy Practice residency at the University of Illinois at Chicago and a PGY2 Infectious Diseases residency at Advocate Christ Medical Center in Oaklawn, IL. In her free time, she is an avid baker.

**Marty Cooney, DrPH, MPH, ME, BSN, RN, CIC**

Dr. Cooney is the SPICE Associate Director. His previous position was the Director of Infection Control at UNC Rex Healthcare for 14 years. Prior to his work at UNC Rex, Dr. Cooney was the Director of Infection Control and Employee Health at HMA/Novant Healthcare. His clinical nursing experience prior to infection control included roles as an interventional radiology nurse, ER and OR nurse, medical-surgical nurse, and bed control.

Dr. Cooney received his Doctor of Public Health from UNC Chapel Hill in 2023. He completed his Master of Public Health at the University of New England in 2018, and Master of Entrepreneurship in 2011. Dr. Cooney also received a Bachelor of Science Nursing in 2007 and is also a CIC. He has delivered several presentations at professional conferences and published in infection prevention journals.

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**Lisa Davidson, MD**

Dr Davidson is a Professor of Medicine at Wake Forest University School of Medicine and the Medical Director of the Antimicrobial Stewardship Network for Advocate Health in the Greater Charlotte area. She has also served as the Chief Quality Officer for Adult Medical Specialties of Atrium Health. Currently, she co-chairs the Advocate Health Enterprise Antimicrobial Stewardship P and T committee, helping to coordinate antimicrobial stewardship policy across 60 hospitals. Dr Davidson has been involved in several professional societies focusing on antimicrobial stewardship and was most recently the Chair of the IDSA Antimicrobial Stewardship Centers of Excellence Committee. Her most recent research has focused on expanding antimicrobial stewardship in the outpatient setting, and she is currently the Co-Pi of the Atrium Health Children's Optimal Outpatient Stewardship (AHCHOOS) project, a PCORI HSII initiative.

**Megan Davies, MD**

Dr. Davies received her MD from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and completed a residency in Family Practice at East Carolina University. Her epidemiology training was in CDC's Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS). Megan serves as the Medical Director of the Surveillance for Healthcare Associated and Resistant Pathogens Patient Safety (SHARPPS) Program in the Communicable Disease Branch of the North Carolina Division of Public Health. In this role she oversees the State's programs for healthcare-associated infections surveillance and response, outbreaks in healthcare settings, and antimicrobial resistance and stewardship.

**Elizabeth (Libby) Dodds Ashley, PharmD, MHS, FCCP, FIDP, BCIDP**

Dr. Dodds Ashley, PharmD, MHS, is a Professor of Medicine and Operations Director for the Duke Antimicrobial Stewardship Outreach Network (DASON) based at Duke University. She has been an active antimicrobial stewardship pharmacist for more than 25 years. Her work and research in stewardship span a variety of patient care settings, including large academic medical centers, community hospitals, and long-term care facilities. She has served as a member of the Antimicrobial Resistance Working Group at the Centers for Disease Control and an expert panel member of the Transatlantic Taskforce for Antimicrobial Resistance, among other appointments. She is a current liaison member and first pharmacist on the Presidential Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria (PACCARB) representing SIDP. She is actively involved in several professional societies engaged in stewardship, including SHEA and SIDP, for which she recently served as President.

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**Kelly Flett, MD MMSc**

Dr. Flett is currently a pediatrician at Eastover Pediatrics in Charlotte NC and the medical director of the Ambulatory Antimicrobial Stewardship Program for Novant Health. She completed her medical degree at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Jersey, residency in Pediatrics at the University of Colorado and a fellowship in Pediatric Infectious Diseases at Boston Children's Hospital. She led the Antimicrobial Stewardship Program at Boston Children's before transitioning to outpatient pediatrics and her current position with Novant Health.

**Melissa Johnson**

Dr. Johnson, PharmD, MHS, AAHIVP, is a Professor in Medicine in the Division of Infectious Diseases & International Health at Duke University School of Medicine in Durham, North Carolina, and a Liaison Clinical Pharmacist for Duke Antimicrobial Stewardship Outreach Network (DASON). As part of DASON, she is actively involved in leading antimicrobial stewardship efforts at several community hospitals in North Carolina. Dr. Johnson has also served as an investigator in numerous clinical trials evaluating antifungal, antiretroviral, and antibacterial agents. Her clinical research interests include invasive fungal infections in immunocompromised hosts with special focus on immunogenetics, pharmacokinetics and pharmacodynamics. She has also led publications on antifungal stewardship and antifungal therapeutic drug monitoring in collaboration with MSGERC. She served as President of the Society of Infectious Diseases Pharmacists in 2022-2023, and as a board member from 2021-2024.

**Vera Luther, MD**

Dr. Luther is a Professor of Medicine at Wake Forest University School of Medicine and has been passionate about training the next generation of healthcare professionals in antimicrobial stewardship since joining the faculty in 2007. She serves as the medical director for the Wake Forest Center for Antimicrobial Utilization, Stewardship, and Epidemiology (which is known by its acronym, CAUSE) and directs the infectious diseases fellowship program at Wake Forest. She enjoys collaborating with other stewardship educators to develop, evaluate, and publish formal curricula for training health professions learners in antimicrobial stewardship, such as the CDC and AAMC "Get Smart About Antibiotics" curriculum as well as the "Core" and "Advanced" IDSA Antimicrobial Stewardship curricula. She recently completed her master's degree in healthcare informatics with a goal of leveraging emerging technologies to advance medicine, medical education, and the practice of antimicrobial stewardship.

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**Travis Jones, PharmD**

Dr. Jones is a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Infectious Diseases at the University of North Carolina Medical Center in Chapel Hill. Within the Carolina Antimicrobial Stewardship Program, Travis reviews antimicrobial use in adult patients hospitalized in medical and surgical units and provides clinical support through rounding with the general and immunocompromised host infectious diseases teams. Travis is also involved in initiatives to optimize antimicrobial use in the outpatient setting. Beyond clinical services, Travis provides lectures in infectious diseases pharmacotherapy to students at Duke University's Physician Assistant Program, UNC's Pharmacy School, and UNC School of Medicine.

Prior to joining UNC, Travis practiced as an Infectious Diseases Liaison Clinical Pharmacist with the Duke Antimicrobial Stewardship Outreach Network (DASON) in Durham, NC. Travis attended North Carolina State University for his undergraduate studies and Campbell University for his Doctorate in Pharmacy. He completed a PGY1 Pharmacy Practice Residency at ECU Health, a PGY2 Specialty Residency in Infectious Diseases, Internal Medicine, and Academics at Duke University Medical Center, and a Fellowship in Infectious Diseases and Antimicrobial Stewardship at Duke University School of Medicine.

**Sarah Steedman, PharmD, BCPS, CPP**

Dr. Steedman is a board-certified clinical pharmacist based in Asheville, NC. Originally from Columbia, SC, Sarah graduated from Clemson University with a BS in Biological Sciences before attending the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy and later staying at UNC Medical Center in Chapel Hill, NC for two years of pharmacy residency. Sarah currently works for the non-profit Mountain Area Health Education Center (MAHEC) within its Family Medicine department. Her clinical time is split between MAHEC's Family Medicine clinics, where she manages patient consultations for diabetes, hypertension, heart failure, anticoagulation, opioid use disorder, and more, and MAHEC's inpatient Family Practice Service at Mission Hospital, where she is integrated as part of its interdisciplinary rounding team. As an inpatient rounding pharmacist, Sarah works closely with her physician colleagues to promote Antimicrobial Stewardship at the most direct level of patient care.