

# PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND FAULTY

## PROGRAM DIRECTOR

### **Vani Ray, MD**

We are honored to have Vani Ray, Md DFAPA, FACLP, FASM as our Program Director for Addiction Medicine. Dr. Ray brings an array of experiences to our fellowship along with longevity in the field.

She completed her residency in General Psychiatry at the University of Wisconsin along with her Addiction Medicine Fellowship and Consultation and Liaison Psychiatry fellowship.

She was involved in a plethora of committees to include as Chairman of Physician Wellness Committee, Metro Milwaukee, Advocate Aurora Health Care, Chief, Department of Psychiatry, Aurora St Luke's Medical Center – Milwaukee, WI , Medical Director, Cancer Counseling and Health Psychology Clinic, Aurora St Luke's Medical Center – Milwaukee, WI, Medical Director, Consultation and Liaison Psychiatry Services.

She currently oversees the Behavioral health and Addiction medicine Education for the Aurora Internal medicine , Family Medicine, Residency programs and also Geriatric, Palliative Care, Addiction Psychiatry and Consultation Liaison Psychiatry fellowship rotations ,

Oversight of research assistants in Behavioral Health research projects including Cardiac, Transplant, Oncology and comorbid substance abuse. Leadership of multi- disciplinary psychiatric consultation and liaison teams, including internal medicine, family practice, obstetrics and gynecology residents, psychologists and psychology interns and nursing staff.

Dr. Ray is excited and confident that our new Addiction Medicine Fellowship will have all the tools you will need to succeed in the area for Addiction Medicine if you choose to join us.

# FAULTY

## **Oludamilola Salami, MD**

### **Addiction Psychiatrist**

Dr. Salami is a highly respected by peers, fellows, residents and students alike. He is currently working as a psychiatrist and is also the Medical Director of Behavioral Health Services at our Aurora Sheboygan Campus. Dr. Salami takes honor in passing his wealth of experience to the next generation of Addiction Medicine advocates.

Dr. Salami has experience in the field starting as a fellow in Behavioral Neurology and Neuropsychiatry at John Hopkins University and School of Medicine and with a fellowship in Geriatric Psychiatry at the same institution. Dr. Salami was an Assistant Professor in the Department of Behavioral Medicine & Psychiatry along with a Director of Neuromodulation program in the Department of Behavioral Medicine & Psychiatry at The Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI. He was a Staff Psychiatrist and Medical director, Adult Inpatient Service at Rogers Behavioral Health as well.

His wealth of knowledge brings a great learning experience for our fellows.

## **Hishita Parikh, MD**

I am a physician board certified in Family Medicine and Addiction Medicine. I provide inpatient care to patients with substance use disorder admitted at Aurora Psychiatric Hospital. I also provide inpatient medical care at Aurora Medical Center in Grafton. While providing clinical care, I place a strong emphasis on patient empowerment through patient education and shared decision making. I have a strong belief that excellence in health care requires respect for all patients and ability to nurture relationships with patients and colleagues. Medical education is a passion of mine, teaching medical trainees of all levels. I prioritize teaching learners how to think through problems systematically.

### **Education and Training:**

- Fellowship, Addiction Medicine, St. Vincent Charity Medical Center (2018)
- Residency, Family Medicine, The Wright Center for Graduate Medical Education (2017)
- Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS), Smt. N.H.L. M.M.C. (2012)
- BSc, Biological Sciences, Brock University (2006)

**Employment:**

- Inpatient hospitalist, Aurora Medical Center at Grafton (2021-present)
- Inpatient Addiction Medicine hospitalist, Aurora Psychiatric Hospital (2020-present)
- Inpatient hospitalist, APMC, an affiliate of Cleveland Clinic (2018-2020)
- Inpatient Addiction Medicine hospitalist, Glenbeigh APMC Health care System (2018-2020)
- Outpatient Addiction Medicine Physician, Community Counseling Center (2018-2019)

**Awards and Honors:**

- Intern of the Year Award (2015)
- Brock Undergraduate Student Research Award (BUSRA) (2006)
- Dean's Honors Award (2004)
- Brock University Returning Scholars Award (2004)

**Subhadeep Barman, MD, FASAM, FAPA, FASCP**

Subhadeep Barman MD, FASAM, FAPA, FASCP, is a distinguished member of our Addiction Medicine community serving over 20 years of experience in the medical field. He is currently an Addiction Psychiatrist at Aurora Psychiatric Hospital in Milwaukee, WI and previously was the Medical Director of Addiction Medicine at ProHealth Waukesha Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Barman is currently the President of the Wisconsin Society of Addiction Medicine serving in the role since 2023. He has a plethora of conference presentations as well. He is also board certified in Addiction Medicine along with board certification in Psychiatry.

Dr. Barman is such an asset to our fellowship faculty with his vast knowledge, and love of teaching.

## **Ifeyinwa Igwe, MD**

Dr. Igwe offers hope, support and professional treatment in efforts to help others regain control of their life. She completed her Pain Medicine/Palliative Care fellowship at New York Medical College. She has been the Director, Physician of Non Interventional Pain Management for the Midwest since 2020.

Dr. Igwe serves on numerous committees and has multiple administrative responsibilities to bring a wealth of knowledge to our fellowship.

Dr. Igwe has certifications in the following: ABIM Internal Medicine, ABPM Addiction Medicine, DATA waiver to prescribe buprenorphine, Diplomate (Board Certified) Hospice and Palliative Medicine and certificated in Medical Acupuncture.

We are so honored to have Dr. Igwe as a faculty member of our fellowship.

## **Deborah Benevenuto, MD**

Dr. Benevenuto is a consultation-liaison psychiatrist at St. Luke's Medical Center, where she serves on the inpatient consult service. She has a special interest in transplant psychiatry and provides psychiatric care for patients in the Advanced Heart Failure Therapies and Abdominal Transplant clinics at St. Luke's Medical Center. In addition, she works at the Mental Health Emergency Center (MHEC) in downtown Milwaukee.

Dr. Benevenuto earned her medical degree from the University of the State of Rio de Janeiro in Brazil. She completed her psychiatry residency at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee and went on to pursue a fellowship in Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry at Yale University.