# Agenda 12th Annual Women's Health Conference 2024

#### Trends in Women's Reproductive Healthcare

Presented by Cayman Islands Health Services Authority



### Friday March 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 Grand Cayman Marriott Beach Resort

7:15am Registration & Breakfast

Sponsored by Health City Cayman Islands

8:15am Welcome

Dr. Karina Palmer-Forde, Registrar, Health Services Authority

**Prayer** 

Ms. Mitzie Morgan, Nurse Manager, Women's Health Department, Health Services Authority

**Opening remarks** 

Ms. Lizzette Yearwood

Chief Executive Officer, Health Services Authority

Hon. Sabrina Turner.

Minister of Health & Wellness

9:00am Updates in gynecologic radiation therapy and benefits of brachytherapy

Dr. Yonatan Weiss, Radiation Oncologist, Baptist Health Miami Cancer Institute

9:30am Noninvasive alternatives for management of abnormal uterine bleeding

Dr. Peter Sipos, Consultant Obstetrician & Gynaecologist (OBGYN),

**Health Services Authority** 

10:00am	Coffee break Sponsored by Ministry of Health & Wellness	
10:20am	Noninvasive or conservative alternatives for fibroid treatment Dr. Alessandro Lemos, Consultant Diagnostic & Interventional Radiologist, Health Services Authority	
10:50am	Special award presentation	
11:00am	Recent trends in dental management during pregnancy Dr. Thammy Powery, Dentist, Health Services Authority	
11:30am	Intrauterine fetal intervention Dr. Leroy Campbell, Consultant Obstetrician & Gynaecologist (OBGYN), Health Services Authority	
12:00pm	Lunch Sponsored by Baptist Health Miami Cancer Institute	
12:30pm	How women are using technology to personalize their care Dorinda Gardner and Marybeth Frank, Registered Nurse/Midwife, Health Services Authority	
1:00pm	Beyond birth control: non contraceptive uses of hormonal contraceptive methods Dr. Christina McLean, Registrar, Women's Health Department, Health Services Authority	
1:30pm	Robotic surgery in gynaecology: The final frontier?  Dr. Troy Gatcliffe, Gynaecologic Oncologist,  Health City Cayman Islands	
2:00pm	Coffee break Sponsored by The Wellness Centre	
2:20pm	Fertility sparing surgery in gynecology cancers Dr. Mike Smith, Obstetrician & Gynaecologist (OBGYN), Integra Healthcare Ltd.	
2:50pm	Breast cancer surgery: evolution and myths Dr. Jaganmurugan Ramamurthy, Surgical Oncologist, Health City Cayman Islands	
3:20pm	Raffles, Games, Closing Remarks and Vote of Thanks Dr. Karina Palmer-Forde, Women's Health Department Health Services Authority	



**Dr. Leroy Campbell**Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist (OBGYN),
Health Services Authority

Dr. Leroy Campbell is a specialist Obstetrician & Gynaecologist with a passion for teaching and patient care. His special area of interest is in Maternofetal Medicine, an area of Obstetrics that deals with very high risk pregnancies whether due to pre-existing maternal disease or fetal complications.

In over 15 years of service to the health system in Jamaica, Dr Leroy Campbell has made tremendous contributions to the field of women's health. He has also served as tutor and mentor to numerous undergraduate and postgraduate students, during almost a decade of service as an associate lecturer at the University of the West Indies as well as a consultant physician in the Public service. He has been involved in several landmark initiatives and surgeries including two of the first successful surgeries performed on an unborn baby in the history of Jamaica and the Caribbean.

He has authored several publications in regional peer reviewed journals such as the West Indian Medical Journal as well as international journals such as the Lancet and the British Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.



Marybeth Frank
Registered Nurse/Midwife, Health Services Authority

Marybeth Frank is a Registered Nurse and Midwife at the Health Services Authority where she enjoys working in the maternity ward. She was born and raised in England, however, has family roots in Barbuda and Guyana. Marybeth's maternal grandmother was Guyanese however she spent majority of her professional life as a nurse and midwife in Leicestershire in the late 1950s, retiring in 1986. She was Marybeth's main inspiration to pursue a career in midwifery.

Marybeth completed a BSc (Honours) in Midwifery from the University of Hertfordshire and has worked in all areas of the midwifery field. She particularly enjoyed working in the community setting caring for women during pregnancy and after birth as well as assisting at the occasional home birth. This provided women with continuity of care and improved overall outcomes. Marybeth's most challenging but rewarding experiences were working within the specialist clinic for vulnerable women prior to traveling to the Cayman Islands. This experience provided a deeper insight of life challenges that women and families can encounter that can impact pregnancy, child birth and postpartum periods. Marybeth feels privileged to be able to support women and families at such a special time.



#### **Dorinda Gardner**

Registered Nurse/Midwife, Health Services Authority

Dorinda Gardner is a Registered Nurse/Midwife with over 20 years experience and has been employed at the Health Services Authority since 2016.

She studied at the Cornwall School of Nursing and Kingston School of Nursing in Jamaica for her Nursing and Midwifery credentials, and successfully read for her Bachelors Degree in Health Studies at the University of the West of Scotland. This was the foundation for a career that has currently spanned 29 years, with 22 of those years spent specialising in Midwifery, where she consistently challenges her peers and all members of the patient care team to achieve excellence.

Nurse Gardner values dedication, service and excellence, with her mantra being "only your best is good enough" and "remember to treat others as you would want to be treated'.



#### Dr. Troy A. Gatcliffe

Gynaecologic Oncologist, Health City Cayman Islands

Dr. Troy A. Gatcliffe, is a trained Gynaecologic Oncologist. He is in private practice in Miami where he has lived and worked since 2010. He earned his medical degree from the Royal College of Surgeons in Dublin, Ireland and completed a residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Boston University Medical Center. He completed a fellowship in gynaecologic oncology at the University of California, Irvine Medical Center.

Board-certified in gynaecologic oncology, Dr. Gatcliffe is a Fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the American College of Surgeons. He offers minimally invasive surgical techniques including robotic surgery, for all complex benign gynaecologic and women's reproductive cancer diagnoses.

He has a strong personal and professional interest in caring for patients from the Caribbean and Latin America. He has lectured throughout the West Indies and worked with public and private sector physicians in several countries to raise the standard of healthcare for women with gynaecologic cancers. Dr. Gatcliffe was born and raised in Trinidad and Tobago.



**Dr. Alessandro Lemos**Consultant Diagnostic & Interventional Radiologist,
Health Services Authority

Dr. Alessandro Lemos is a Diagnostic and Interventional Radiologist at the Health Services Authority. He has been a consultant radiologist at Foundation Trust Ca' Granda, University of Milan (Italy) for 20 years, a long-term visiting fellow at the University of California in Los Angeles (USA) in 1996 and at Karolinska Institute in Stockholm (Sweden) in 2010. Dr. Lemos completed a master in Interventional Radiology at the City of Health University Hospital in Turin, Italy in 2019.

He completed his doctorate in Medicine and Radiology board certification at the University of Rome "La Sapienza". Dr. Lemos published more than 65 peer-reviewed scientific papers and has 350 citations on PudMed.

His clinical interests are Interventional Radiology, CT whole body for trauma, Oncology Medical Imaging, Ultrasound, Computed Tomography, Nuclear Medicine, and Digital Imaging.



**Dr. Christina McLean** Registrar, Health Services Authority

Born in Jamaica and raised in Grand Cayman, Dr Christina McLean graduated with her Bachelor of Science majoring in Human Biology with First Class Honors from the University of the West Indies (UWI), Mona, Jamaica. She then pursued a Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery at UWI and received her degree in 2020. Her Internship and Senior House Office years were subsequently completed between hospitals in Grand Cayman and Jamaica. Dr. McLean is currently a Medical Registrar in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Health Services Authority. She fervently aspires to become an Obstetrician and Gynecologist who hopes to some day have a positive impact on the field of Obstetrics and Gynecology here in Grand Cayman.



**Dr. Karina Palmer-Forde**Registrar, Health Services Authority

Dr. Karina Palmer-Forde is a Registrar in at the Women's Health Department running the Well Woman's Clinic. She obtained her medical degree from St. George's University in 2005. She has over 15 years of experience working in the Women's Health field, working for 5 years in St. Vincent and the Grenadines, before returning to the Cayman Islands to work at the HSA in 2012. She obtained training in performing forensic medical examinations for sexual assault cases in 2020. She is currently working on obtaining a Master's Degree in Women's Health.



**Dr. Thammy Powery**Dentist, Health Services Authority

Dr. Thammy Powery currently serves as a registered Doctor in Medical Dentistry in the Health Services Authority's Dental Clinic. She is currently pursuing a Post-Graduate Diploma in Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics from the London Dental Institute.

Dr. Powery began her career journey at the HSA very early, from her high school work experience and voluntary work at the dental lab to working at HSA's physiotherapy department as a registration and collections officer. In 2012 she completed her dental surgical assistant diploma.

In 2021, she graduated with a dental degree from the School of Oral Health Science from the University of Technology, Jamaica. She is CDCA dental board certified and registered with the Jamaica Dental Council and the Cayman Islands Medical and Dental Council.



**Dr. Jaganmurugan Ramamurthy**Surgical Oncologist, Health City Cayman Islands

Dr. Jaganmurugan Ramamurthy is a trained Surgical Oncologist who specialises in Oncoplastic Breast Surgery. He has over nine years of experience in Oncology Breast surgery and has independently performed over 1,200 major oncological surgical procedures, including complex surgical procedures such as cytoreductive surgery, oncoplastic breast surgeries, and laparoscopic surgeries for gastrointestinal, thoracic, urological, and pelvic malignancies. He has also worked on robotic oncological surgery subsites.

Dr. Jagan received his surgical oncological training at Tata Memorial institution in Mumbai, Asia's premier cancer care institution. He has also worked as an ad hoc assistant professor at Tata Memorial Hospital and as an assistant professor at Cancer Institute Adyar (WIA) in Chennai.



**Dr. Peter Sipos**Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist (OBGYN),
Health Services Authority

Dr. Peter Sipos is a consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist and head of the Women's Health Department at the Health Services Authority. He was a researcher and lecturer at the universities of Manchester and Sheffield in both Fetal Medicine and Gynaecological Oncology. He also served as a visiting researcher at the Universities of Cambridge and Alberta.

His area of interest is angiogenic fetal stem cells in the mother, fetus and ovarian cancer.

Dr. Sipos' work is well published and awarded internationally. He completed his specialty training in Manchester and Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and he earned his PhD in Manchester.

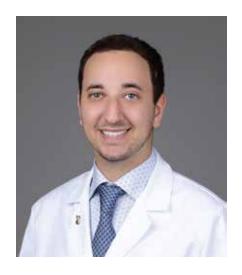


**Dr. Mike Smith**Obstetrician & Gynaecologist (OBGYN), Integra Healthcare Ltd

Dr Mike Smith is a highly trained and experienced Obstetrician & Gynaecologist who joined Integra Healthcare in the Cayman Islands in June 2023. Dr Smith is experienced in running busy Obstetrics Delivery Suites along with the antenatal and post-natal care of patients. He has completed the RCOG subspecialty training in Gynaecological Oncology and has advanced gynaecological surgical skills in both open and minimal-access surgery.

Dr Smith, during his tenure at the Christie Hospital and University Hospital of South Manchester and Withington Hospital from 2008-2014, served as Lead for Gynaecological Oncology and Lead for Colposcopy, respectively.

From 2013-2023, Dr Smith established the second largest Gynaecological robotic service in the United Kingdom as the Gynaecological robotic surgery lead at the Christie Hospital (2013-2023), where he helped to train consultant surgeons. He worked as a Proctor for Intuitive Surgical, teaching consultant surgeons how to perform robotic surgery across the UK and Europe. He was a pioneer in fertility-sparing surgery for patients in the North West of England, setting up the fertility-sparing service at the Christie Hospital.



**Dr. Yonatan Weiss**Radiation Oncologist, Baptist Health Miami Cancer Institute

Yonatan Weiss, M.D., is a board-certified radiation oncologist at Miami Cancer Institute. Dr. Weiss specialises in treating thoracic, central nervous system and gynecologic cancers with expertise including advanced technologies such as Gamma Knife radiosurgery and interstitial brachytherapy.

Prior to joining Miami Cancer Institute in 2022, he was a clinical instructor in the radiation oncology department at the University of California Los Angeles.

Dr. Weiss also served as chief resident at the Princess Margaret and Odette Cancer Centres, the premier cancer programmes in Canada. Before beginning medical training, he worked in cancer research investigating DNA repair in organisms that were resistant to radiation. His research has been presented at national and international scientific conferences.

Dr. Weiss' approach to patient care is to develop a strong partnership with patients, their families and the entire healthcare team. He believes in frequent, proactive communication for effective treatment plans.

When he is not treating patients, he likes swimming, playing pickleball, going to the beach, and playing the piano and trombone.

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### Lunch



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### Breakfast



#### Coffee Break





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