

2023 CHEAC Annual Meeting
Workshop Session Biographies
Modernizing Public Health Data Infrastructure for the Future

Mimi Hall, MPH

Mimi Hall, MPH is an executive leader in public health, healthcare administration, and government who has dedicated her professional career to improving population health. She has deep expertise in public health, extensive relationships with key county, state, and association partners, and an understanding of public programs, systems, and funding.

Mimi has served as a local public health director in California since 2005 in Sierra, Plumas, Yolo, and Santa Cruz counties. She's also held leadership roles in the California Health Executives Association of California, and served on the board of Santa Cruz, Health Information Exchange. She earned her Master's in Public Health from the University of Hawaii, Manoa, HI.

Laura Young

Laura Young is an information technology expert with over 25 years working within the IT industry with a focus on government, non-profit, education and healthcare. She currently serves as the Executive Director for San Diego Health Connect. Previously she served as the Executive Director for Alaska's statewide HIE, as well as a behavioral health HIE in Arizona where she became a Subject Matter Expert (SME) on HIE, Interoperability and 42 CFR Part 2. She has provided consultation support for other state and regional HIEs, especially around integration of behavioral health information. She has degrees in Information Technology and Health Services Management. Laura has been a leader in the healthcare IT sector for over 17 years with a specific focus on Clinical IT and HIE systems. Nationally, she is involved in a number of HIE interoperability efforts. She serves nationally as the Vice Chair of the HIMSS Interoperability & Health Information Exchange Community and has served on the board of the Arizona and Alaska HIMSS chapters.

Shadi Barfjani

Shadi Barfjani has more than two decades of experience serving diverse populations as a provider, researcher, community activist and a public health professional. Shadi started her career as a young physician and public health professional internationally working with refugees and the victims of regional wars. Later in North America she served as a provider and a public health professional working in community clinics and rural counties. Her work included addressing the opioid crisis in rural communities, homeless health and street medicine, youth suicide prevention, and intimate partner violence.

Shadi embraces cross sector collaboration, advocates for data driven decision making and advanced planning in governmental public health and believes in influencing the social determinants of health to improve people's health and well-being.

Shadi holds an MD and a Master of Science in Biomedicine from Eastern Virginia Medical School.

Wayne Enanoria

Wayne Enanoria is Chief Science Officer for Public Health and serves as the Director of the Science Branch in the County of Santa Clara Public Health Department. He previously worked for the San Francisco Department of Public Health and the California Department of Public Health in the areas of epidemiology, public health surveillance, outbreak analytics, public health preparedness & emergency response, and public health informatics. In addition, he is Assistant Adjunct Professor in the Department of Epidemiology & Biostatistics at the University of California at San Francisco and Lecturer in the Division of Epidemiology at the University of California at Berkeley School of Public Health.

He earned his Bachelor's degree in Molecular and Cell Biology, a Master's in Epidemiology/Biostatistics (M.P.H.), and a Ph.D. in Epidemiology from the University of California at Berkeley.