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Employment History



July 2018- present

Chief Quality Officer, Emory St. Joseph's Hospital

Assistant Professor of Medicine, Emory University, Division of Cardiology

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NorthsideCardiology

May 1997 - Dec 2017

Medical Director, Northside Heart & Vascular Institute (2011-2017)

Managing Partner, Northside Cardiology, a division of Northside Hospital, and

Executive Managing Physician, Northside Heart

5670 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd; STE 880

Atlanta, GA 30342

<http://www.northsideheart.com>

Managing Partner, Northside Cardiology (NCPC) (1997-2011)

5670 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd; STE 880

Atlanta, GA 30342

www.nscatl.com/closed



July 1993 - April 1997

Assistant Professor of Medicine, Emory University School of Medicine

The Emory Clinic and The Emory Heart Center

1365 Clifton Road

Atlanta, GA 30322



July 1990 - June 1991

Emergency Department Physician

The Pennsylvania Hospital

Philadelphia, PA

Education

July 1991 – June 1994
Emory University School of Medicine
Atlanta, GA
Fellowship – Cardiovascular Diseases

July 1987 – June 1990
Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, PA
Residency – Internal Medicine

June 1983 – May 1987
University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
Philadelphia, PA
MD- Doctor of Medicine

May 1983
Case Western Reserve University
Cleveland, OH
BA – Biochemistry

Board Certifications

2025 LKA-(Longitudinal Knowledge Assessment) -Cardiovascular Diseases Recertification-
ABIM

2022 Board Certification, American Society of Echocardiography- ASE

2015-2024 Maintenance of Certification (MOC)- Cardiovascular Diseases, American Board
of Internal Medicine (ABIM)

2015 Cardiovascular Diseases Recertification, American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM)

2008 Board Certification, Certification Board of Nuclear Cardiology-CBNC

2007 CCTA Level II Verification, Society of Cardiac Computed Tomography-SCCT

2004 Cardiovascular Diseases Recertification- American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM)

1995 Cardiovascular Diseases - American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM)

1990 Internal Medicine - American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM)

Faculty / Hospital / Board Appointments

May 2023- present

Medical Advisory Board, Biotel, Philips Ambulatory Monitoring and Diagnostics



May 2019-June 2020

President, Board of Directors, Metro Atlanta Greater Southeast Affiliate, American



July 2016-July 2018

President, Board of Directors, Metro Atlanta Greater Southeast Affiliate, American Heart Association; Board Member, 2014-2018



Dec 2011-Dec 2017

Medical Director, Heart & Vascular Institute, Northside Hospital

1000 Johnson Ferry Rd

Atlanta, GA 30342



2011-2017 Councilor, GA Chapter American College of Cardiology: 1st term 2011-2014, 2nd term 2014-2017.



January 2010- January 2012

Medical Director, Invasive Cardiology, Northside Hospital

January 2008- Jan 2010

Medical Director, Nuclear Cardiology and ECG

St. Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta

July 1994

Emory University School of Medicine

Assistant Professor of Medicine, Department of Medicine

July 1989
University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
Clinical Associate, Department of Medicine

Professional Memberships and Societies

- ACC
- Society of Cardiac Computed Tomography, Founding Member
- MAG- Medical Association of Georgia

Active Hospital Privileges and Licensure

Emory St Joseph's Hospital
665 Peachtree Dunwoody Road
Atlanta, GA 30342
Active Licenses- GA; Inactive Licenses – PA, FL

Emory University Hospital Midtown
550 Peachtree Street
Atlanta, GA 30308

Honors/Awards

- Emory 99th Percentile Provide Excellence, Press Ganey, 2024
- Emory Provider of Excellence Award, Press Ganey, 2023
- Emory Healthcare Platinum Provider, 2021, 2022,
- Emory Healthcare Diamond Provider - 2019 Top 1% Provider Recognition
- Emory University School of Medicine Community Preceptor of the Year Award, 2009
- Fellow, American Heart Association, 2001
- Fellow, American College of Cardiology, 1996
- Merton F. Utter Annual Award for Excellence in Biochemistry, 1983
- Phi Beta Kappa, 1983
- Western Reserve Scholar, 1980 – 1982
- Dean's List, 1980 – 1981

Volunteer work

- Rebecca's tent- Women's shelter Renovation- <https://rebeccastent.org>
- Emory School of Medicine PA program Preceptor
- Emory Farmworker Project- <https://med.emory.edu/departments/family-preventive/divisions-programs/physician-assistant-program/farmworker-project.html>

Publications

Singh S, Smith G, Balk M. Cutting the Draw: Data Transparency and Peer Feedback Reduce Unnecessary Daily Labs (abstract 2284483); SHM 2026 Converge Innovations Poster

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Balk M, Torres W "Effect of Angioplasty on Coronary Calcification as Determined by Ultra fast Computed Tomography" Am J Cardiology, 1995, 76:642

Balk M "Antioxidant Vitamins: Fact or Fiction" Total Fitness for Men, April 1995, p 44

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Balk M, Goldman J "Alveolar Hemorrhage as a Manifestation of Pulmonary Barotrauma After Scuba Diving" *Annals of Emergency Medicine*, 1990, 19:930-934

Greenberg BM, Hamilton R, Rothkopf DM, Balk M, Clark WH, Larossa D "Management of Cutaneous Melanomas of the Female Breast", *Plast. Reconstr. Surg.*, 1987, 80:409-415

Keating HJ, Sims SC, Balk MA. Computer Assisted Pre-Operative Evaluation (CAPE) — A System Description. *Proceedings of the Annual Symposium on Computer Application in Medical Care*. November 1984:269-272.

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Norlander JE, Payne M, Njoroge N, Balk M et al "Friedel Crafts Acylation with N-(Trifluorocetyl)-Alpha-Amino Acids Chlorides" *J Organic Chemistry*, 1984, 49:4107-4111

Invited Lectures/Presentations

1994-1999

1. IHSS-Emory University Cardiology Grand Rounds
2. Constrictive Pericarditis-VAMC Grand rounds
3. Antioxidant Vitamins and The Heart- Sportslife
4. ECG Unknowns with J. Willis Hurst MD "Emory University First Annual "cardiology for Primary Care Physicians- Sea Island"
5. Current Management of Unstable Angina "Emory University First Annual "cardiology for Primary Care Physicians- Sea Island"
6. Indication For Heart Catheterization After Acute Myocardial Infarction
7. Viagra and the Heart- Northside Hospital Medical Grand Rounds

2000-2006

8. Evaluation of the Patient with Chest Pain – Kaiser Permanente Annual Conference
9. Early Detection of CAD-Novel Risk Markers and Diagnostic Testing- Northside Hospital Medical Grand Rounds
10. Coronary Artery Disease- Congregation Shearith Israel
11. Cardiovascular Problems and Pregnancy, September 2005, 13th Annual Conference on High Risk Perinatal Medicine
12. CCTA- What you need to know- Northside Hospital Medical Grand Rounds
13. CTA Artifacts- STJ Advanced Cardiac Imaging Grand Rounds

2007-2010

14. Non-invasive diagnosis of coronary disease in 2007: How do I decide what test to do?
15. Non-invasive Cardiac Workshop, GA Chapter, American College of Cardiology annual meeting, 2007
16. Pre-operative assessment, KP Dept of General Surgery
17. CTA Artifacts Update- STJ Advanced Cardiac Imaging Grand Rounds
18. Instructional Cases In Cardiac CTA- Advanced Cardiac Imaging Conference
19. Nuclear Cardiology Update, TID and ASNC 2008 -STJ Imaging conference
20. CTA –Interesting Cases and Non-coronary Findings, Advanced Cardiac Imaging Conference, St. Joseph's Hospital of Atlanta
21. Cardiac Causes of Stroke- NSH Stroke Symposium 2009
22. Cardiac Sources of Emboli- Northside Hospital Medical Grand Rounds 2009
23. 2010 Advances in Robotic & Hybrid Coronary Revascularization Conference-CT Angiography

2011-2017

24. Constrictive Pericarditis, Cardiac Cath Conference March 2011
25. Pearls of ECG Interpretation, Northside Emergency Associates Quarterly meeting
26. Obesity: A Weighty Issue on the Heart, Feb 2012
27. ECG interpretation for the Cath Lab staff, Feb 2014
28. Cardiac CTA in the Diagnosis of Coronary Artery Disease- CV Symposium 2014, April 2014
29. GA Power- Warning Signs of Heart Disease, AHA, Aug 2014
30. TV appearance-Marijuana and the heart and acute stress cardiomyopathy - Fox5 Atlanta, 2017

2018-Present

31. Radio Talk show- I Heart Media, Jan 2018 – BP guidelines, Target BP, and Complete Streets
32. Smoke-Free Atlanta, Presentation to Atlanta City Council on behalf of AHA; May 22, 2019
33. ESCAPE conference, Amelia Island; Whole Food Plant Based Diets, 2019
34. ESCAPE conference, Amelia Island; Quality and Value in Secondary Prevention, 2019
35. Emory PA School of Medicine- Update in Cardiology, Jan 2023
36. Emory PA School of Medicine- Valvular Heart Disease, 2024
37. PSI Update- clinical documentation, ESJH CCM, 2024
38. Emory Post Graduate GME course – HACs and PSIs, 2025

