

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## THOMAS RAFAEL ORTIZ, M.D., F.A.A.F.P., D.A.B.F.P. FAMILY PHYSICIAN

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### Professional

**Address:** Forest Hill Family Health Associates, P.A.  
Health Practice Management Corp.  
465-7 Mt. Prospect Avenue  
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**Date of Birth:** October 10, 1955

**Birth Place:** Dumont, New Jersey, USA

**Marital Status:** Married to Myrna, a retired Licensed Physical Therapist, with three children, Jaclynn, 35, Health Informatics Specialist, Thomas II, 33, Creative Director, and Dana, 29, OB/Gyn Physician

**Health Status:** Excellent, no physical disabilities or limitations

**Languages:** Bi-Lingual in Spanish and English

### BOARD CERTIFICATION:

2014 Recertified – Diplomat - American Board of Family Medicine

### FACULTY STAFF APPOINTMENTS

2017-2018 Office of National Coordinator - 2017 ONC Fellowship

2010-2012 Section Chief- Division of Family Medicine, Department of Medicine at Beth Israel Medical Center and Medical Director, The Center of Excellence for Primary Care

1996-Present Volunteer Faculty – Assistant Professor of Medicine, Department of Medicine, NJMS

2006-2007 Assistant Medical Director, UMD Care, Division of Ambulatory and Community Programs, Dept. of Medicine, NJMS

2003-2006 Medical Director, Columbus Horizon Detox Unit, Columbus Hospital, Newark, NJ

- 1986- 1996 Volunteer Faculty – Clinical Assistant Professor of Family Medicine, Department of Family Medicine, Rutgers - New Jersey Medical School, UMDNJ, Newark New Jersey
- 1986 Clinical Instructor: Department of Family Medicine, Rutgers-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, New Brunswick, New Jersey
- 1984 -1991 Clinical Assistant Professor of Medicine; Department of Medicine, New Jersey Medical School, UMDNJ, Newark, New Jersey

## **MEDICAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS**

- 1985-Present Clara Maass Medical Center  
Belleville, New Jersey (Active)

## **CLINICAL STAFF APPOINTMENTS:**

- 2016-Present Medical Director - The Center of Excellence for Latino Health at Clara Maass Medical Center - Belleville, NJ

Duties: To organize the hospital resources to focus on the health care needs of the Latino community for outreach, providing health awareness programs, health promotional and screening activities and direct medical services to the local Latino community. We are reaching the youth through mentorship and health promotion at the local public-school system and establishing screenings and health ministry support at local churches and their congregations. CELH provides cultural competency and linguistic capability training at all hospital departments and other projects within the RWJBH system. We promote transitions in care to competent medical homes.

- 1984-Present Chief Medical and Information Officer  
Forest Hill Family Health Associates, P.A.  
An NCQA Recognized “Patient Centered Medical Home” level III since 2010  
465 Mt. Prospect Avenue, Newark, NJ 07104

Duties: 37 years directing cutting edge primary care clinical services provided by FHFHA medical staff (10 Clinicians), providing patient centered comprehensive and individualized primary healthcare services to the families, special needs and high-risk patients of The Greater Newark Community. To develop programs to better serve the primary health care needs of people regardless of age, sex, handicap, or method of payment. To direct public relations for the facility and to promote wellness, prevention and health maintenance, chronic disease management and transition in care. To teach the practice and philosophy of Family Practice, the principles of the “Patient Centered Medical Home” and the integration of health information technology of modern practice management and primary care delivery for the urban and vulnerable populations to health care professional students.

- 1999-Present Medical Coordinator Forest Hill Medical Arts Center for Specialty Care  
467 Mt. Prospect Ave., Newark, NJ

Duties: To coordinate the leasing and occupancy of a time share facility to regional sub specialists providing needed access to 15 different specialists in the community setting of private practice.

2011-2014                      Consultant Medical Director, NJHITEC Meaningful Use, NJIT, Newark, NJ

Duties- To assist and coach primary care practices in administrative and clinical organizational transformation in choosing, implementing and utilizing EMR technology and the principles of the PCMH.

2006-Present                      Assistant Professor, Department of Family Medicine, RNJMS

2002-Present                      Medical Director – Casa Israel “An Adult Medical Day Care Facility Newark, New Jersey

2006-Present                      Medical Director – Home Away From Home “An Adult Medical Day Care Facility” Nutley, New Jersey

2013-2014                      Consultant Medical Director, Providence Pediatric Medical DayCare, Inc. “Medical DayCare for Special Needs Children”, West Berlin, NJ

2010-2014                      Consultant Medical Director, City of Newark  
Department of Family and Child Well-Being Health Center  
394 University Ave.,  
Newark, New Jersey 07102

**BUSINESS POSITIONS:**

2014-Present                      Osler Health Network- National IPA, Regional Medical Director

2007-Present                      President – Urban Primary Care Physician Association, LLC - IPA  
“A primary care physician network of independent practices”.

1984-Present                      CEO-Chairman of the Board  
Health Practice Management Corporation  
467 Mt. Prospect Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07104

Duties: Provide administrative, business management, practice transformation support and complete practice management consulting services for health care delivery systems and practices in NJ.

**AWARDS AND HONORS:**

2018                                      The Essex County Latino Chamber of Commerce- **2018 Lifetime Achievement Award**- September 29, 2018, Newark, NJ

2018                                      The Latino Center on Aging- **2018 Golden Age Recognition Award for Community Service**- June 29, 2018, Bronx, NY

2018                                      New Jersey Academy of Family Physicians- **2018 Family Physician of The Year**- June 13, 2018, Atlantic City, NJ

2015                                      **Outstanding Professor of Family Medicine**- Latino Student Medical Association- Rutgers NJMS