

CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

Fellows

Class of 2028



Paul Gilbert, MD

Residency: Internal Medicine – HonorHealth

Medical School: Loma Linda University School of Medicine

I grew up just outside of Boston, Massachusetts and made my way west for medical school in California before completing my residency in Arizona. I was drawn to medicine because I find deep fulfillment in using my skills to help others. I'm interested in interventional cardiology and my current research projects are focused on coronary microvasculature.

What stood out to me about HonorHealth is its commitment to developing well-rounded physicians, not only through strong clinical training, but also by fostering a culture of mentorship and support.

Outside of medicine, I enjoy spending time with my wife and our dogs. I also have a passion for hands-on projects, whether it's restoring a Z06 Corvette or building custom furniture, I love learning new skills and tackling ambitious challenges.



April Olson, MD, MPH

Residency: Internal Medicine – Banner University Medical Center

Medical School: University of Arizona College of Medicine

I was born and raised in Tucson, Arizona. Up until this point, I have completed all of my education and training in Tucson. Along the way, I developed a strong interest in cardiology, particularly in non-invasive and echocardiography. I was drawn to how it blends physiology and real-time decision-making with the opportunity to build long-term patient relationships that can span years.

I was drawn to the HonorHealth Cardiology Fellowship Program because of its commitment to clinical excellence, strong mentorship, and dedication to serving a diverse patient population. Staying in the Southwest allows me to remain close to family while continuing to care for populations with a wide range of cardiovascular disease. I am confident that HonorHealth will provide the skills and foundation I need to become an exceptional clinical cardiologist.

When I'm not at work, you can usually find me at home listening to an audiobook and hanging out with my two cats.



Bijan Rizi, MD, MPH

Residency: Internal Medicine – University of Southern California/Los Angeles General Medical Center

Medical School: American University of the Caribbean

I was born and raised in Southern California and spent most of my life there until moving away for college and medical school. I chose to pursue a career in cardiology because of my passion for preventive care and public health. Seeing the profound impact cardiovascular disease has on individuals and communities inspired me to help patients prevent heart disease through early intervention, education, and lifestyle changes. I plan to pursue a career in either interventional cardiology or general cardiology with a focus in preventive cardiology, where I hope to combine personalized patient care with public health initiatives to

improve long-term outcomes.

I was drawn to HonorHealth for its strong sense of camaraderie among fellows and faculty, as well as the vast clinical exposure the program offers. I knew it would be the ideal environment to grow both personally and professionally.

Outside of medicine, I enjoy traveling, cooking, gardening, playing soccer, and hiking.



Juliana Savic, MD

Residency: Internal Medicine – Mayo Clinic Arizona

Medical School: University of Mexico

I was born in Germany and immigrated to Albuquerque, New Mexico at a young age. I completed both my bachelor's degree in biochemistry and my medical degree at the University of New Mexico. Afterwards, I came to Phoenix, Arizona to complete my internal medicine residency program at Mayo Clinic Arizona. With my personal history as a refugee, I have a particular interest in healthcare disparities, equity, and health literacy. I am also passionate about women's health and gender disparities in medicine. The breadth of pathophysiology and rapidly evolving therapies within cardiology are what drew me to this field.

I chose HonorHealth to continue my training as they are known for excellent hands-on clinical training, and their staff seemed supportive so supportive and personable.

Some personal hobbies of mine are tennis, pickleball, and jigsaw puzzles.

Class of 2027**Michelle Sung, MD**

Residency: Internal Medicine – University of California, Davis

Medical School: Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine

I grew up in San Jose, California where my upbringing instilled in me the values of compassion, determination, and a desire for the pursuit of knowledge. I completed my undergraduate training at the University of California Davis, and after finishing medical school at Loyola University Chicago, I returned to UC Davis for my Internal Medicine Residency training. While in residency, I continued pursuing my passion for cardiology through research interests such as methamphetamine associated cardiomyopathy and leadless pacemakers. These projects have nurtured my interests such as electrophysiology which I am excited to explore further in fellowship.

It is a privilege to continue my training at HonorHealth in Arizona, where the strong focus on excellent patient care will shape me into the kind of cardiologist I aspire to be. I am grateful for the many learning opportunities the HonorHealth system will provide and the ability to train in close proximity to my family.

In my free time, I love to read, travel, hike and stay active, learn to cook new recipes, and laugh out loud to comedy shows!

**Chelsea Marshall, MD**

Residency: Internal Medicine – Mayo Clinic, Arizona

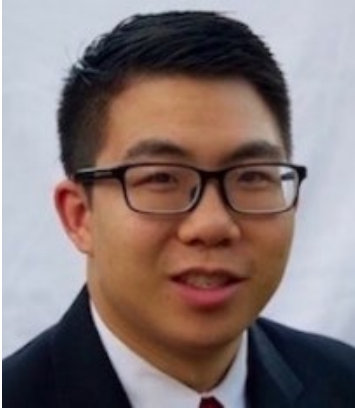
Medical School: University of Arizona

I was born in Vancouver, Canada but grew up in Tucson, Arizona for almost all of my life. I completed undergrad at the University of San Diego with a major in biochemistry. I went to medical school at the University of Arizona in Tucson and completed my Residency at Mayo Clinic in Arizona. I have loved the field of cardiology throughout my medical training and that passion only grew with my exposure in residency. I love the acuity of cardiology, the procedures, and also being able to form long term relationships with patients. I have an interest in interventional cardiology, heart failure and transplant but also really enjoy general cardiology.

I was drawn to HonorHealth for the cardiology fellowship as I wanted hands on training that would prepare me for a strong clinical career. The program leadership and faculty are truly dedicated to fellow education and training and there is significant camaraderie between everyone here.

My hobbies and interests include playing pickleball, board games, video games, traveling, scuba diving, skiing and hanging out with my cat.

Class of 2026

**Christopher Low, MD**

Residency: Internal Medicine - Kaiser Permanente
Medical School: California Northstate University

I was born in Sacramento, California, and was raised in Stockton, a city in the California central valley. I completed my undergraduate education at UCLA and medical school at California Northstate University. I completed my residency training at Kaiser Permanente-Santa Clara Medical Center. I have published research on the interaction between diabetes and coronary artery disease and the use of imaging to evaluate for coronary artery disease in patients prior to liver transplant. I am interested in providing high value, evidence-based care for my patients and building strong patient-physician relationships.

I was drawn to Honor Health's commitment to the Phoenix and Scottsdale community. The program leadership is personable and committed to fellow education. I felt Honor Health was the perfect program to allow me to train and grow as a Cardiologist and get involved with the community.

Outside of medicine, I am an avid basketball fan of all levels and am a huge Sacramento Kings fan. I love outdoor activities like hiking and snowboarding.

**Cece E. Ibeson, MD, MPH**

Residency: Internal Medicine - Maimonides Medical Center
Medical School: Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, and University of Benin, Nigeria

When I think of medicine—and cardiology—I think of family. Growing up as the child of a nurse, I was exposed to the world of healthcare from an early age. I witnessed fragility and discovered empowerment in evidence and empathy. Seeing my mother's resolve at the hospital reminded me that few things in life are more gratifying than helping people in their most dire moments. After obtaining my medical degree from the University of Benin, I received a Master's in Public Health in Global Epidemiology (with a focus on infectious diseases) from Emory University. Engaging in clinical research and quality improvement initiatives allowed me to contribute to several peer reviewed journals.

While in residency, I realized that cardiology challenges me the most cerebrally while giving me the utmost sense of fulfillment. Home is where the heart is; in that sense, I am honored to be training at HonorHealth CVD, a place that reminds me of what family should be. We relentlessly pursue knowledge. We innovate. We care. That is the philosophy of the ICARE model—to be ready to intervene, acutely or electively, to prolong life—values I intend to carry with me for the entirety of my career. My dream is to be an exceptionally skilled interventional cardiologist, and the collegial environment at HonorHealth CVD makes that dream a palpable reality.

Outside the hospital, I enjoy traveling, exploring diverse cultures, savoring new culinary experiences, and indulging my love for movies and sports.