

DERMATOLOGY RESIDENCY PROGRAM

Faculty

LEADERSHIP



Rajiv Kwatra, MD

Program Director; Director of Surgery

Rajiv Kwatra, M.D. is a board-certified Dermatologist and Mohs Surgeon. He currently serves as the Program Director and Surgical Director of the HonorHealth Dermatology Residency Program.

Dr. Kwatra is originally from Toledo, Ohio. He attended the University of Florida, where he majored in history, before returning to Ohio to complete his medical degree at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. He came to the Phoenix Valley for his internship at Saint Joseph's Medical Center, then returned to Ohio State University for his dermatology residency. He completed advanced fellowship training at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston, specializing in Mohs Surgery and Cutaneous Oncology.

Dr. Kwatra has been in practice in Phoenix since January 2001 and has performed over 40,000 cases of Mohs surgery. He prides himself on delivering high-quality, compassionate care to his patients.

He is passionate about medical education and finds great gratification in mentoring and teaching. In addition to his clinical roles, Dr. Kwatra serves as an Associate Professor at the Arizona State University School of Medicine. He is actively involved in helping establish the medical school and working with the inaugural class starting in the academic year 2026.

In his spare time, Dr. Kwatra enjoys spending time with his family, including his two teenage daughters.



Dathan Hamann, MD

Associate Program Director

Dathan Hamann is a board-certified dermatologist and the medical director of Saguaro Dermatology and Contact Dermatitis Institute. He is also the Associate Program Director and a core faculty member at the HonorHealth Dermatology Residency in Phoenix, AZ. He is an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Internal Medicine at the University of Arizona College of Medicine – Phoenix. He also serves on the board of the Phoenix Dermatology Society and is on the Education committee of the American Contact Dermatitis Society.

After obtaining his undergraduate degree at Calvin College and his medical degree at the University of Arizona, he did his dermatology residency at the Ohio State University where he also served as the Chief Resident of Research.

He is the co-author of textbook chapters on rubber allergy and metal allergy, and he has authored more than 50 peer-reviewed publications. His primary clinical interests include complex medical dermatology and contact dermatitis.



Carsten R. Hamann, MD, PhD
Associate Program Director; Director of Research

Carsten R. Hamann is a board-certified dermatologist at Saguardo Dermatology and the Contact Dermatitis Institute. He is also a Clinical Assistant Professor of Dermatology at Dartmouth Geisel School of Medicine. He completed his undergraduate degree at Calvin College and went on to obtain his medical degree at Loma Linda University. After graduation, he attended the University of Copenhagen in Denmark, where he received his Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health and Epidemiology with a focus on risk factors and comorbidities of eczema.

Post-graduation, Dr. Hamann returned to the states to complete his Dermatology residency at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center where he was the Chief Resident from 2020 – 2021 and the Assistant Chief Resident of

Research from 2018-2020. Dr. Hamann is a co-author of 3 textbook chapters on rubber allergy and metal allergy, and he has authored more than 57 peer-reviewed publications

FACULTY



Lindsay S. Ackerman, MD, FAAD
Faculty, (Medical Dermatology)

Lindsay S. Ackerman, MD, was the founding physician of Medical Dermatology Specialists, and the Medical Dermatology Specialists' Clinical Research Unit (now a part of US Dermatology Partners), in Phoenix, Arizona, where she actively practices clinical dermatology and serves as both a Principle Investigator and Director of Research. Dr. Ackerman is also an Associate Professor of Dermatology at the University of Arizona College of Medicine, Lead faculty attending for resident education in Dermatology, and the Chief of Inpatient Dermatology at Banner University Medical Center.

Dr. Ackerman earned her medical degree at the University of Arizona College of Medicine in Tucson, Arizona, completed an internship in Combined Medicine/Pediatrics at Banner Good Samaritan Medical Center, and she completed a residency in Dermatology at Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana, followed by a fellowship in Complex Medical Dermatology. Dr. Ackerman remains board certified in Dermatology.

Dr. Ackerman has served in many roles in both leadership and advocacy. She was elected to serve as the member representative to the American Academy of Dermatology's (AAD) Nominating Committee in 2024 and has served as a Delegate for the AAD to the American Medical Association (AMA) since 2005. She has been active in local dermatology societies, as a founding and former board member of the Arizona Dermatology and Dermatologic Surgery Society, and as a member of the Phoenix Dermatologic Society. Dr. Ackerman has served on several task forces for the AAD, Women's Dermatologic Society, and remains an active member of the Dermatology Foundation Advisory Council.

Dr. Ackerman has been published in several peer-reviewed publications, including JAMA Dermatology and JAAD, and has been invited to share her independent research at international meetings such as the World Congress on Gender Medicine, European Academy of Dermatology and Venereology, and the World Congress of Dermatology. Lecturing locally, nationally, and internationally, she finds joy in the engagement of both teaching and learning.

Lindsay prides herself on being a dedicated wife, mother, and daughter. She describes herself as someone that loves life itself and genuinely engages in celebrating the gifts provided by all her relationships ... with family, friends, colleagues, and patients.



Scott Bennion, MD
Faculty, (VA Medical Dermatology)

Scott Desmond Bennion, MD is a board-certified dermatologist and internist and Associate Professor of Dermatology.

Dr. Scott Bennion, raised in Casper, graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelors in Science (BS) from the University of Wyoming prior to completing his Master's degree of Science from the University of Wyoming. He then went on to complete his medical degree (MD) at the University of Utah in 1975. After completing an internal medicine residency at the University of Rutgers, he finished a second residency in dermatology at Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center in Denver. He also completed a fellowship in Immunodermatology at the University of Colorado.

Dr. Bennion founded Central Wyoming Skin Clinic & Medical Skin Care to bring a new level of patient care to dermatology. Dr. Bennion joined the Phoenix VA in 2024.



Thomas Davis, MD
Faculty (Dermatopathology, Medical & Surgical Dermatology)

Dr. Thomas Davis is board-certified in dermatopathology by both the American Board of Dermatology and the American Board of Pathology. He received his medical degree from the University of Texas Medical School in San Antonio, after which he completed his post-graduate and residency training at Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center in Lackland, TX and dermatopathology fellowship at New York University Medical Center, NY. Dr. Davis spent a year as Chief as Chief Dermatopathologist at Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center. His academic appointments included an assistant professor of clinical dermatology at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, MD; the Clinical Assistant Professor in Medicine (Dermatology) and Assistant Clinical

Professor of Pathology at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, TX; and currently Clinical Faculty for the South Texas Dermatology residency in McAllen, TX.

Dr. Davis has held professional honors and executive positions as Secretary-Treasurer of the Zola Cooper Seminar (2009-2015); President of the San Antonio Dermatologic Society (1997-1998); and he was voted as the most valuable intern at the Department of Medicine at UT Health San Antonio.



Justin Moser, MD
Faculty, (Hematology Oncology)

Justin Moser is board certified in Internal Medicine Hematology and Medical Oncology and is an Associate Clinical Investigator at HonorHealth Research Institute. He is also a Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Arizona College of Medicine - Phoenix as well as an Associate Research Professor at Arizona State University School of Medicine and Advanced Medical Engineering (SOMME). After completing his medical degree at University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine he completed a residency in Internal Medicine at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN, followed by a Hematology and Oncology fellowship at the Huntsman Cancer Institute at the University of Utah.

After fellowship he spent two years learning about developing new anti-cancer therapies as a Drug Development Scholar at HonorHealth Research Institute where he subsequently joined as faculty. Dr. Moser currently leads the Cutaneous Oncology Clinical and Research Programs at HonorHealth Research Institute, which he has grown into one of the largest programs in the nation.



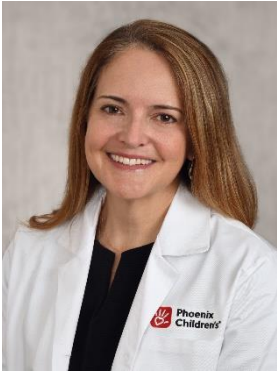
Harper N. Price, MD, FAAD, FAAP
Faculty (Pediatrics)

Dr. Harper N. Price is a dermatologist whose specialties include cutaneous oncology, cutaneous reactions to cancer treatments and transplant medicine, genetic skin disease, and lasers and surgery in children. Currently, Dr. Price is serving as the division chief of dermatology at Phoenix Children's Hospital. In 2021- 2022, Dr. Price developed the Phoenix Children's Skin Cancer Prevention Program. She began her medical career at Phoenix Children's and is grateful that she worked her first five years in clinical practice under the expertise of Dr. Ronald Hansen, a founding father of the dermatology specialty. Graduating magna cum laude, Dr. Price earned her medical degree from Jefferson Medical College, in Philadelphia, PA. She then completed both her internship and dermatology residency at Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center in Hershey, PA. She went on to complete a pediatric dermatology fellowship at NYU

School of Medicine in New York, NY and received board certification from the American Board of Dermatology in both dermatology and pediatric dermatology.

Dr. Price is a member of numerous professional organizations, including the Society for Pediatric Dermatology and the American Academy of Dermatology. She's also a Diplomat for the American Board of Dermatology and an American Academy of Pediatric specialty fellow in dermatology. Dr. Price has conducted vast clinical research relating to various aspects of pediatric dermatology. She has chaired and co-chaired multiple academic sessions and has contributed to a wide array of medical publications. Her care philosophy centers around recognizing kids as individuals, building a strong relationship with patients and families, having fun, and delivering high-quality care. She believes that parents have extensive insight into their children's well-being and that they should be listened to and empowered with information to share in decision-making. Dr. Price is extremely academic-minded and enjoys staying up to date on the latest research and techniques to provide her patients with the most advanced, evidence-based care.

Living in Arizona has given Dr. Price plenty of opportunities to be outdoors. She enjoys hiking, paddling, and taking photos. She also loves interior design, reading fiction and taking photography courses. Dr. Price loves animals and has two dogs. She eats a plant-based diet and has been trying out her green thumb with house plants.



Daniela Russi, MD
Faculty, (Pediatrics)

As a pediatric dermatologist, Daniela Russi, MD, cares for kids with skin conditions and diseases. Dr. Russi fell in love with Arizona while completing a fellowship at Phoenix Children's after spending several years in Chicago for medical training. It's been her home ever since. Growing up, Dr. Russi loved spending time at the hospital with her grandfather, a cardiologist. She always knew she wanted to be a pediatrician, and her passion for photography and her visual learning ability led her to the field of dermatology.

After earning her medical degree at the University of Rio de Janeiro, Dr. Russi completed a dermatology residency at the University Hospital Pedro Ernesto, also in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. In Chicago, she completed an international pediatric dermatology fellowship at Children's Memorial Hospital (now Lurie Children's Hospital) and a pediatric residency at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital. She then completed a pediatric dermatology fellowship at Phoenix Children's.

Dr. Russi is certified in pediatrics by the American Board of Pediatrics and is also certified by the Brazilian Society of Dermatology. She is a member of numerous professional organizations, including the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Society for Pediatric Dermatology. Understanding the importance of advancing her field through research and education, Dr. Russi has contributed to numerous professional publications and has presented at international and national meetings. Dr. Russi believes everyone has a story that includes struggles. That's why she takes time to listen to patients and families, and cares for them as she would her own family.

When she's not working, Dr. Russi enjoys photography and spending time in nature. She also enjoys sailing and traveling to foreign countries.