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**Summarize your experience in your career within health care risk management.**

My involvement in risk management began when I was a resident in OB/GYN -1982. 15 years ago, RM my focus. I am the System Director of Quality and Patient Safety for OB/GYN. I provide expert reviews of malpractice cases and review for OPMC of NY and the NY AG. I am on BOD of the NS-LIJ RRG and Chair of the Claims Committee. I have developed RM programs, lectures, and lead RM week. I perform risk assessments for hospitals. I am Chair of the MCH committee for the AHA. I am on MSSNY PI committee.

**Provide a list and brief description of all academic degrees, professional, designations, certifications, credentials that you currently hold.**

B.A-Queens College CUNY M.D-SUNY-Downstate Medical Center M.B.A- Hofstra University Fellow American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists Fellow American College of Medical Genetics & Genomics Distinguished Fellow ASHRM Board certified :Obstetrics & Gynecology Maternal Fetal Medicine Medical Genetics Six Sigma-Black Belt Professor of Obstetrics & Gynecology-Donald and Barbara Zucker/Hofstra School of Medicine

**Describe your current role within your organization.**

System Director of Quality & Patient Safety -OB/GYN. I lead the 10 maternity hospitals with my team in risk reduction, patient safety and performance improvement. I collaborate with the risk management team. Vice Chairman of OB/GYN - I oversee a team in identifying and reviewing all adverse outcomes. I head the Performance Improvement Committee and lead RCA in OB/GYN. I spend 25% of my time practicing high-risk OB. I am a Director of Montauk RRG (Northwell Health).

**How has your past leadership or management experience prepared you to serve in an ASHRM leadership role?**

My leadership roles in starting and running a large OB/GYN practice, my leadership roles in ASHRM and in AHRMNY, and in the MCH committee at AHA has given me vision and perspective of healthcare and its intersection with risk management in the future. These experiences has prepared me to take on the role and responsibilities of leading ASHRM into the future.

**How have you demonstrated leadership within the health care industry as it pertains to risk management (i.e., risk financing, claims management, legal or regulatory, ERM, etc)**

I have extensive experience in clinical medicine, risk and claims and risk financing. My involvement in the RRG as a Director and Claims and work in reviewing cases in the defense of physicians and hospitals has given me a tremendous amount of exposure to both claims and risk financing. I represent ASHRM on AIM (ACOG) I am Chair of AHA MCH Committee I am on the Board of Directors of AHRMNY and served as President. I have been on the Editorial Board JHRM and was past Editor.

**Describe your involvement in any of the local Chapters**

Association of Healthcare Risk Management of New York Committees: 1. Publications committee-co-chair 2. Education committee-chair 3.Nominating committee-chair Board of Directors -2012- present President elect,President,Past president 2020-2024.

**Provide a list of previous volunteer experience within ASHRM (committees/task forces, faculty, elected offices, publications, etc)**

Chair Nominations committee; Board of Directors; Editor of J Healthcare Risk Management; Editorial board JHRM; Chair of Physician-Advanced Practitioner task force; Patient safety task force; Co-lead Obstetrics Play Book: Co-editor OB Pearls 1 and 2:Co-editor Office pearl; Contributor to Patinet safety playbook;5 platform presentations at Annual conference on OB risk management; Small bite presentations.