

Speaker Information



Sharon Baker, BSN, MN, CWHNP, WIN President and Founder. Sharon is a retired women's health nurse practitioner. She completed her nursing degree at Southern Illinois University and moved to Atlanta to begin her career at Grady Hospital in the labor and delivery unit. She began attending Emory University and completed a master's degree in maternal-child health and then moved to Richmond, Virginia to teach at the Medical College of Virginia. After obtaining her certification at MCV as a women's health nurse practitioner, she returned to Georgia. She has worked as a clinician, educator, and administrator. She founded the Women's Information Network, Inc., in 1991 and has been organizing workshops of importance to the Northwest Georgia community for 27 years. She was appointed to the Georgia Commission on Women in 1999 by Governor Barnes and is still serving as the Chair of the Health Committee. She is a certified menopause practitioner and was awarded the "Inspiration in Education" award by the National Association of Women's Health Nurse Practitioners in 2017. Sharon has two grown sons.



Amber Todd earned a doctorate in physical therapy and a master's degree in public health from University of South Alabama. She also holds a bachelor's degree in athletic training from the University of Southern Mississippi. She is a member of the National Athletic Trainers Association and American Physical Therapy Association; and is a Certified Kinesio Taping Practitioner.



Melanie Troxell, R.N. Melanie is a board certified cardio-vascular nurse with more than twenty years experience as a community health educator. She has worked as a float pool nurse at Redmond Regional Medical Center in Rome for five years and loves nothing more than to share smart tips for easy lifestyle improvements. She's a full time student, an adoring wife and happy mom of three teenage boys. She loves to share by volunteering as a board member for WIN and projects with Summit Quest.



Greg Paulson has been program director/chef instructor at Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Rome, GA., since 2008. He was Executive Chef of Coosa Country Club, Rome, GA, from 1997 – 2008. With over 35 years of professional experience in the hotel, resort and restaurant industry, he has enjoyed living and working in some exciting cities including Honolulu, Seattle, Phoenix, Chicago, Los Angeles, and St. Thomas, U.S.V.I. Paulson has dedicated his last 10 years of culinary expertise with aspiring students and recently was inducted into the American Academy of Chefs Honor Society. Paulson is an active member of Greater Atlanta chapter, and has served, the Chef de Cuisine Association, Honolulu chapter in various positions, including president, treasurer, and co-chairman for the 1991 National Convention in Honolulu. He has earned several gold and silver medals in culinary competitions, and has received numerous awards and recognitions, such as Chapter Chef of the Year in 1991 and 1993.



Abhijit Kanthala Reddy, MD is affiliated with Redmond Regional Medical Center as hospitalist and is a board certified gerontologist. He completed an internship at Rochester Regional Health, a residency at Rochester Regional Health, a fellowship at the University of Miami, and a graduate degree from Mahadevappa Rampure Medical College. He is the subspecialty director for the Redmond Regional Medical Center's residency program. He is fluent in English, Hindi, Indian, Spanish, & Telugu.



C .Michelle Strickland, M.D.

Board certified in Family Medicine and Sports Medicine.

BS at University of North Georgia 1991.

BS in Physician Assistant form Medical college of Georgia 1994.

Degree in Doctor of Medicine from St. Matthews University in Grand Cayman SOM.

Dual degree in Master Health Science Administration from St. Joseph's College of Maine in 2008.

Emergency Medicine Physician Assistant 1994-2006.

Floyd Family medicine Residency Program completed in 2011.

Cabarrus Primary Care Sports Medicine Fellowship completed 2012.

Community Faculty of the Year, Floyd Family Medicine Residency 2015.

Team Physician for Cass High School and Shorter University 2012-Present, assists with coverage of all area high schools that have Floyd Trainers.

Jack Hughston Physician of the Year 2018 from Georgia Athletic Trainers Association.



Shannon Loy PT is a licensed physical therapist. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Rehabilitation Sciences in 1999 and his Master's degree in Physical Therapy in 2001 from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. While earning his undergraduate degree he played Rugby and was also awarded the Outstanding Senior Award for having the highest GPA in his degree program. While completing his Master's degree he was able to perform his final clinical rotation at Georgetown University Hospital in Washington DC. He began working with Advance Rehabilitation in 2001 and opened Advance Rehabilitation in Adairsville in 2004. He later became the director of Advance Rehabilitation of Cedartown and taught orthopedics at Chattahoochee Technical Physical Therapy Assistant Program. He has obtained his Orthopedic Clinical Specialist (OCS) and has served as a

clinical mentor for Mercer's orthopedic PT residency program. Additionally he developed and taught Practical Solutions for falls in an Outpatient Orthopedic Setting. Currently he is the director of Advance Rehabilitation of Adairsville and serves Advance Rehabilitation as the Director of Clinical Development. He is a Certified Ergonomics Assessment Specialist (CEAS) and also is certified in Dry Needling. He is married to Lauren Miller Loy and he has 3 children and they reside in Rome, Ga. His hobbies include going to church, watching his son play baseball, and watching his daughters dance.



Daniel B. Webb, MD is a neurosurgeon at Harbin Clinic. He graduated summa cum laude from University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, Alabama and University of Alabama School of Medicine in Birmingham, Alabama. He completed his residency and internship in neurosurgery at University of Cincinnati Department of Neurosurgery, University Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio. He is a member of the Congress of Neurological Surgeons, the American Association of Neurological Surgeons and the Mayfield Society. Dr. Webb has been practicing at Harbin Clinic since 2013.