

SPEAKER BIOS AND DISCLOSURES

Meredith Oakey Ashford

Meredith Oakey Ashford has been a Speech Language Pathologist in the adult acute care program at VUMC for 15 years. She is the co-coordinator of the Vanderbilt University Hospital multidisciplinary tracheostomy team. Meredith has spoken at national conferences on the topics of Dysphagia and Collaboration with Palliative Medicine, communication assessments for patients who are ventilator dependent via tracheostomy, and instrumental swallowing evaluations. She is a frequent guest lecturer across the medical center.

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FINANCIAL: Meredith Ashford receives a salary from Vanderbilt Medical Center

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Nina Collins, MSN, RN, ACNP-BC

Nina Collins is an Assistant in Surgery serving on faculty at Vanderbilt Medical Center. Her primary role is facilitating the inpatient Trach/PEG consultation service for the Division of Acute Care Surgery since 2014. She also provides outpatient care to her patients. She has nurse practitioner experience in the outpatient Trauma clinic, LTAC care, and with the Rapid Response team. She is an adjunct professor in the Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner program at the Vanderbilt University School of Nursing. Nina is a board-certified Acute Care Nurse Practitioner. She started her nursing career as an RN in the Trauma Intensive Care Unit and has been a nurse or nurse practitioner at VUMC for over 20 years.

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Dr. James Coyle

Dr Coyle is Professor of Communication Sciences and Disorders, Otolaryngology, and Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Pittsburgh. He is funded by the NIH to investigate noninvasive sensor-based technologies for the screening and diagnosis of dysphagia. He is a Board Certified Specialist in Swallowing and a Fellow of ASHA.

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Dr. Lealani Acosta

Dr. Lealani Mae (Leah) Acosta is an Associate Professor of Neurology and a board-certified neurologist specializing in neurodegenerative memory disorders. Currently she serves as co-editor of the Humanities section of the journal *Neurology*. Dr. Acosta joined the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine faculty in 2013. She completed graduate studies, obtaining a

master's in public health at Vanderbilt, with her research focused on error frequency and quality in a task of semantic fluency in patients with mild cognitive impairment. She attended The George Washington University, graduating *summa cum laude* in psychology. She completed graduate studies in psychology, philosophy, and physiology at Oxford University in Oxford, UK. On returning to the United States, she finished both her medical education and residency training in Neurology at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, VA. She completed fellowship in Cognitive and Behavioral Neurology at the University of Florida in Gainesville, FL, under the mentorship of Dr. Kenneth Heilman, focusing on creativity. Her interest in this topic stems in part from her own hobbies of poetry, drawing, and calligraphy. Her range of publications reflects these varied interests, including peer-reviewed research articles and creative writing, primarily poetry.

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Dr. Jonathan Smith

Dr. Jonathan Smith joined the faculty in 2018 after completing a General Adult Psychiatry Residency and Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry Fellowship at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. He serves as the Medical Director for the Vanderbilt University Adult Hospital Psychiatry Services, including inpatient behavioral health consultation services and embedded teams. He is also the Director of the Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry Fellowship and site supervisor for medical students, psychiatry residents, and other trainees rotating within the medical center consultation services.

Dr. Smith's clinical focus is consultation-liaison psychiatry, which is the psychiatric subspecialty focused on the evaluation and management of patients with medical illness who are experiencing behavioral health problems. He works collaboratively with many medical specialties including internal medicine, neurology, critical care, burn and trauma, oncology, obstetrics and gynecology, and surgery to ensure patients received effective and compassionate care for both medical and behavioral problems.

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Dr. Kimberly Vinson

Kimberly N. Vinson, MD, is an associate professor of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville, TN. Dr. Vinson received her medical degree from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine and completed an internship in General Surgery and residency in Otolaryngology at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in Little Rock. She then returned to Vanderbilt to complete a fellowship in Laryngology and Care of the Professional Voice at the Vanderbilt Voice Center. She has practiced at the Vanderbilt Voice Center since finishing her fellowship training. Dr. Vinson holds the department's Directorship for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and serves as the associate dean for Diversity Affairs for

Vanderbilt University School of Medicine. She is involved in a number of efforts to improve inclusion in the learning environments of the Vanderbilt School of Medicine and the Medical Center.

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Cara Donohue, Ph.D.

Dr. Cara Donohue is an Assistant Professor, Director of Medical Speech-Language Pathology, and Director of the Innovative Research in Aerodigestive Disorders (iRAD) Laboratory at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. She completed her Ph.D. in the Computational Deglutition Laboratory at the University of Pittsburgh and her post-doctoral research fellowship in the Aerodigestive Research Core Laboratory at University of Florida. Her research work aims to improve clinical care, patient outcomes, and quality of life for individuals suffering from swallowing disorders by 1) Understanding the underlying mechanisms of swallowing impairments that occur secondary to respiratory and neurological diseases, and critical illness to then 2) develop sensitive screening techniques, accurate assessment methods, and effective treatment approaches for individuals with impaired pulmonary, cough, and swallow function. Her research has been funded by the American Heart Association and the American Speech-Language Hearing Foundation.

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NON-FINANCIAL: Cara Donohue is on the ASHA SIG 13 Coordinating Committee and Convention Planning Committee. She is a member of ASHA, DRS, ESSD, NFOSD, and AHA.

Deborah Hawkins

Deborah Hawkins is the lead Nurse Practitioner in the Head and Neck Cancer Clinic at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. She received her undergraduate from The University of Arizona and Master of Science in Nursing from Vanderbilt. She is board certified in acute care and has worked with oncology patients in her current role since 2010. Outside of her clinical responsibilities, Ms. Hawkins has been piloting a survivorship clinic for head and neck cancer patients for long term management of toxicities from chemotherapy and radiation. She takes an active role in clinical operations and patient experience committees. Her current areas of interest include supportive care regimens in patients undergoing concurrent chemoradiation and maintaining quality standards across multiple network sites.

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Cristina Kline-Quiroz

Cristina Kline-Quiroz, DO is an Assistant Professor of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. Dr. Kline-Quiroz holds Board Certification in Cancer Rehabilitation. She completed her residency in PM&R at Rutgers – New Jersey Medical

School/Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation where she served as Academic Chief Resident followed by a fellowship in Cancer Rehabilitation at MedStar Georgetown University/ National Rehabilitation Hospital.

Dr. Kline-Quiroz is the only fellowship trained cancer rehabilitation physiatrist in the state of Tennessee. She is originally from Indiana and earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Notre Dame prior to attending medical school at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. She enjoys collaborating in the interdisciplinary care of cancer survivors throughout the continuum of their care from time of diagnosis and throughout their survivorship. She has a broad range of clinical interests in optimizing the function and quality of life of cancer survivors.

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Jadranko Franjic, PT III, CLT-LANA

Jadranko Franjic is a Physical Therapist and lead lymphedema specialist at The Vanderbilt Dayani Center. Jadranko completed Physical Therapy College in 1986 at the University of Belgrade, Yugoslavia. In 1993 he moved to Germany where he treated patients with acute and chronic pain, sport injuries, and lymphedema. He completed training for treating patients with lymphedema in 1997 at the Dr. Foeldi Private school in Munich. In 1998 Jadranko moved to the USA with his family and continued practicing physical therapy and lymphedema treatment. He joined The Vanderbilt Dayani Center as a Physical Therapy Lymphedema Specialist in 2011. Jadranko is very passionate about his profession, loves to communicate with patients, their families and colleagues, and likes to use his international experience to provide the best possible patient care.

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Michael Topf, M.D.

Dr. Michael Topf is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. His clinical interests include the surgical management and reconstruction of mucosal head and neck cancer including transoral robotic surgery (TORS). The goals of his research program are to improve oncologic and functional outcomes in head and neck cancer patients through a) enhanced communication between surgeons and pathologists using 3D scanning technology and mixed reality surgery using 3D specimen holograms.

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