

2024 Chief Leadership Course

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Dr. Tessa Stecker Biography:

Facilitator

Dr. Tessa Stecker attended the University of Southern California for her undergraduate and medical education where she developed a passion for health education, serving underserved populations and working with students as a mentor and teacher. She completed her residency at the Kaiser Woodland Hills Family Medicine Residency Program where she served as a chief resident in her last year. Following residency, she split her time between working at the Downtown Women's Center and the Center for Community Health on Skid Row, teaching Introduction to Clinical Medicine at USC, and working at various local community clinics and urgent care centers.

In August 2015, Dr. Stecker relocated to Northern California to help design the Community Medicine Fellowship program. Currently, she is the Program Director for the Kaiser Permanente Northern California Community Medicine Fellowships and Course Director for the KP Northern California Resident Health Policy Elective. Locally, Dr. Stecker serves as a faculty member for the Kaiser Permanente Napa-Solano Family Medicine Residency Program. In addition to overseeing the community medicine fellows, she works closely with medical students and residents completing their community medicine and global health rotations and projects. Her role includes serving as the faculty advisor for the Resident Diversity Council and the JEDI champion within the residency program facilitating both resident and faculty trainings and curriculum development in this area. She recently led a team focused on determining best practices in mentorship, equitable feedback and assessment, and evaluation of DEIA efforts. Her mission is to change the culture of medical education to be more inclusive to serve the needs of an increasingly diverse healthcare workforce and the populations they serve.