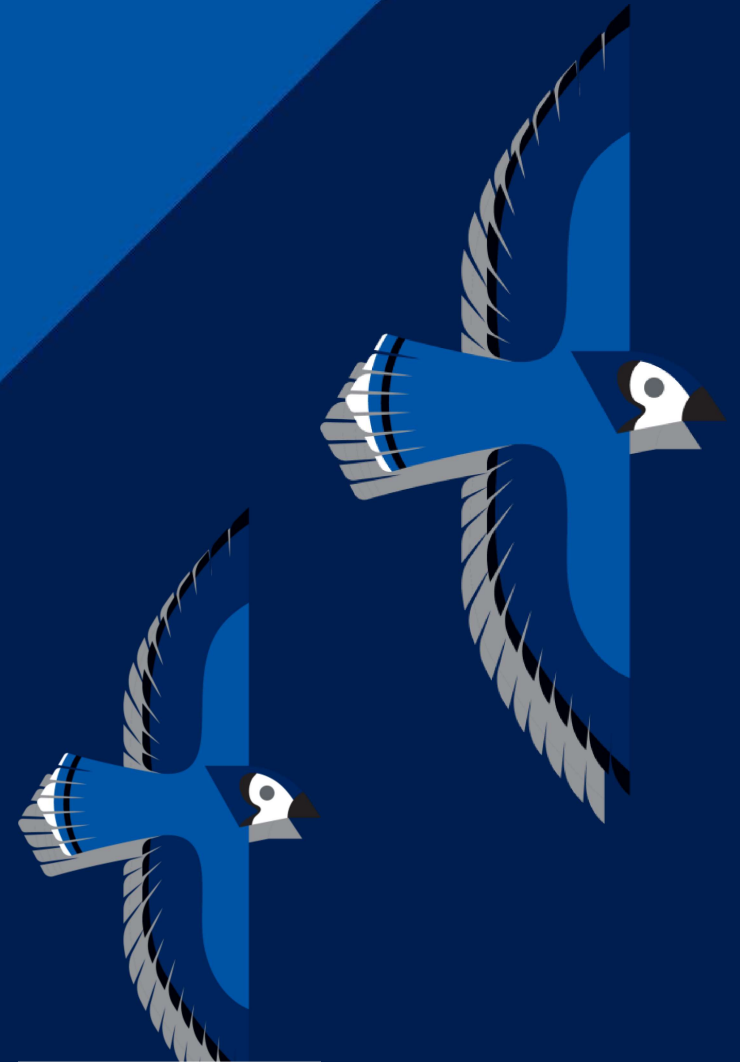


# Family Medicine Faculty

Creighton University School of  
Medicine – Phoenix

2022-2023



# Jeffrey Curtis, MD, MPH



- **Associate Program Director**
- **Creighton Vice Chair of Department of Clinical Research and Public Health**
- **Undergrad:** Brigham Young University
- **Medical School:** Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
- **Additional Degrees:** Master of Public Health, the University of Arizona; Faculty Development Fellowship, the University of Arizona.
- **Practice Interest:** Type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease, prevention, obesity.
- **Interests outside of medicine:** I play drums, hike, ride motorcycles.
- **Best thing(s) about Arizona:** Winter!

# Jenessa Hill, DO



- **Faculty Member**
- **Undergrad:** University of Arizona
- **Medical School:** Edward via College of Osteopathic Medicine, South Carolina
- **Practice Interest:** Academic medicine, women's health and contraception management, pediatric care, urgent care, in-office procedures.
- **Interests outside of medicine:** Love to cook and try new restaurants, play with my dog Opal (French Bulldog), travel to whatever beach I can find, spend time with family and friends.
- **Why did you pick Creighton Phoenix:** I always wanted to work with an underserved population and practice evidence-based medicine. The residency program was a bonus to working at an FQHC. I have enjoyed not only teaching residents but learning from them as well.
- **Best thing(s) about Arizona:** Love the weather and authentic Mexican food!

# Douglas Jones, MD, FAAFP



- **Program Director**
- **Undergrad:** Brigham Young University
- **Medical School:** Wake Forest University School of Medicine
- **Additional Degree:** Faculty Development Fellowship, the University of Arizona.
- **Practice Interest:** Outpatient procedures, hospital medicine, diabetes care.
- **Interests outside of medicine:** Cycling, hiking.
- **Why did you pick Creighton Phoenix:** I love working with the patient population here at the South Central Clinic.
- **Best thing(s) about Arizona:** Warm weather all year.

# Roberta Matern, MD



- **Faculty Member**
- **Undergrad:** Cornell University
- **Medical School:** Mayo Medical School
- **Practice Interest:** Patient education, women's health, couplet care, obstetrics.
- **Interests outside of medicine:** Raising my teenagers, reading, hiking, travel.
- **Why did you pick Creighton Phoenix:** A need for primary care and residency education.
- **Best thing(s) about Arizona:** The hiking.

# Marie Oberst, DO

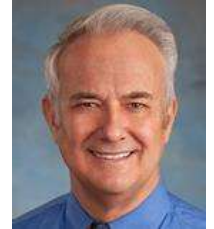


- **Faculty Member**
- **Undergrad:** Loyola University Chicago
- **Medical School:** Midwestern University Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine
- **Practice Interest:** In patient medicine.
- **Interests outside of medicine:** Running, hiking, traveling, hanging out with my dog.
- **Why did you pick Creighton Phoenix:** I picked this job because of the people. I did residency here and the atmosphere and general feel of the program are welcoming.
- **Best thing(s) about Arizona:** Phoenix has wonderful hiking trails and outdoor activities. The food/restaurants here are also fantastic. Best part of Arizona for me is Sedona, beautiful hiking and scenery.

# Edward Paul, MD

- **Faculty Member**
- **Undergrad:** Illinois State University
- **Medical School:** Southern Illinois University School of Medicine
- **Practice Interest:** Teaching medical students and residents; integrative medicine; chronic pain; preventive care.
- **Interests outside of medicine:** I enjoy listening to acoustic music and playing stringed instruments. I enjoy golf when I have the time to play.
- **Why did you pick Creighton Phoenix:** I was a graduate of this program many years ago when it was based at St. Joseph's Hospital, and I have worked with several of the exceptional faculty physicians in the recent past.
- **Best thing(s) about Arizona:** The diversity and beauty of the outdoors across Arizona is extraordinary. Phoenix offers all the things that are great about big cities including sports, recreation, restaurants, and entertainment.

# Rex Ragsdale, MD, MBA



- **Faculty Member**
- **Undergrad:** The University of Evansville
- **Medical School:** St. Louis University
- **Additional Degree:** Masters in Business Administration.
- **Practice Interest:** Clinical informatics, geriatrics, global health, and rural medicine.
- **Interests outside of medicine:** Aviation, agriculture, carpentry, and travel.
- **Why did you pick Creighton Phoenix:** The cohesiveness of the residency leaders and faculty.
- **Best thing(s) about Arizona:** Surrounded by mountains and wide-open spaces!



# Baharak Tabarsi, MD



- **Faculty Member**
- **Undergrad:** University of California, Berkeley
- **Medical School:** Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada
- **Practice Interest:** Quality care metrics, refugee/immigrant/asylee care.
- **Interests outside of medicine:** Drink coffee and go for a walk (preferably at the same time).
- **Why did you pick Creighton Phoenix:** It picked me!
- **Best thing(s) about Arizona:** No natural disasters.

Creighton  
UNIVERSITY

Arizona Health  
Education Alliance

In Partnership with Dignity Health St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center,  
Valleywise Health and District Medical Group