

## Our Experts

**Francis X. Solano Jr., M.D.**

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Francis X. Solano Jr., M.D. is vice president of the [University of Pittsburgh Medical Center's](#) services division and director of the Institute for Performance Improvement.

Dr. Solano has a long and distinguished career as a practicing physician in the Pittsburgh area. He is also currently a clinical professor in the [University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine](#). He is a board member of the [University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine](#) at Magee-Womens Hospital. From 1995 to 1999 he was director of the [University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine](#) osteoporosis and treatment center at Magee-Womens Hospital. Dr. Solano has been instrumental in developing and implementing

clinical guidelines in the UPMC primary care division and in motivating physicians to prospectively track populations of patients with chronic conditions. He has spearheaded efforts to improve the care of diabetic patients in the Community Medicine division. Most recently he was appointed director of the system's Institute for Performance Improvement, which is a system-wide quality oversight organization.

A diplomate of the National Board of Medical Examiners and American Board of Internal Medicine, Dr. Solano has been honored among the "Best Doctors in Pittsburgh" and "Best Doctors on America." He is involved in clinical research at the university in the area of depression.

He has held leadership positions in numerous civic organizations, including the Easter Seals Foundation and Wake-A-Wish Foundation.

Dr. Solano received his medical degree from Hahnemann Medical College and did his internship and residency at UPMC. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Scranton.

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