

Medata Announces New Medical Director

Medata would like to express its gratitude for the tenure of our Medical Director, David Deitz, MD, PhD who has served our Utilization Review Department since its inception. Dr. Deitz will be retiring from this position beginning November 1st, 2023.

Dr. Deitz has proven invaluable as an important member of our management team guiding and directing our efforts in delivering a quality utilization review program. His guidance provided to our clinical and operational staff with his oversight of clinical decision-making aspects of the program has allowed Medata to grow in many areas.

It is with great enthusiasm we introduce our new Medical Director, Zenia Cortes, MD QME, AME, IME who brings a wealth of knowledge in the workers' compensation arena as well as experience with evidence-based medical guidelines (nationally recognized standards of health care), utilization management, quality improvement and other medical management functions. Dr. Cortes is Board Certified American Board of Orthopedic Surgery, General Orthopedics, specializing in Foot & Ankle Reconstruction, and Sports Medicine.

Dr. Cortes certifications and State Board Medical Examiner licensures include:

- Certified California State Qualified Medical Examiner
- Certified California Radiography and Fluoroscopy/X-ray Supervisor and Operator
- MD Licensure
 - California
 - Colorado
 - Florida
 - Nevada
 - New Hampshire
 - Oklahoma
 - Texas



Her experience includes Independent Medical Examinations, Case Management, Workers Compensation Utilization Management and Peer Review. She has served as a Peer Reviewer for several Independent Review and Utilization Management organizations and as Medical Director for UniMed Direct for over 7 years.

Her Medical Director role with Medata will include providing clinical insight and support for the UR Team, oversight of Peer Review Panel including acting as direct resource for assistance to each Peer Advisor, training, addressing performance issues and quality assurance. She will participate in our URAC accreditation with oversight of policies and procedures and clinical contributions to our Quality Management Committee.

Please contact Tori Henson at thenson@medata.com for any further information.