



DR. STEPHEN A. HARRISON
PATIENT
ADVOCACY
FELLOWSHIP

Honoring Legacy, Elevating Patient Advocacy

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A Legacy of Science and Humanity



Col. Stephen A. Harrison , MD, FAASLD
1969 - 2024

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We cannot lose sight of the patients behind the science . Their stories and struggles drive our research and innovation .

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Innovation does not happen in isolation . It requires collaboration, dedication, and a persistent focus on the needs of the community we serve .



Honoring the Family of Dr. Stephen A. Harrison



With the support of Dr. Harrison's family, the Fellowship launches as a tribute to his vision — inspiring patient advocates, amplifying the patient voice, and carrying forward his legacy in liver health.

Courtesy of the Harrison family



Building a Fellowship for Impact

EDUCATION

- Foundations of regulatory science and clinical trial design
- Expert -led sessions with leading voices in liver health

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MENTORSHIP

- Guidance from clinical research, regulatory science, industry, and advocacy leaders
- Personalized support to advance Fellows' goals

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ENGAGEMENT & NETWORKING

- Participation in liver research meetings and industry forums
- Connections with research, policy, industry, and clinical trial communities

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GROUP SUPPORT

- Collaborative network of Fellows
- Diversity of backgrounds and advocacy experience

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Meet the 2025–2026 Fellows

Jennifer Berg (Texas, USA)

Jacki Chen (New Jersey, USA)

Bruce D. Dimmig (Arizona, USA)

Lorrinda Gray-Davis (Texas, USA)

Susan Horava (Ohio, USA)

Marianthi Kavelidou (Massachusetts, USA)

Úna Keightley (Ireland)

Hamed Kheirkhah (California, USA)

Silvana Lesidrenska (Bulgaria)

Kimberly Alice Martinez (Oklahoma, USA)

Pamela S. Miller (Ohio, USA)

Lindsey Ruth Moore (North Carolina, USA)

Julie Peyaut (Canada)

Gabriela Portugal -Bouza (Utah, USA)

Michele M. Radcliffe (California, USA)

Steven Rodrigues (United Kingdom)

Aroosha Sarrafi (California, USA)

Kerry Marie Sivia (Illinois, USA)

Melaine Smith (Kansas, USA)

Jennifer Thorp (Washington, USA)



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Disease Areas Where Fellows Bring Experience

MASLD / MASH

METALD / ALD

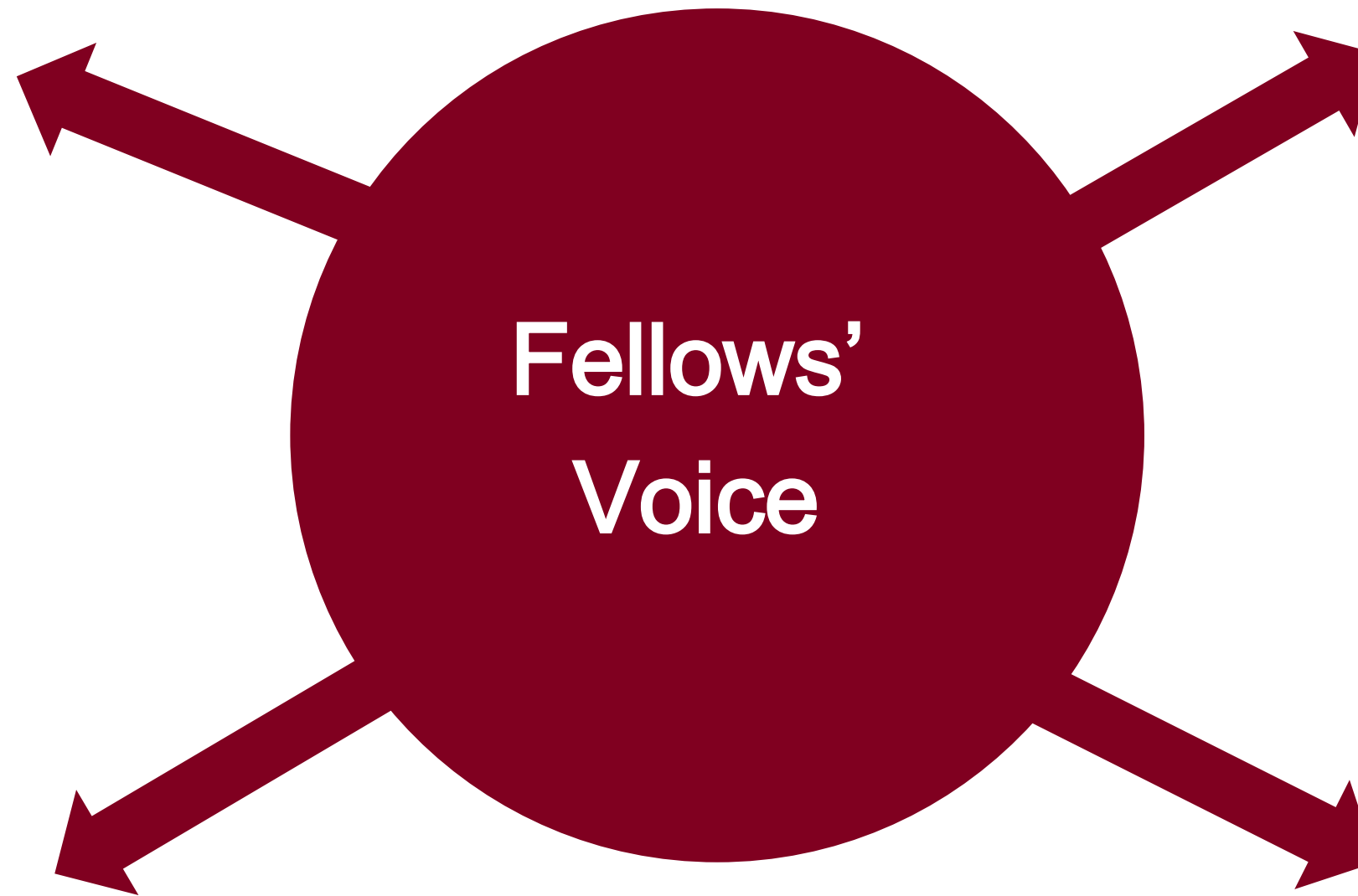
HBV & MASH

CIRRHOSIS

PRE- & POST-LIVER
TRANSPLANTATION



Fellows' Voice Across Regulatory Bodies





Where Fellows Add Value

- **Patient -Centered Trial Design**
Ensure protocols and endpoints reflect outcomes that matter most to patients, increasing trial relevance and enrollment success.
- **Richer Benefit –Risk Assessment**
Integrate real -world patient insights to strengthen evaluations of safety and treatment outcomes.
- **Enhanced Trust and Transparency**
Foster trust with regulators and communities through transparent collaboration with patient advocates.
- **Inclusive Policy and Decision -Making**
Bring diverse patient perspectives into regulatory and clinical frameworks, supporting equity and global relevance.



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Selection Committee



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Fatty Liver Alliance*



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*Co-Founder and CEO
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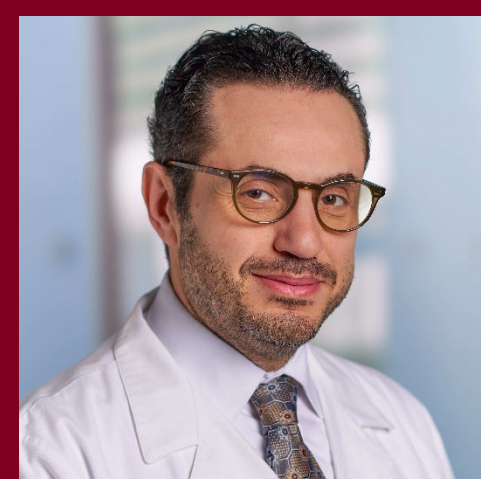
Dr. Fasiha Kanwal



Dr. George A. Makar



Dr. Veronica Miller



Dr. Mazen Nouredin



Dr. Maru Rinella



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Education Partner

The University of California, Berkeley School of Public Health provides educational support that strengthens the program's learning component and enriches Fellows' training experience.

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