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Marlene Taylor PA is a Primary Care Medical Provider with over 35 of experience working in the field of HIV, Hepatitis emphasizing the importance of primary care. She is currently in practice at Ryan Adair and Frederick Douglas Clinics as the PA supervisor of the HIV Department as well as a general medical provider. Previously she was the Director of HIV at Heritage Health Center and has served as Assistant Director of HIV and Addiction HIV as well as a Family Medicine Provider at Ryan Chelsea Clinton Clinic. When she was appointed to the medical staff at the ID Clinic at Montefiore Medical Center in 2011, she treated over 300 patients who had followed her for over 15 years.

Known as one of the top HIV providers in Harlem, NY which was a result of treating patients affected by this epidemic North General Hospital in Central Harlem, where she was on staff at the Special Services Clinic from the late 90's until the hospital closed in 2010.

PA Taylor joined Ryan Chelsea-Clinton 2019, where she immediately dedicated herself to the organization's mission that "health care is a right, not a privilege." Ever since, she has worked tirelessly to provide high-quality care to medically underserved people living with HIV/AIDS as well as other chronic health conditions. Ms. Taylor brings a passion, dedication and enormous expertise to her work that is apparent not only to colleagues and to staff, but also to its patients, who continually recognize her for the quality care she provides and the compassion she extends to all patients. She is consistently commended for the way she listens to patients, and the time that she takes with them during visits. Her patient experience scores consistently rank her in the highest 1% nationally.

After completing her undergraduate degree in Biology at Fordham University Rosehill, her medical training began close to her home in the village of Harlem, where she graduated from the Sophie Davis School of Biomedical Education/Harlem Hospital Program in 1981. She continued her education at Columbia University post baccalaureate program and NY Medical College graduate program in cell biology and anatomy.

She has practiced in several institutions in the NYC area such as Beth Israel Medical Center, Mt Sinai Hospital, Lenox Hill Hospital, and St Luke's/ Roosevelt Hospital. In 2004, she was recruited as a Clinical Scientist by the Virology division of Abbott Laboratories, where she gained invaluable experience, however returned to her passion of treating patients in underserved

communities. She resumed her practice on the medical staff at North General Hospital ID Clinic where she treated over 300 patients as well as ran the Hepatitis C Co-infection clinic.

She is passionate about the importance of education and advocacy, and has been the recipient of various awards and accommodations, Rise Up Prism of Inclusivity Award, The Black Nurses Association Community Service Award 2021, the 2009 Citation from the City of New York-Heritage Health- Communities of Color ,The 2012 City of Mount Vernon – STEM Award, for outstanding women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math , The Harlem Healer Awards, Marshal at the African American Day Parade 2016 ,Grand Marshal at the 2016 Juneteenth Celebration, and the 2017- 25 Most Influential Women in the Bronx among others. She is an the president of the board of COPE- HIV/Hepatitis C organization - The Coalition for Positive Empowerment in Harlem .

She is the Co-founder of The Taylor/Moses Institute for Health professions launched in 2015, geared to preparing students interested in pursuing careers in health care and addressing health disparities in communities of color.

She has been quoted in articles regarding health disparities in the African American Community and is been a frequent guest on the *Healthy Living* segment of WWRL, and was featured as the HIV expert on the World AIDS Day 2012 segment of ABC's "*Here and Now*" dedicated to covering the latest issues, news stories and trends that are impacting the local black community.

She has traveled locally and internationally as a well sought after speaker and is active on various speaker advisories, a preceptor for medical students and continues to educate African Americans, Latinos, Youth and the over 50 population about chronic medical conditions including but not limited to HIV, Hepatitis, Hypertension, Diabetes, etc. and the impact of these devastating diseases.