Mark V. Williams, MD, FACP, MHM is Professor and Chief of the Division of Hospital Medicine at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. Dr. Williams leads one of the largest academic hospitalist programs in the U.S. with > 70 faculty at Northwestern. A Past President of the Society of Hospital Medicine and the Founding Editor of the Journal of Hospital Medicine, he actively promotes the role of hospitalists as leaders in delivery of health care to hospitalized patients. With more than 100 publications including in journals such as JAMA, New England Journal of Medicine, and Annals of Internal Medicine, Dr. Williams’ research focuses on quality improvement, care transitions, teamwork and the role of health literacy in the delivery of health care. Quoted in the NY Times, Wall Street Journal and Consumer Reports, he is a nationally recognized authority on enhancing care delivery at the hospital discharge transition aiming to reduce rehospitalizations. As Principal Investigator for the quality improvement program Project BOOST (Better Outcomes by Optimizing Safe Transitions), he leads dissemination of this program to more than 165 hospitals nationally. Notably, Dr. Williams spent 13 years at the beginning of his career at Grady Memorial Hospital where he directed the Medical Emergency Clinic, developed the Urgent Care Center, and established the first hospitalist program at a public hospital.

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