

Varon Cantrell, MD Chief Medical Officer

Dr. Varon Cantrell became HealthNet's Chief Medical Officer in 2023. In this role he provides clinical leadership for more than 150 physicians, advanced practice nurses, therapists, psychiatrists, dentists and other providers at HealthNet, as well as HealthNet's clinical service lines. He also leads and supports HealthNet's Information Systems, EMR, Data Analytics and Quality teams, including population health management and data security.

Dr. Cantrell joined HealthNet in 2010 as a Primary Care Provider at HealthNet Southwest Health & Dental Center. He provided physician leadership for the opening of HealthNet West Health Center in 2012 and oversaw its dramatic growth, adding services and Providers. Dr. Cantrell became HealthNet's first Primary Care Service Line Physician Leader in 2017, and continues to lead initiatives focused on improving patient access while delivering high quality, efficient care. He served as Provider Co-Leader at HealthNet West Health Center until becoming Associate Medical Director in 2019. Prior to becoming Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Cantrell served as HealthNet's Chief Medical Information Officer for two years.

Dr. Cantrell earned his bachelor's degree biology and chemistry from Saint Joseph's College in Rensselaer, IN and his medical degree is from the Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis, IN. He completed an Internal Medicine/Pediatrics Residency at the University of Cincinnati Department of Internal Medicine Veterans Affairs Hospital, serving as Chief Medical Resident. He is Board Certified in Internal Medicine and Pediatrics.

Dr. Cantrell has served as a Preceptor for Indiana University School of Medicine's Department of Internal Medicine and Pediatrics Residency Program since 2011. He is a member of the American College of Physicians, the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Association for Physicians in Leadership, and is very active in the Indianapolis community. Dr. Cantrell has been married for 21 years and has 5 children.