

Dr. Dominic's Biography

Dr. Oralia Garcia Dominic is a Medical Policy Research Analyst, Chief Medical Officer Organization at Highmark Inc., Pittsburgh, PA. In this role she spearheads the new technology pipeline; and provides content expertise and conducts research and data analyses to help develop and maintain evidence-based coverage guidelines and monitor/assess the medical technology pipeline to anticipate and plan for the evolution of therapies to ensure appropriate benefit adjudication, patient safety and optimized therapy for our customers. Medical technology includes any intervention or service to treat any medical/surgical condition. These technologies may include drugs, devices, procedures and/or gene therapy. Her expertise includes community-based disease (e.g. COVID-19, diabetes, cancer etc) reduction strategies, health disparities, and social determinants of health research. She received PHS grant awards for her health disparities research; and she has published extensively in peer-reviewed journals. She currently is an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Public Health Sciences (PHS) at Penn State College of Medicine (COM), Hershey, PA.

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