

## **Jose L. Massa M.D. Vice President of Medical Affairs - APS Health**



Jose L. Massa, M.D. is responsible for the development and review of scientific content for clinical product development, oversight of medical advisors, maintenance of relationships through managed care organization delegations and medical oversight to the APS Health Medical Staff. As Chairman for both the APS Health Quality Improvement and APS Health Credentialing Committee, he ensures that APS Health delivers care that is evidence based and founded on sound medical best practices that result in patient's improved health outcomes.

Also supports the company's mission and provides the executive leadership team with strategic direction, clinical leadership, and oversight in the areas of program design, implementation, and clinical support to all APS Health departments. Other responsibilities include root cause analysis to identify areas of improvement related to adverse incidents among the entire network and interacts with community services to ensure that services are optimized for patients. A leader in innovation and implementation telepsychiatry within the APS Health network.

Prior to his appointments with APS, Dr. Massa was Chairman for the Utilization Management Department and Chairman of the Institutional Review Board of Hutchings Psychiatric Center at Syracuse New York. He also provided direct supervision to medical students, physicians during psychiatric residency and forensic fellows. Dr. Massa participated in research and published articles in known psychiatric journals.

With a specialty in Psychiatry, Dr. Massa is a member of the American Psychiatric Association. He earned his specialty in Psychiatry at the State University of New York Upstate Medical University with subspecialty training in Forensic Psychiatry through SUNY Upstate Medical University Forensic Psychiatry Fellowship Program. He obtained his Doctorate Degree with Honors in Internal Medicine from UCC School of Medicine and Cum Laude Bachelor of Science from the University of Puerto Rico.

Dr. Massa has provided his clinical leadership services as Medical Director of outpatient psychiatric services in Puerto Rico and is a practicing physician at his private office in Bayamon. He is involved with entities in PR such as ASSMCA to provide clinical support in programs related to the care of chronic and debilitated psychiatric patients with poor psychosocial supports. He is also involved directly with local hospitals to support programs that improve the quality of life for the psychiatrically ill and reduce the gaps in care that may exist in patients that transition through different levels of psychiatric care. He is also known for his collaboration with State and Federal Agencies to support victims of natural disasters. He is a proud father of a young professional who pursues a master's degree in education who is committed to teach English to Spanish speaking communities.