



Accreditation Commissioner Biographical Information

NAME: Va' Nechia Rayford

ROLE ON THE COMMISSION: Commissioner

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EMPLOYER NAME: Emory University

EMPLOYER CITY/STATE: Atlanta, GA

POST HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION (INSTITUTION(S)/DEGREE(S) OR CERTIFICATE(S)):

Master of Divinity, Candler School of Theology at Emory University, 2006

California State University, Long Beach, Bachelor of Arts, 1999

CURRENT POSITION (JOB TITLE AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES):

Emory University Hospital

Director of Spiritual Health and Staff Support

- Oversee the Spiritual Care Department of over 30 employees
 - Manage and facilitate educational curriculum for the Clinical Pastoral Education training program
 - Manage the department budget for the fiscal year
 - Promote and recruit for the educational training program
 - Coordinated interfaith programming and religious services
 - Network with community clergy to meet the patient and family spiritual needs
 - Recruit and hire department staffing
 - Maintain patient and staff consultation data
 - Conduct and participate in management, interdisciplinary, and family care meetings
 - Serve as a member of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Board
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PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:

Manager of CPE/Senior Chaplain – Saint Francis Memorial Hospital, San Francisco, CA

Manager of CPE – Alta Bates Summit Medical Center, Berkeley, CA

OFFICE HELD AND/OR VOLUNTEER POSITIONS WITH ACPE OR OTHER ORGANIZATIONS:

ACPE Accreditation Commissioner 2018-2022

Pacific Region Accreditation Chair 2017-2018

Member of various other workgroups and taskforces within ACPE