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## **Puneeta Sharma, M.D., Chair, Medical Subspecialties & Dir., Provider Performance and Experience, Valley Medical Group**

Dr. Puneeta Sharma is the Chair for Medical Subspecialties and the Director for Provider Performance and Experience at Valley Medical Group.

Dr. Sharma completed her internship and residency in Internal Medicine at NYCH&H/ Lincoln, Bronx NY where she was appointed as a Chief Resident. Post residency, she worked as a hospitalist while serving as the Associate Program Director for Lincoln's large and diverse Internal Medicine Residency Program. While catering to the needs of patients with serious illnesses, she developed passion for taking care of individuals with advanced illnesses. After pursuing Board Certification in Hospice and Palliative Care, she became the Program Director for Lincoln's Joint Commission Certified and ACGME accredited Hospice and Palliative Care Fellowship Program where she trained fellows from diverse training backgrounds. Recognizing the need to take Hospice and Palliative Care in community settings, Dr. Sharma joined Valley 5 years ago and has assumed roles of increasing responsibilities. Raising system wide awareness of Palliative Care since her start, Dr.Sharma expanded Palliative Care services across the Valley continuum in multiple settings. Since 2018, she has been a New Jersey Health Executive Leadership Fellow on improving end of life care. She has also served on New Jersey Hospital Association's Practitioner Orders for life Sustaining Treatment workgroup to improve end of life care for New Jersians. Since 2019, Dr.Sharma has been the Chair of Medical Subspecialties overseeing delivery of Rheumatology, GI, Endocrine, Dermatology, Senior Care, Geriatrics, Rehab, Pulmonary and Critical Care across Valley Health System. She is involved with strategic partnerships both internally and externally with community partners.

Passionate about reframing the experience of health care from both consumer and provider perspective, she pursued Masters in Health Care Management at the Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health. With a relentless appetite for setting up and continuously improving processes, she is currently involved in improving access and provider performance and experience initiatives at Valley.