

Toyin Ajayi, M.D., MPhil Co-founder & CEO, Cityblock



Dr. Toyin Ajayi is co-founder and CEO of Cityblock, a value-based healthcare provider for Medicaid and dually eligible beneficiaries in underserved communities.

Prior to Cityblock, Dr. Ajayi served as Chief Medical Officer of Commonwealth Care Alliance, a nationally renowned integrated health plan and care delivery system for individuals eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid. In this role, she led clinical operations, spearheaded care delivery innovations, and oversaw multi-disciplinary teams of clinicians, community health workers and administrators.

In 2023, Dr. Ajayi was named to Modern Healthcare's [Top Women Leaders in Healthcare](#) list, STAT's STATUS List, and the Aspen Institute's newest class of Henry Crown Fellows. Dr. Ajayi also serves on the Board of Directors of Evolent Health (NYSE: EVH), is a member of the Congressional Budget Office's Health Panel of Health Advisers, and is a co-founder of Coalition Partners, where she invests in and mentors early-stage entrepreneurs. Additionally, she has published and spoken extensively about her work in caring for populations with complex needs, including at TEDMED, NCQA, Oliver Wyman Health Innovation Summit, Techcrunch Disrupt and in the *New England Journal of Medicine* and the *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

Dr. Ajayi received her undergraduate degree from Stanford University, an MPhil from the University of Cambridge and her medical degree, with Distinction in Clinical Practice, from King's College London School of Medicine. Board certified in Family Medicine, Dr. Ajayi completed her residency training at Boston Medical Center and continues to practice primary care with a focus on patients with chronic, complex and end-of-life needs.

About Mandy K. Cohen, M.D., MPH



Dr. Mandy K. Cohen is a prominent healthcare leader, Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and Administrator of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry. As an internal medicine physician, she earned acclaim for her exceptional leadership at the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, particularly during the COVID-19 crisis. Dr. Cohen is known for her commitment to equity, data transparency, and transformed healthcare in North Carolina through innovative initiatives like NCCARE360, the first statewide coordination platform.

Before her CDC role, she served as the Executive Vice President at Aledade and CEO of Aledade Care Solution, focusing on improving care in primary care practices and health centers. With previous roles at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Dr. Cohen was pivotal in the Affordable Care Act policy development and implementation.

Dr. Cohen's achievements include being recognized as one of Modern Healthcare's Top 25 Women Leaders in Healthcare and receiving the Harvard University Leadership in Public Health Practice Award. She is an elected National Academy of Medicine member and an adjunct professor at the Gillings School of Global Public Health at the University of North Carolina.

She was the inaugural speaker at the 2022 Joel M. Levine, M.D. Lectureship at SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University, named in honor of her uncle. Dr. Cohen earned her bachelor's degree from Cornell University, a Doctor of Medicine from Yale School of Medicine, and a Master's in Public Health from Harvard School of Public Health. Her medical training includes a residency in Internal Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital.