



Livestream Q&A Briefing Document

Moderator:	Dr. Samantha Barry, Internal Medicine resident at Virginia Mason
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About the Livestream Q&A

The Q&A will run approximately 15 minutes, allowing for about 8-10 questions and answers in which the resident asks the questions and Dr. Kaplan responds, followed by two or three questions Dr. Kaplan will ask the resident.

Introduction

Dr. Barry: Good morning. My name is Dr. Samantha Barry. I am a resident in internal medicine at Virginia Mason.

I am here in Seattle with Dr. Gary Kaplan, a long-time practicing physician of internal medicine and the chairman and CEO of Virginia Mason Health System. As a young physician at the beginning of my career, it is always helpful to get to know some of the leaders and innovators in the health system and to learn from them. With that, I have some questions for you this morning, Dr. Kaplan.

And to all who are watching, we encourage you to post comments and questions during this livestream event and the team at Virginia Mason will respond to your posts as soon as possible following the livestream.

Questions

- Q1: Why did you come to Virginia Mason?
- Q2: What keeps you here?
- Q3: What do you think makes Virginia Mason special?
- Q4: You completed your internal medicine residency at Virginia Mason. What was it like being a



resident in those days? Was it significantly different from what it's like today?

Q5: You are known for continuing to practice medicine while also being the medical center's CEO. Why have you chosen to serve in both roles, rather than one or the other?

Q6: Can you tell me a bit about Virginia Mason's culture.

Q7: In your time here, what are some of the developments you are most proud of?

Q8: Is there any advice you would give to other physicians who are just starting their careers?

Dr. Kaplan's questions for Dr. Barry:

Q1: So now I'm curious about you, can you share a bit about your background?

Q2: What led you to choose a career in medicine?

Q3: It's important for everyone, including residents, to prioritize their health and well-being. What are some things you do to take care of yourself?

Concluding comments:

Dr. Kaplan: At Virginia Mason, we really value our resident physicians. It's been a while since I was a resident myself, but I haven't forgotten what it's like. You're doing great work and I hope you know how much you are appreciated by all of us at Virginia Mason.

Dr. Barry: Thank you for spending this time with us, Dr. Kaplan.

That concludes our livestream today. We hope you enjoyed the interview. Viewers may leave their questions in the comment section below, right here on Facebook, or you can send us an email at emailvm@VirginiaMason.org.