Bio: Lisa Carter-Bawa, PhD, MPH, APRN, FAAN

Dr. Lisa Carter-Bawa (formerly Carter-Harris) is an experienced behavioral scientist with over two decades of clinical experience as a board-certified nurse practitioner. She has been a member of SBM since 2013 after completing her PhD in nursing science from the University of Louisville. She completed a postdoctoral fellowship in Behavioral Oncology at Indiana University and in 2023, she completed her Master's in Public Health from Yale University, specializing in health informatics.

Recognized for her outstanding contributions, Dr. Carter-Bawa was inducted as a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing in 2018 for her work in patient-clinician communication, particularly in complex cancer screening decisions. Currently serving as the inaugural Director of the Cancer Prevention Precision Control Institute at the Center for Discovery & Innovation at Hackensack Meridian Health, she also holds leadership positions in the Georgetown Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center Consortium as a Co-Leader of the Cancer Prevention & Control Program and Co-Director of Community Outreach & Engagement.

Dr. Carter-Bawa has significantly contributed to cancer research, particularly in the nuanced factors influencing decision-making in lung cancer screening, with a keen interest in understanding the impact of stigma on screening decisions. For the past decade, she has successfully leveraged social media to reach and intervene with lung screening-eligible individuals using tailored digital interventions, and she has a strong equity- and community-focused research program reaching lung screening-eligible individuals upstream prior to their health system engagement to intervene for behavior change. Her work has been continuously funded by NCI over the past decade and she currently is leading 2 R01-funded studies on shared decision-making and lung cancer screening.

SBM is Dr. Carter-Bawa's scientific home where she is an active and engaged member. She has served as Co-Chair and Chair of the Health Decision-Making and Communication SIG, showcasing her commitment to advancing the understanding of health decision-making. Additionally, she has been a member of the Cancer SIG since she was a trainee and contributed her expertise as a co-author of the SBM position statement on the Implementation of Lung Cancer Screening. When called upon for service, she consistently contributes including service as a pre-conference workshop speaker, session moderator, abstract and award reviewer, reflecting her commitment to fostering collaboration within the organization. Her leadership extends beyond SBM, as she serves as the Stigma & Nihilism Task Group Chair of the American Cancer Society's National Lung Cancer Roundtable, contributing to the broader landscape of cancer research.