

Luis Padilla, MD, FAAFP

Dr. Luis Padilla was appointed Associate Administrator for the Bureau of Health Workforce in May 2016 and previously served as Deputy Associate Administrator. He also serves as Director of the National Health Service Corps.

Prior to joining BHW, Dr. Padilla was senior health policy advisor to the CEO of Unity Health Care in Washington, D.C., a federally qualified health center network with over 100,000 patients. He also served as Unity's research director and sought academic partnerships with an emphasis on community-based participatory research.

A committed advocate for the underserved, Dr. Padilla is a former NHSC Scholar who completed his service at Upper Cardozo Health Center, where he became the medical director. He was also appointed to the National Advisory Council of the NHSC from 2007 to 2010.

A board certified family physician, Dr. Padilla received a Bachelor of Arts in philosophy and a Bachelor of Science in biology from the University of California at Irvine. He earned his medical degree from Wake Forest School of Medicine and completed his family medicine residency at Brown University.