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Dr. Monica Verduzco-Gutierrez is an accomplished academic Physiatrist and Professor and Distinguished Chair of the Department of Rehabilitation Medicine at the Long School of Medicine at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. She is also the Medical Director of Critical Illness Recovery and Neuro Rehabilitation at Warm Springs Rehabilitation Hospitals in San Antonio and Chief of the Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation service line at University Health Hospital system. She is a fellow member of the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, as well as on the board of trustees of the Association of Academic Physiatrists.

Dr. Gutierrez excitedly moved to San Antonio to lead the distinguished Department of Rehabilitation Medicine in 2020. Her area of clinical expertise is the care of patients with traumatic brain injury, stroke rehabilitation, interventional spasticity management, and now post-acute sequelae of SARS-CoV-2 (PASC). During the COVID-19 pandemic, she has developed two Post-COVID Recovery Clinics to aid in the rehabilitative recovery of patients with functional, mobility, and cognitive deficits after infection with COVID-19. She has over 100 publications in these areas, as well as topics related to health equity and inclusion. She is also a sub-investigator in the NIH RECOVER trial through her institution, which is one of 17 hubs in the country to be part of the initiative to study Long COVID.