

Tomás A. Magaña '82

Tomás A. Magaña, MD, MA, FAAP, is a physician, program director, educator, and advocate dedicated to improving care and health outcomes for the country's most vulnerable children. Dr. Magaña is a board-certified pediatrician with expertise in the care of vulnerable children and adolescents, including those impacted by the juvenile justice and foster care systems, immigration, and community violence. He is a Lead Physician in the Department of School Based Health Centers at La Clínica de La Raza, Inc., where he serves the complex medical needs of diverse youth from Alameda County. He is also Assistant Professor/Medical Director in the Masters Physician Assistant Department at Samuel Merritt University and an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of California, San Francisco. Previously, Dr. Magaña was a member of the Division of Adolescent Medicine at UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland. He served as Medical Director of Alameda County's Juvenile Justice Center and attending physician at the hospital-based Teen Clinic and Youth Uprising School Based Health Center in East Oakland, CA. Dr. Magaña is a leading expert in designing and implementing health workforce pipeline programs for youth and young adults. As a Principal Investigator at the Public Health Institute in Oakland, CA, Dr. Magaña is Founding Director of the award-winning FACES for the Future Coalition, a collaborative of national programs designed to prepare disadvantaged youth for entry into college and careers in the health professions. Dr. Magaña is a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, a Commissioner of First 5 Alameda County, and has served on several regional and national advisory boards focusing on pediatric health issues, healthcare workforce development, and medical education. He also has served on the Boards of several nonprofit organizations, including Safe Passages, MEDICC (Medical Education Cooperation with Cuba), Seva Foundation, Vesper Society, and Amigos de las Americas. Dr. Magaña is an alumnus of San Francisco University High School (Class of '82). He received his undergraduate degree from Cornell University, his Masters degree from U.C. Berkeley, and his medical degree from the University of California San Francisco School of Medicine. He completed his pediatric residency at UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland. Dr. Magaña is a first-generation college graduate and has dedicated much of his career to serving underserved communities. He has a passion for programs that foster youth leadership, wellness, and professional development. Dr. Magaña has been happily married to his loving partner, Leticia, for 30 years, and he is the proud father of two extraordinary sons, Joaquín and Elías.