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Dr. Peter Winkelstein is a distinguished physician scientist and healthcare executive and a leader in the field of healthcare informatics and pediatrics. He currently serves as the Executive Director of the Institute for Healthcare Informatics at the University at Buffalo (UB) and Chief Medical Information Officer at UBMD. He is a Professor of Clinical Pediatrics at the UB's Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences.



Dr. Winkelstein's academic journey began with a B.S. in Physics and Astronomy from the University of Rochester, followed by an M.S. in Astronomy from Stony Brook University. He then pursued his M.D. from UB, completed his residency in Pediatrics at the Children's Hospital of Buffalo, and later earned an M.B.A. from UB. He has served as Chief of General Pediatrics for the UB Department of Pediatrics and as President of the Medical/Dental Staff at Kaleida Health. He was also Vice President and Chief Medical Information Officer at Kaleida Health for over 10 years.

Dr. Winkelstein is board certified in Pediatrics and has been recognized with numerous awards, including the Buffalo 612' C-Level Executive Honoree and the Buffalo Business First Healthcare 50. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and holds certifications in leadership coaching and medical staff leadership.

Throughout his career, Dr. Winkelstein has been dedicated to advancing healthcare through technology and education. He has published extensively in peer-reviewed journals and has been an invited speaker at national and regional conferences. His research interests include the impact of technology on healthcare burnout and the ethical challenges of electronic health records in clinical medicine.

Dr. Winkelstein is a certified leadership coach, having completed his certification at the Center for Leadership and Organizational Effectiveness at UB. His coaching practice focuses on motivated healthcare leaders, believing that leadership coaching is a powerful tool for advancing the careers of such leaders. His coaching encourages self-reflection and personal growth, helping leaders to understand their strengths and areas for improvement. Dr. Winkelstein's coaching philosophy is rooted in his extensive experience in healthcare leadership, emphasizing the importance of data-driven decision-making, ethical practices, and fostering a culture of continuous improvement.

In addition to his professional achievements, Dr. Winkelstein is actively involved in community service. He has served on the boards of various organizations, including the Irish Classical Theatre and Kaleida Health. He is also the founder of The Myositis Association Upstate New York Myositis Support Group.