## COLLEGE OF NURSING ED&I SPEAKER SERIES

## EQUITY NOW: LEVERAGING INFLUENCE FOR CHANGE

Dr. Karim-Rhoades will share her journey into nursing and leadership as well as how she leverages influence and lived experience as a BIPOC woman to create systemic change within a healthcare system. Thus, imparting to attendees the importance of DEI and sharing implemented strategies as an example of how representation can transform the health of communities.





## Friday, Oct. 28, 2022 11 am - 12 pm HSIB Room 306

SPEAKER : Walidah Karim-Rhoades, CNM, FNP Nurse-Midwife & Executive Director

## Zoom Link:

https://arizona.zoom.us/meeting/register/t Zcvc--qqDwtHdUTZ2rRwzsdE8LItCr9yO3X

Walidah Karim-Rhoades, CNM, FNP is a nurse-midwife and the executive director of primary care and women's health for the Cone Health system in North Carolina. She received her bachelor's and master's in nursing from the University of Arizona and a Doctor of Nursing practice from the University of North Carolina Greensboro.

Dr. Karim-Rhoades has experience with providing care for birthing people with high-risk conditions and has been instrumental in developing programs to address and identify those greatly impacted by disparate maternal health conditions. One of her major achievements included leading a team in the development of a two-story MedCenter for Women, a one-stop health facility with services dedicated to addressing the totality of the individual, including mental health and a food market to help families with food needs.

In addition to her work with Cone Health, she is the board president for the Guilford County Infant Mortality Coalition, Every Baby Guilford, and she has also served as co-chair for the North Carolina Perinatal System of Care Task Force.

