Staci Bush, PA is a Senior Director of U.S. Medical Affairs at Gilead Sciences. Staci is a patient focused advocate who is known for her work in HIV treatment, prevention, and public health strategies. She has been pivotal in launching all 3 HIV Pre-Exposure Prevention (PrEP) products on the market in her leadership roles for both ViiV Healthcare and Gilead Sciences, where she held multiple US and ex-US roles over 20 years. As a relationship-savvy leader, she has built an array of alliances between medical professionals and researchers, domestic and international governments, advocates, and allies, and the CDC and pharmaceutical companies. Her efforts in the HIV arena have created an indelible mark on HIV prevention through pinpoint messaging, scientific research, and engaging dialogue. She fosters a global connectedness extending beyond the pharmaceutical industry through her passion for helping the most vulnerable people.

A few notable accomplishments include:

- Presided over a 523% increase in US PrEP utilization, before a sales team, which correlated to a 18% drop in HIV infections in the US from 2012-2016.
- Creation of a digital health implementation campaign in South Africa, <u>MENSTAR</u>, through a partnership with PEPFAR (United States President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief), the Elton John Foundation, and others.
- Published data that influenced \$200M in funding from CDC for AIDS service organizations.
- Member of team who won best launch award for integrated health awareness campaign, HealthySexuals.

Staci practiced HIV and adolescent medicine at Howard Brown Health Center, culminating in her coauthoring in 2008 the adolescent chapter of The Fenway Guide to Lesbian, Gay, Transgender and Bisexual Medicine, the first comprehensive LGBTQ medical book. She has been a Medical Scientist at Gilead and Monogram Biosciences, and was the HIV Director at Clinical Care Options. Her research interests include the differences in utilization of prevention modalities across age, race, gender, and geography lines.

## **Education and Background**

Staci received her Bachelor of Science in Physician Assistant from Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science in Los Angeles, a historically black university, as well as, a Bachelor of Art from the University of California, Berkeley. Prior to medicine, Staci was a high school teacher, baker, and host of a television show.

## **Personal Interests**

Staci recently took a sabbatical to be a <u>#badassmom</u>, which garnered a following of over 800,000 people on LinkedIn. During that time, she enjoyed baking with her 7-year old daughter, renovating houses, playing pickleball, and studying Spanish.