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Roland Anglin, Ash Sehgal join Policy Matters board

This month, Policy Matters Ohio welcomed Dr. Roland Anglin, Ph.D. and Dr. Ashwini Sehgal, M.D. to its board of directors.

Anglin is the recently-appointed dean of the Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State University. Sehgal is the Duncan Neuhauser Professor of Community Health Improvement and co-director of Center for Reducing Health Disparities. Policy Matters Executive Director Amy Hanauer said the organization was drawn to Anglin and Sehgal's rigorous academic backgrounds and deep commitments to social justice.

"Roland and Ash are great additions to our leadership at Policy Matters," she said. "Roland is a community development expert who views his work through an equity lens. Ash is a pioneer in studying and fighting racial and economic health disparities. Both bring important perspectives that will inform our work and make it stronger."

Before coming to Cleveland State University this year, Anglin was the senior advisor to the chancellor of Rutgers University-Newark and director of the Joseph C. Cornwall Center for Metropolitan Studies. He started his academic career at Rutgers University in the late 1980s. He also worked at the Ford Foundation as deputy director for community and resource development and at the Structured Employment Economic Development Corporation as senior vice president responsible for building the capacity of community-based housing organizations in 23 cities.

"Policy Matters is well-regarded for carefully analyzing key policy challenges facing the state," Anglin said. "I look forward to contributing to the institution's mission as a member of the board."

Sehgal serves as the principal investigator of a \$10 million project grant funded by the National Institutes of Health to understand and address health disparities related to hypertension and kidney disease in Cleveland. He received a national teaching award from the American Medical Student Association for developing an innovative course on medical activism. From 2006-2012, he was co-medical director of the City of Cleveland Department of Public Health. In addition to his work at Case, Sehgal, is a nephrologist at MetroHealth Medicaid Center.

"I am eager to help Policy Matters become more involved in health and health care issues as a way to promote its mission of making Ohio a more sustainable, vibrant and prosperous state for everyone," Sehgal said.

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