

Velocity Clinical Research extends its Metric partnership with the appointment of Shayne Ladak as Principal Investigator, New Mexico

Building on a growing retained partnership, Metric have successfully placed Shayne Ladak as Principal Investigator at Velocity Clinical Research, further strengthening the clinical leadership across one of the world's leading clinical trial site networks.

New York, October 2026 – Shayne joins Velocity Clinical Research from IMA Clinical Research, where he served as Principal Investigator, bringing a distinguished career in clinical medicine and research to his new role. Alongside his work in clinical trials, Shayne currently serves as Medical Director at La Vida Llena and has held the position of National Medical Director at Curana Health for seven years. This breadth of senior medical leadership experience that makes him an exceptional addition to the Velocity team.

Velocity Clinical Research is one of the largest and most respected clinical trial site organizations in the world, with a growing network of sites dedicated to connecting patients with potentially life-changing treatments across a broad range of therapeutic areas. Shayne's appointment represents the second Principal Investigator placement Metric have delivered for Velocity under their partnership, underlining the strength of the relationship between the two organizations and their shared commitment to securing clinical leaders of the highest caliber across Velocity's expanding national network.

The search was led by Oli Oldham at Metric Bio.

Of the process, Shayne Ladak said: "Oli is an exceptional recruiter who distinguishes himself through his professionalism, responsiveness, integrity, and genuine commitment to finding the right fit, not simply filling a position. From the outset, he took the time to understand my clinical and research background, professional goals, and what I was looking for in the next stage of my career. What I have appreciated most is the personal investment he brings to the recruitment process. Navigating a career transition at the physician-scientist level can be complex, and Oli made the process considerably more focused, efficient, and encouraging. Oli represents what an outstanding executive recruiter should be: knowledgeable, trustworthy, highly engaged, and genuinely interested in the success of the people he represents. I would recommend him without hesitation to physicians, scientists, and senior healthcare professionals considering their next career opportunity."

Speaking of the partnership, Heather Schnepf, Manager of Talent Acquisition at Velocity Clinical Research, commented: "Metric was a trusted partner during our search. They provided strong communication, quality candidates, and a collaborative approach that helped make the hiring process smooth and efficient. We truly valued the partnership."

Speaking of the placement, Oli Oldham commented: "Placing a physician-scientist of Shayne's caliber requires a genuine understanding of the clinical research landscape and a real investment in getting to know the individual behind the CV. Shayne's experience across clinical trials, national medical leadership, and active practice makes him an outstanding fit for Velocity's New Mexico site. It is a further reflection of the partnership we have built with Velocity and the confidence they place in Metric Bio to identify and secure the right leaders for their network."

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