

Kevin B. Johnson, MD, MS

Media and Speaker Press Kit



At a glance

Current roles: David L. Cohen University Professor at the University of Pennsylvania; Vice President for Applied Clinical Informatics at Penn Medicine; Director, AI for Ambulatory Care Innovation Lab.

Expertise: Clinical informatics, artificial intelligence in healthcare, digital health, healthcare transformation, technology leadership, and health equity.

Background: Pediatrician, informatician, researcher, executive leader, author, documentary producer, and podcast host.

Availability: Interviews, podcasts, keynote conversations, panels, commentary, and expert source requests.

Professional overview

Kevin B. Johnson, MD, MS is a physician, biomedical informatician, and health technology leader whose work connects clinical care, artificial intelligence, and public understanding. He has led large-scale health information technology transformation, built tools that improve care delivery, and now leads research on AI-supported ambulatory care.

Selected credentials

Education	Selected recognition
MD, Johns Hopkins University MS, Medical Informatics, Stanford University BS, Biology with Honors, Dickinson College	Member, National Academy of Medicine NIH Director's Pioneer Award recipient Fellow, ACMI, AMIA, IAHSI, and AIMBE

Biography

Kevin B. Johnson, MD, MS is the David L. Cohen University Professor of Biomedical Informatics, Computer Science, Pediatrics, and Science Communication at the University of Pennsylvania, and Vice President for Applied Clinical Informatics at Penn Medicine. He earned his MD from Johns Hopkins University and an MS in Medical Informatics from Stanford University. Prior to joining Penn, Dr. Johnson served as Chair of Biomedical Informatics and Chief Informatics Officer at Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

An internationally recognized leader in clinical informatics, Dr. Johnson pioneered the use of text messaging for behavior change and developed early electronic documentation and e-prescribing systems that transformed care delivery. At Penn, he directs the Artificial Intelligence for Ambulatory Care Innovation Lab, advancing AI to reimagine the clinical encounter.

Dr. Johnson has authored more than 200 publications and is a member of the National Academy of Medicine and a fellow of the American College of Medical Informatics, the International Academy of Health Sciences Informatics, and the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering. He also produces documentaries and a podcast to engage public audiences in informatics and STEMM.

Interview and commentary areas

- How artificial intelligence can improve, and complicate, the clinical encounter
- Ambient AI, clinical documentation, patient-clinician communication, and safety
- Healthcare digital transformation and leading change in complex institutions
- Health equity, public trust, and responsible technology design
- The evolution of biomedical informatics and the future of primary care
- Career pathways and mentorship in medicine, technology, and science communication

Selected career highlights

- Vice President for Applied Clinical Informatics at Penn Medicine and director of the AI for Ambulatory Care Innovation Lab.
- Former Chief Informatics Officer and Senior Vice President for Health Information Technology at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, where he led a 400-person organization supporting an Epic-based health system.
- Author of 200-plus publications, books and chapters; producer and director of the feature documentary No Matter Where; host of Informatics in the Round.
- National leadership and governance service across health information technology, pediatric informatics, and responsible AI.

Media assets

This package includes two high-resolution portrait photographs and background documents to support accurate coverage.

Asset	File	Recommended use
Outdoor portrait	Images/Kevin_B_Johnson_Outdoor_Portrait.jpg	Features, profiles, event listings
Indoor portrait	Images/Kevin_B_Johnson_Indoor_Portrait.jpg	Expert commentary, institutional coverage
Short biography	Background_Materials/Kevin_B_Johnson_250_Word_Bio.docx	Event programs, articles, introductions
One-page CV	Background_Materials/Kevin_Johnson_One_Page_CV.docx	Speaker and board background
Complete CV	Background_Materials/Kevin_Johnson_Full_CV.docx	Detailed background and verification

Additional Contact Information

- Speaker's booking link: <https://www.leighbureau.com/speakers/kjohnson>
- Social Media:
 - Instagram: @kevinjohnson1061;
 - LinkedIn: [linkedin.com/in/drkevinbjohnson1023](https://www.linkedin.com/in/drkevinbjohnson1023)
 - Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kevin_B._Johnson
- Websites:
 - <https://www.kevinbjohnsonmd.net/>
 - <https://www.med.upenn.edu/kbjohnsonlab/>
- selected media appearances and articles,

Selection	Outlet and date
AI and its Effects on Health Care and Clinical Practice	ABIM Foundation Forum, 2023 · Recorded panel
All I want for the New Year is a chance to give blood	The Philadelphia Inquirer, December 27, 2022 · Authored commentary
Kevin Johnson Gives Juneteenth Address	Penn Engineering, June 16, 2023 · Article and recorded address

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