



## Julio Ramirez, MD, FACP

Dr. Ramirez is the Chief Research Scientist at the Norton Healthcare Infectious Disease Institute and a Fellow in the American College of Physicians.

Prior to joining Norton Healthcare, he served as the Chief of the Division of Infectious Diseases, Professor of Medicine, and Director of the Infectious Diseases Fellowship Training Program at the University of Louisville School of Medicine in Louisville, Kentucky. Dr. Ramirez received his medical degree and internal medicine training at La Plata National University School of Medical

Science in Argentina. He trained in critical care medicine at the National Institute of Respiratory Diseases and Thoracic Surgery at the University of Chile; completed a residency in internal medicine at Lincoln Medical Center, New York Medical College; and a fellowship in infectious diseases at the University of Louisville School of Medicine. He is board certified in internal medicine and holds subspecialty certification in infectious diseases.

Dr. Ramirez's areas of clinical and translational research include pneumonia, influenza, and emerging respiratory pathogens. Dr. Ramirez's research activities are currently funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Department of Defense (DOD) and the National Institute of Health (NIH). He has more than 200 publications in journals such as *Annals of Internal Medicine*, *Archives of Internal Medicine*, *Clinical Infectious Diseases*, and *Chest*. He is also a reviewer for several journals including the *New England Journal of Medicine* and *Annals of Internal Medicine*. Dr. Ramirez is currently the Editor-in-Chief of the University of Louisville Journal Respiratory Infections and the Section Editor on community-acquired pneumonia for the evidence-based clinical resource up-to-date.

Dr. Ramirez serves as the President of the International Respiratory Infections Society and leads the Community-Acquired Pneumonia Organization (CAPO). He has served as a member of the American Thoracic Society (ATS) Committee for the development of national guidelines for management of community-acquired pneumonia, and more recently, on the ATS International Task Force on COVID-19 that published the new guidelines for management of COVID-19 ([ATS COVID-19 Guidelines](#)). He also served as a member of the Food and Drug Administration advisory committee for the approval of anti-infective drugs. Dr. Ramirez is the recipient of the 2013 European Respiratory Society Presidential Award in recognition of his outstanding contribution to research in the field of respiratory infections.