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Darra Edwards is the Director of Pharmacy Services at Southern Regional Medical Center in Riverdale, Georgia. As a healthcare professional and researcher for more than 20 years, Darra is experienced in creating alignment between large hospital systems, physicians, senior leadership, and community resources to increase access to quality care and promote health equity in complex disenfranchised communities. In her previous leadership and clinical roles at Wellstar Cobb Hospital, she obtained grant funding from foundation, state, and federal sources to implement continuity of care programs that reduced overutilization of emergency services for pediatric asthma patients, reduced readmission rates for patients with chronic heart failure and COPD, and increased medication access to uninsured, low-income patients.

For the past two years, Darra has been at the forefront of coordinating and leading efforts to increase COVID-19 vaccination rates and cultivating community coalitions with Clayton County Public Schools, the Department of Public Health, and Clayton State University to improve health outcomes for Clayton County residents.