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Dr. Davidson is an Associate Professor of Surgery and Adjunct Associate Professor in Health Systems and Population Health in the UW School of Public Health. She is the Section Chief of Emergency General Surgery at the University of Washington Medical Center and Chief of Staff and Assistant Dean for Faculty Development in the Office of Faculty Affairs. Her research focuses on pragmatic clinical trials to better understand how we can improve patient-centered health outcomes especially for those who are at higher risk for worse outcomes in our healthcare system.

Dr. Davidson has received funding from NIH, CMS, PCORI, and AHRQ, and directed several RCTs including the PCORI for appendicitis, Comparing Outcomes of Drugs and Appendectomy (CODA) trial and the Comparison of Surgery and Medicine on the Impact of Diverticulitis (COSMID) Trial. She is the PI of an AHRQ funded cluster, pragmatic, randomized trial focused testing interventions to improve care transitions from hospitals to skilled nursing facilities. She is a co-PI for a PCORI national implementation program focused on supporting decision making for appendicitis care (TRIAD). Dr Davidson serves as a mentor to the NIDDK T32 research fellows. Giana has served on the Board of several nonprofits, including The Aurora Commons, a Seattle area nonprofit focused on harm reduction interventions and supporting programs re-envisioning health care delivery for the unhoused community. Despite being rejected from the Seattle Master Gardeners Foundation twice now, she does produce a solidly medium fall harvest. On most weekends you can find Giana on the sidelines of one of the tweens sporting events, in her pottery studio, urban farm, or escaping to the surrounding PNW mountains, or Whidbey Island.

Dr. Davidson is an NIH investigator examining patient reported outcomes in diverticulitis management and serves as a mentor to the NIDDK T32 research fellows at SORCE. Giana has been involved in several local nonprofits and is currently the Vice Chair of the Board of Directors for The Aurora Commons, a Seattle area nonprofit focused on harm reduction interventions and focuses on supporting programs re-envisioning health care delivery for the unhoused community in King County.