

## **Patrick D. Smith - Bio**

Patrick Smith, BSN, RN is a public health nurse who currently works at Fenway Health in Boston, Massachusetts. In this position he manages and supports clients with acute illnesses and chronic conditions such as HIV/AIDS, diabetes, hypertension, and substance abuse. He also supports institutional process improvement through workgroup participation and case conferencing.

As a Fulbright awardee, Patrick worked with Partners in Health in Lesotho where he developed and implemented a mixed-methods study of community health workers' (CHW) impact on the accessibility and quality of healthcare to HIV and tuberculosis patients. This culminated in the authorship of a 30,000-word report to support advocacy and national CHW policy improvement. After Patrick completed his Fulbright grant, he stayed and continued to work with Partners in Health.

Patrick is interested in health policy to improve health for the world's most vulnerable.