We are featuring Chadwick alumna Anita Sircar, MD, MPH, DTM&H for today's #FrontlineFriday.

Anita Sircar graduated from Chadwick School in 1992. She attended UCLA and earned her bachelor's degree in English. Anita completed her MD and Masters in Public Health at St. George's University School of Medicine and went on to pursue a Diploma in Tropical Medicine and Hygiene.

Anita completed her fellowship in infectious diseases at UCLA-Cedars Sinai and then went on to work with Doctors Without Borders in South Sudan in refugee health. She joined the CDC in 2015 as an Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer in the Centers for Global Health where she was deployed to Guinea, West Africa for the Ebola response in 2015, where Anita worked alongside her sister Kanta Sircar ('91), who is an epidemiologist at the CDC in the US Public Health Service.

During her time at CDC, Anita was deployed to several different countries for public health responses including Angola for Yellow Fever and Haiti. She was deployed to several other countries including Chad, Suriname and Bangladesh during her time there.

Anita moved back to Rolling Hills a year and a half ago and has been working as an infectious disease consultant in Providence Little Company Mary Torrance and San Pedro as well as Torrance Memorial Hospital. She is currently Task Force Lead for the COVID pandemic response in Providence Little Company of Mary.

Interestingly, she works alongside many Chadwick alumni at the hospital including Andrew Werts ('92), Dr. Shaun Chandran ('97), Dr. Matin Hemmat ('03), Dr. Steve Kwon ('94), Dr. Tim Lesser ('92) and Dr. Raj Mittal ('95) which makes going to work in the hospital like one big alumni reunion!

Two pieces of advice Dr. Sircar gives to the Chadwick alumni community:

- 1. Stay home during the quarantine
- 2. Wash your hands a lot!

This will help protect you, your friends and your family!

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