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Earlier, Dhawan held faculty positions at the University of Western Ontario and the University of Connecticut teaching health economics. Throughout his career, he has developed a wealth of experience in dealing with reimbursement and access issues with various health technology assessment agencies around the globe. Dhawan has authored over 50 abstracts, posters and publications in health economics and outcomes research.

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