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Professional Employment

Associate Dean of Clinical Resources

October 2021 - Present

Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine

Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dothan, Alabama

- Direct responsibility to develop, implement, and provide oversight for the clinical training of 3rd and 4th year medical students
- Direct responsibility and supervision of the Clinical Resources Director and staff
- Direct responsibility, supervision, training, and recruitment of Medical Education Directors and Preceptors
- Direct responsibility, supervision, training, and recruitment of Clinical Regional Coordinators
- Work Directly with Dean's council on Faculty Recruitment and Retention
- Assist Associate Dean of GME to develop opportunities
- Member of Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation Team (COCA) to include five- year reaccreditation and class size expansion
- Provide didactic learning lectures, lab instruction, proctoring, grading and mentorship for 1st and 2nd year Medical students
- Primary Contact Person for GME Osteopathic Recognition
- Primary Clinical Team member for NRMP Match week on campus
- Member of Pre-Clinical Competency Committee
- Member of Clinical Competency Committee
- Team Leader Strategic Planning (Core sites/GME)
- Chairman Affiliate Clinical Promotions Subcommittee
- Member Compliance and Policy Committee
- Admissions Interviewer and committee member
- Electives Clerkship Chair
- Hospice Clerkship Chair
- Gastroenterology Co-course Director
- Co-chair International Health elective
- Primary Clinical Skills (PCS) lab instruction
- Member Residency and Hospital Expo Committee
- Member Alabama Research Consortium Committee
- Member Emergency response team (BERT) committee
- Faculty co-sponsor Jewish Medical Student Association
- Faculty advisor for Student Osteopathic Medical Association

Assistant Dean of Clinical Sciences and Clinical Resources
Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine
Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dothan, Alabama

June 2018- October 2021

- Assist Associate Dean to Develop, implement and provide oversight of the clinical training for 3rd and 4th year medical students
- Provide didactic learning lectures, lab instruction, proctoring, grading and mentorship for 1st and 2nd year Medical students
- Member of Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation Team (COCA) to include five- year reaccreditation and class size expansion
- Develop Graduate Medical Education opportunities within the region
- Primary Contact Person for GME Osteopathic Recognition
- Primary Team member for NRMP Match week on campus
- Member of PYA consulting group Steering Committee and Workgroup to develop program expansion and branch campus expansion
- Admissions Interviewer and committee member
- Clinical Competency Committee
- Supervision, Training, and Recruitment of Medical Education Directors and Preceptors
- Assist Associate Dean with supervision and training of Regional Coordinators
- Gastroenterology Co-course Director
- OPP Co-course Director to include didactics and lab instruction
- Primary Clinical Skills (PCS) lab instruction
- Electives Clerkship Chair
- FQHC Clerkship Chair 2019
- Team Leader Strategic Plan Summit 2020 (Core sites/GME)
- Task Force for Credentials Approval Process (C360)
- Task Force for Preceptor Evaluation Form Review
- Task Force for Clinical Instructor Promotions and Advancement
- Task Force for Research Development
- Task Force International Medicine Curriculum
- Task Force for Clinical Forensic Medicine
- Task Force for RVU Productivity Development
- Member Alabama Research Consortium Committee
- Member Emergency response team (BERT) committee
- Developed virtual Core site didactic program and training modules
- Assist with Faculty Recruitment
- Faculty co-sponsor Jewish Medical Student Association
- Faculty advisor for Student Osteopathic Medical Association
- Member Residency and Hospital Expo Committee

Medical Education Director

August 2014-October 2021

Tallahassee Core Site

Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dothan, Alabama

- Develop, implement and provide oversight of the clinical training for 3rd and 4th year medical students in Tallahassee
- Recruit, credential and collaborate with over 150 preceptors
- Provide counseling and problem solving for student and/or preceptor issues at core site
- Provide direct supervision of Tallahassee Core Site Coordinator
- Develop network with all local health care entities within a 50-mile radius to include Hospitals, Physician clinics, FQHC and Professional Organizations
- Initiated Development of a relationship with VA clinic to provide student clerkships throughout Southeast Division
- Promote and facilitate student political activism at both local and national levels
- Promote and participate with students in variety of community service projects

Hospitalist Physician

March 2020 - Present

Envision Physician Services, Tallahassee, Florida

- Provide acute care hospitalist services (PRN)

Internal Medicine Physician

February 2008 – June 2018

Capital Regional Medical Group, Tallahassee, Florida

- Managed by HCA Physician Services
- Traditional Internal Medicine primary care practice within clinic, hospital and rehab settings
- Established secondary office
- Supervision of multiple ARNP's

Internal Medicine Physician

November 1997 – February 2008

Medical Group of North Florida, Tallahassee, Florida

- Traditional Internal Medicine private practice within a multi-specialty group

Internal Medicine Physician

July 1995 – November 1997

North Florida Medical Centers, Madison, Florida

- Traditional Internal Medicine and Urgent Care for an underserved Medicaid and sliding fee community
- Medical Director (2 offices/10 providers)
- National Health Service Corp Scholar

Licensure

Alabama Osteopathic Physician DO 1801 (active)

Florida Osteopathic Physician OS 0006976 (active)

Pennsylvania Osteopathic Physician OS 008346L (inactive)

Certification

American Osteopathic Board of Internal Medicine (AOBIM)

August 1996 - Present

- Recertified 2016
- Fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Internists (ACOI)
- Master Fellow of American College of Osteopathic Internists (ACOI)

American Association of Hospice and Palliative Medicine (AAHPM)

November 2013 - Present

- CAQ November 2013

Education

Southeastern University of the Health Sciences (Nova Southeastern)

Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine

July 1988 - June 1992

- Freshman Class President
- President Student Osteopathic Medical Association
- Lambda Omicron Gamma Fraternity
- Liebskind-Williams Service Award

University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida

Bachelor of Science, Psychology

August 1987

- Circle K Club (Kiwanis)
Lt. Governor of Florida
- Dean's List

St. John's River Community College, Palatka, Florida

Associate of Arts Degree

June 1983

- President and Charter Member Circle K Club
- Brain Bowl Team
- Dean's List

Training

Delaware Valley Medical Center, Langhorne, Pennsylvania

Osteopathic Internal Medicine Internship and Residency

July 1992 – June 1995

- Chief Medical Resident
- Resident of the Year
- Chief Intern

Professional Privileges

Hospitals

Capital Regional Medical Center, Tallahassee, Florida	February 1996 – Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Active Staff Privileges• Member Board of Trustees (2017- Present)• 2015 Frist Humanitarian Award• Chairman Board of Trustees (2011 – 2014)• Vice Chairman Board of Trustees (2010 – 2011)• Chief of Staff• Chairman Medical Executive Committee• Chairman Department of Medicine• Chairman Performance Improvement Committee• Chairman Bylaws Committee• Chairman Medical Care Review Committee• 2009 Physician of the Year• Various other volunteer committees and workgroups	
Tallahassee Memorial Hospital, Tallahassee, Florida	February 1996 – 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Privileges First DO physician on staff that completed Osteopathic Residency	
Select Specialty Hospital, Tallahassee, Florida	October 2009 – 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Courtesy Privileges for Long term acute care	
Encompass Rehabilitation Hospital, Tallahassee, Florida	January 1998 – 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Courtesy Privileges for Acute Rehabilitation• Director Internal Medicine Department• Physician Advisor for Outpatient Services• Chairman Infectious Diseases Committee	January 2002 - 2006 January 2002 - 2006 January 2002 - 2006
<u>Skilled Nursing Facilities</u>	
Seven Hills Health and Rehabilitation Center, Tallahassee, Florida	February 2012 – June 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medical Director (2012- 2018)	
Centrepointe Health and Rehabilitation, Tallahassee, Florida	February 2003 – June 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attending Physician• Medical Director (2006 – 2012)	
Tallahassee Developmental Center, Tallahassee, Florida	April 2008 – June 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medical Director (2013 – 2018)• Developmentally Disabled Long Term Residential Care	
Brynwood Nursing Center, Monticello, Florida	June 2000 – June 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medical Director (2012 – 2018)	
Capital Health Care Center, Tallahassee, Florida	March 2000 – February 2005
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Long term Care Medical Director	

Edensprings Health and Rehabilitation, Crawfordville, Florida	December 2003 – May 2005
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sub-acute Medical Director 	
Lake Park of Madison, Madison, Florida	April 1996 – January 2002
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long term Care Medical Director 	
Heritage Health Care Center, Tallahassee, Florida	February 1999 – August 2000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attending Physician 	
Tallahassee Convalescent Home, Tallahassee, Florida	February 1998 – June 2000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Director 	
Madison Nursing Center, Madison, Florida	October 1996 – January 1998
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long term Care Medical Director 	
<u>Hospice</u>	
Big Bend Hospice, Tallahassee, Florida	December 2001 – June 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associate Medical Director • Hospice House • Leader Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) 	
<u>Assisted Living Facilities</u>	
Woodmont, Tallahassee, Florida	April 2004 – August 2007
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Director • Attending Physician 	
Edenbrook, Tallahassee, Florida	January 2000 – October 2002
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Director 	
<u>Home Health Care and Durable Medical Equipment Services</u>	
Encompass/Care South Homecare Professionals, Tallahassee Florida	February 2014 – June 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Director 	
Barnes Healthcare Services, Tallahassee, Florida	February 2006 – June 2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Director 	
Amedisys Health Care, Tallahassee, Florida	February 2006 – February 2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Director 	
American Home Patient, Tallahassee, Florida	October 1998 – February 2006
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Director 	
Community Home Health Care, Madison, Florida	December 1995 – February 1997
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical Director 	

Administrative

National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Level II COMLEX Item Writer• Level II Cognitive Evaluation Committee• Internal Medicine COMAT Item Reviewer	October 2018 – Present
Workgroup for Potentially Preventable Hospital Events <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appointed by Secretary of AHCA• Charter member	May 2019 – Present
Florida Medical Care Advisory Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appointed by the Governor• Charter member• Ten-member panel that advises AHCA and Department of Health• Implementation of Managed Medicaid and Ongoing Analysis	June 2008 – Present
Capital Medical Society Meet the Candidates Steering Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Created opportunity for physicians to interview political candidates	May 2016 – August 2016
Florida Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appointed by the Governor• Ten-member panel that oversees Medicaid formulary	September 2009 – December 2011
Personal Injury Protection (PIP) Advisory Group <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appointed by Secretary Atwater (CFO)• 15 Member panel set up to recommend automobile Insurance legislation	September 2011 – December 2011
Florida State Advisory Panel for Comprehensive Care <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appointed by Florida Surgeon General	November 2011 – June 2012
Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Medicaid Program Integrity• Osteopathic Physician Review	March 2000 – May 2003
Florida Independent Physicians Association <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regional Assistant Medical Director	November 1999 – February 2000
Tallahassee Community Network (P.H.O.) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Board of Managers	August 1996 – November 1999

Teaching

Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine

August 2014 - Present

- Tallahassee Core Site Clinical Director
- Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine
- Foundations Lecturer

Florida State University College of Medicine

September 2002 – August 2004

- Community Preceptor
- Lecturer for Pre-Professional Society of FSU

Clinical Instructor

January 2002 – June 2018

- Osteopathic Medical Students
- ARNP Students

Pharmaceutical Speaker

February 2002 – December 2010

- Novartis
- Diachi-Sankyo
- Merck

Professional Associations

Florida Osteopathic Medical Association (FOMA)

- Member since 1988
- 2006 – 2007 FOMA President
- Executive Committee
- Board of Trustees
- Chairman Finance Committee
- Chairman Nominating Committee
- Chairman Membership Committee
- Member Legislative Committee
- Chairman Bylaws Committee
- Founding Member Diversity Committee
- Member Long Range Strategic Planning Committee
- Liaison to Agency for Healthcare Administration (AHCA)
- Representative Annual Corporate Roundtable
- Charter Member District Society 15 (1996)
- District 15 Trustee since 1997
- 2008 FOMA Physician of the Year
- Charter Member Key Contact Physician Program
- Presidential Recognition and Service Award
- Charter Member of Annual DO Day at State Capital 1998
- FOMA representative to testify for legislative committee and media interviews
- FOMA Speakers Bureau (2003 – 2009)
- Served as Doctor of the Day Florida Legislature

American Osteopathic Association (AOA)

- Board member Osteopathic Political Action Committee (OPAC) February 2013 to Present
- Secretary Osteopathic Political Action Committee (OPAC) February 2015 – February 2018
- Treasurer Osteopathic Political Action Committee (OPAC) February 2018 – Present
- National Physician Advisor to Omicron Beta Iota (OBI) Leadership Fraternity
- Trustee since 2011
 - Member Executive Committee
 - Chairman Governmental Affairs
 - Chairman Department of Professional Affairs/Membership
 - Vice-Chairman Department of Education
 - Chairman Membership Committee
 - Member of Strategic Planning Committee
 - Member Bureau of Emerging Leaders
 - Member Finance Committee
 - Vice-Chairman Council on Osteopathic Undergraduate Medical Education
 - Chairman Committee on Basic Documents and Affiliated Organizations
 - Chairman Bureau State Government Affairs
 - Chairman Bureau International Osteopathic Medicine
 - Chairman Council on Research
 - Chairman Specialty Standards Committee
 - Workgroup COCA Nominating Committee
 - Workgroup Federal Health Policy Development
 - AOA Council on Osteopathic Undergraduate Medical Education
 - Member of Budget Adjustment Subcommittee
 - Member of Appeals Committee
 - Member of AT Still Foundation and Research Institute
 - Liaison to the Advocates for the AOA
 - Member JAOA Editorial Board
- Member AOA House of Delegates since 1998
 - Vice Chair Public Affairs Committee
 - Member Professional Affairs Committee
 - Member Bylaws Committee
 - Member Education Committee
- Annual Attendance at DO Day on Capitol Hill
- Attendance at Bureau of Federal Health Programs
- AOA Webinar speaker: “Utilization and Hiring of a Physician Extender”

American College of Osteopathic Internists (ACOI)

- Member since 1996
- Fellow since 2005 (FACOI)
- Master Fellow 2021 (MACOI)

Florida Medical Association (FMA)

- District Member
- Capital Medical Society Board of Governors (2007 – 2011)
- District Legislative Chairman (2010)
- Created and Developed Meet the Candidate Forum
- Member various district committees

Community Involvement and Volunteerism

- Roberts Elementary Volunteer Mentor (2006-2011)
- Mercy International Medical Mission Trip Yamaranguilla Honduras (2015)
- North Florida Baptist Church Medical Mission Trip Oradea Romania (2016)
- Various local community projects

Personal

- Married to Sherry Thacker since 1999
- Two adult children; Blake and Allison
- Member of North Florida Baptist Church
- Interests include Travel, History, Opera, University of Florida Gator Marching band and Green Bay Packers Football

References

- Stephen R. Winn, Executive Director FOMA
- Jim Lyons MD, Associate Dean of Educational Development, Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine
- Thomas Fotopolous, DO, Director of OPP, Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine
- Kevin Klauer, DO, JD, Executive Director American Osteopathic Association
- Joseph Giaimo, DO FACOI, AOA President
- Alan Keesee, CEO, Capital Regional Medical Center
- Les Wilson, MD, Family Physician

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