

HEALTH POLICY FELLOWSHIP GRADUATES

The Class of 2004

Beverly Roberts Atwater, D.O. , Ph.D. Youngstown, Ohio



Dr. Atwater received her D. O. degree from Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1992. She graduated from Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee in 1974 with a B.A. in Psychology. She earned a M.A. in Educational Psychology from New York University in 1976 and a Ph.D. in Psychology from Michigan State University in 1984. She completed her internship at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey at Union Hospital in 1993. She completed her residency training at JFK Rehabilitation Hospital in Edison, New Jersey in 1996.

Dr. Atwater served on the faculty in the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan. She is board certified in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation by the American Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and the Osteopathic Association of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

She was awarded the William T. Grant Fellowship in the Department of Public Health at Johns Hopkins University and spent time completing a research project while in medical school. In 1998 she was selected one of twelve physical medicine and rehabilitation physicians to complete a Psychiatrist in Research Training Fellowship.

Dr. Atwater is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, and Secretary of the National Osteopathic Medical Association. She is a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and The Youngstown Chapter of LINKS, Inc. She serves on many community boards including The Goodwill Industries of Mahoning Valley, The Youngstown Symphony Society, and the Ohio Presbyterian, Park Vista Board. She serves as the Long Term Care Director of Rehabilitation for the Humility of Mary Health Partners.

Dr. Atwater is married to Dr. Tony Atwater, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs at Youngstown State University

Michael K. Cope, Ph.D.
Lewisburg, West Virginia



Dr. Cope graduated from Ohio State University in 1975 with a Ph.D. in Cardiopulmonary Physiology. He also holds a B.S. from the University of Michigan, and is a graduate of Harvard University's Management Development Program

Dr. Cope is a Professor of Physiology and has served as the Associate Dean for Preclinical Education at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine for the past 18 years and has been a member of the faculty for 28 years. Dr. Cope is active with the AOA, serving as a member of the Evaluators Registry, a consultant on College Accreditation, and as a member of the Committee on College Accreditation Training of the Bureau of Professional Education. He is active in the West Virginia Association of Academic Administrators, having served as the President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer. He is the founding president of the Southeastern Chapter of the West Virginia State Health Education Coalition. He is also a member of the Academic Affairs Advisory Council to the Central Office of the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission.

Dr. Cope is sponsored by the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine.

Todd Detar, D.O., FACOFP
Charleston, South Carolina



Dr. Detar received a B.S. degree in Health Education from the University of Delaware in 1980. He attended Ursinus College during 1980-1982 studying pre-medicine, and completed graduate studies in cell physiology at Villanova University during 1982-1983. Dr. Detar graduated from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1987. He completed an internship at Doctors Hospital in Columbus, Ohio in 1988 and a residency in Family Medicine at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1989.

He received the John S. Emerbrink, DO Award in 1987 for proficiency in Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine (OMM). He received the Clinician of the Year Award in 2000 from the Department of Family Medicine at the Medical University of South Carolina. He has been nominated for the Golden Apple Award at the Medical University of South Carolina. He is past president and treasurer of the South Carolina Osteopathic Medical Society. Dr. Detar is member of the American Osteopathic Association, American College of Osteopathic Family Practice, Christian Medical and Dental Society, and the South Carolina Osteopathic Medical Society and the Charleston County Medical Society.

Dr. Detar was promoted to clinical associate professor and is currently Medical Director of the Department of Family Medicine's Faculty Practice in Charleston, SC. He practices osteopathic Family Medicine with a special interest in Obstetrics and Women's Health. He teaches first year medical students the art of medical interviewing. Dr. Detar has experience in solo, group, urban, and rural medical practices. He worked with numerous hospital administrative committees, including the Executive committee, while chairing the Bioethics and Utilization Review Committees at Pottstown Memorial Medical Center in Pottstown, PA. He served as Medical Director for several nursing homes. He was an athletic trainer with the Philadelphia Phillies in 1979. He has published several articles.

Dr. Detar is married to Suzanne Shirey Detar and has three children. He is active in the Via De Cristo Movement of South Carolina and sings and plays guitar for his Church's Praise team.

Gail J. Dudley, D.O.
Blacksburg, Virginia



Dr. Dudley received her D.O. degree from the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine in 1986. She completed her internship at Logan General Hospital in Logan, W.Va. in 1987. She received her certification in family practice from the American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians in 1993, certification in quality assurance/utilization review with subspecialty in risk management from the American Board of Quality Assurance, Utilization Review, Inc in 1993, and certification in neuromuscular skeletal medicine from the American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine in 2002.

Dr. Dudley has worked as a family doctor and as director of emergency services. She has chaired numerous committees, including the OP&T committee and the Department of Family Practice at Orlando General Hospital in Florida, the Performance Improvement Committee, the JCAHO review Committee, and the Medical Records/Utilization Review Committee. She was Director of Quality Assurance for Brevard Medical Center in Melbourne, Florida, and initiated and co-chaired the Complementary and Alternative Medicine Committee. Dr. Dudley was a member of a task force to explore setting up a palliative care ward while on staff at Carilion New River Valley Medical Center. She was liaison for Military/Florida DOs for ACOFP in 1991 while serving active duty in the Air Force during Desert Storm. She currently is district chair for VOMA and ex-officio member of Va. AAFP. She has been a member of Complementary and Alternative Methods for Energized and Optimum Health advisory committee at Radford University in since 1997. She is a member of her state and national osteopathic societies, as well as the American Board of Quality Assurance/Utilization Review, Inc., the College of Physician Executives.

Dr. Dudley is currently Division Chair for Primary Care at the Edward Via Virginia College of Medicine in Blacksburg, Virginia. Her participation in the Health Policy Fellowship is partially sponsored by her state society.

Brian H. Hallas, Ph.D.
Old Westbury, New York



Dr. Hallas received his B.A. and B.S. from Hartford University in 1974 and his PhD in Neuroscience in 1979 from Purdue University.

Dr. Hallas serves on numerous committees at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine (NYCOM) in Old Westbury, NY. Dr. Hallas is presently an active member of the Curriculum Committee, Faculty Evaluation and Promotion Committee, Student Promotion and Discipline Committee, and serves on the Council of Deans and Council of Chairmen. In addition, he is Chairman of the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee and Vice President of the Faculty Senate. Most recently, Dr. Hallas has been appointed as an editor of the Journal of the American Osteopathic Association (JAOA). As author of numerous articles and book chapters, Dr. Hallas has received the George W. Northrop Medical Writing Award, the Presidential Service Award, and the Outstanding Basic Science Award.

Dr. Hallas was an instructor in the Neurobiology Department at Purdue until he came to the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1980. He started as an Assistant Professor in the Anatomy Department from 1980 to 1986, when he became an Associate Professor of the Department of Life Sciences at NYIT and an Associate Professor in the Department of Anatomy at NYCOM. As an Associate Professor, Dr. Hallas founded the Department of Neuroscience in 1989, and in 1996 he became the Chairman of that Department. He is currently a full Professor, Chairman of the Department of Neuroscience, and Associate Dean of Research at NYCOM.

The New York College of Osteopathic Medicine sponsors Dr. Hallas as a Fellow in the Health Policy Fellowship.

Gary R. Hill D.O.
Fort Lauderdale, Florida



Dr. Hill received his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic medicine in 1984. He graduated from Glassboro State College (now Rowan University) in 1973 with a B.A. in Biology. Dr Hill received an Associate Degree in Biotechnology from Brookdale Community College in 1971. He completed a one-year rotating internship at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital Corporation/Bi-County Community Hospital in Detroit, Michigan in 1985. He completed a three-year internal medicine residency at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital/BiCountry Community Hospital Corp. in Detroit & Warren Michigan in 1988.

He served as Assistant Chief of Medicine and Chief of Medicine at Riverview Regional Medical Center in Gadsden, Alabama. Dr. Hill served as Medical Director of Quality of Life Health Services in Gadsden, Alabama for eight years. Dr Hill is presently Assistant Professor of Medicine at Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Dr. Hill is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, American College of Osteopathic Internists, and the Florida Osteopathic Medical Association. Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine sponsors Dr. Hill's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

Maribeth Knight, D.O.
West Bloomfield, Michigan



Dr. Knight graduated cum laude from University of Michigan – Dearborn in 1991, with a BA in Psychology. She received her Doctor of Osteopathy from Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1995. She did both her Internal Medicine Track Internship and her Internal Medicine Residency at Botsford General Hospital in Michigan. She is Board Certified in Internal Medicine. She completed a Faculty Development Fellowship at Michigan State University, and is currently a Clinical Faculty Advisor at Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

She is an active member of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), the American College of Internists, the Michigan Osteopathic Association (MOA) and the Oakland County Osteopathic Association. She has served on the AOA House of Delegates for many years. She has played an active role at the annual MOA convention. These activities have included the House of Delegates, the Education Committee and an Education Committee moderator. She served on the MOA Health Finance Committee, Service Corporation, and Grievance Committee. She is an active board member for the Oakland County Osteopathic Association. Within her hospital, she is very active with the Utilization Review Committee. While at Botsford Hospital, she was a Chief Internal Medicine Resident, as well as a Hospital Administrative Chief Resident. She also served on the Internal Medicine Education Committee, the Medical Education Committee, the Nurse – Physician Liaison Committee and the Bioethics Committee

She is married to Robert James Conway and is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Richard N. Knight. She is thankful to both the Michigan Osteopathic Association and the Oakland County Osteopathic Association for sponsoring her for this fellowship.

Michael A. Krasnow, D.O., Ph.D.
Huntington, West Virginia



Dr. Krasnow received his Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of Massachusetts in 1973. He received his doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Western University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1985. Dr. Krasnow completed his internship at the Chicago Osteopathic Hospital and a residency in ophthalmology at the Tulsa Oklahoma Regional Medical Center. He completed a glaucoma fellowship at the University of Iowa Hospital and Clinic. Dr. Krasnow is a Fellow in the American Academy of Ophthalmology and the Osteopathic Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology and is board certified. He is also a Fellow in the International College of Surgeons and was elected to the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and the American Glaucoma Society.

Dr. Krasnow is active in the West Virginia Society of Osteopathic Medicine, serving as a member of the Board of Trustees for the past three years. He is currently the vice-president of the Cabell County Medical Society. For the past four years, he has served as the president of the board of the Cabell Huntington Surgery Center. Dr. Krasnow is also a member of the Express-Scripts National Formulary Committee.

Dr. Krasnow is a cataract surgeon and glaucoma specialist in Huntington, WV. He is professor of ophthalmology and family practice at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine. He is actively involved in a telemedicine project providing ophthalmic services to remote areas in rural southern West Virginia. In addition, he is one of the investigators for a research study examining the effects of celecoxib and rofecoxib on intraocular pressure and blood pressure.

The Department of Family and Community Health at the Marshall University Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine sponsors Dr. Krasnow as a Fellow in the Health Policy program.

Robin Beverly McFee D.O., M.P.H.
Davie, Florida



Dr. McFee received her D. O. degree from New York College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1995. She earned her undergraduate degree at Assumption College in Worcester, MA and pursued additional training at Tufts University in Medford, MA. Dr. McFee completed her medical internship at St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester. She did a year of biomedical device research and development, after which she received patents for cardiac diagnostic devices. In 1999 Dr. McFee completed a clinical preventive medicine residency at the State University of New York at Stony Brook, and earned a masters in public health (MPH) degree from the Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University. In 2000 Dr. McFee completed a medical toxicology program at the Long Island Regional Poison Control Center at Winthrop University Hospital. Dr. McFee is board certified in Preventive Medicine.

Dr. McFee was the first osteopathic physician to earn the Aesculapius Award for Teaching Excellence at the State University of New York at Stony Brook. She was also the first medical school faculty recipient from SUNY-Stony Brook to receive the Pfizer/American Association of Medical Colleges Humanism in Medical Education Award presented in recognition of a novel “clinical community classroom” – an outreach program for disadvantaged and abused adolescents co-developed with the students at SUNY-Stony Brook. The program became the largest clinical community outreach program at the School of Medicine. Dr. McFee also earned an Excellence in Teaching award from the SUNY Stony Brook School of Medicine, and an Innovations to Curriculum Award from the American Medical Association.

In addition to her work at the Center for Injury Prevention at Winthrop University Hospital, Dr. McFee has been affiliated with the Long Island Regional Poison Control Center as physician and researcher since 1997. In 2001 Dr. McFee joined the Department of Preventive Medicine at Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine (NSUCOM) and is the Bioterrorism Preparedness Coordinator for the NSUCOM-Area Health Education Center. Dr. McFee has been an invited speaker at regional, national and international conferences, and has authored over twenty-five publications in addition to coauthoring chapters on medical toxicology issues. Dr. McFee is a member of several regional and national bioterrorism task forces including the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, The Florida Regional Domestic Security Task Force, and The American Osteopathic Association Bioterrorism Task Force. Dr. McFee is an active member and participant of the American Academy of Clinical Toxicology, American Osteopathic Association, American Medical Association, Association of Teachers of Preventive Medicine, the Society for Adolescent Medicine and American College of Preventive Medicine. Dr. McFee is active in volunteer work, and participates in a variety of sports including SCUBA diving and kayaking. She resides in Coconut Creek, Florida.

Dr. McFee's sponsor for the Osteopathic Heritage Foundation Health Policy Fellowship is Nova Southeastern College of Osteopathic Medicine in Davie, Florida.

Ira P. Monka, D.O.
Morristown, New Jersey



Dr. Monka received his D.O. degree from The University of Medicine and Dentistry New Jersey School of Osteopathic Medicine. He graduated in 1984. He completed an internship in Family Practice at Humana Hospital South Broward, Florida where he was chief intern. Dr. Monka's residency was in Family Practice at General Hospital, Union, New Jersey.

Presently, Dr. Monka is Chief Executive Officer and Medical Director of the Medical Institute of New Jersey, P.C. He takes great pride in seeing patients in his office, skilled nursing centers, and Morristown Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Monka has the distinction of serving on the Board of Directors of The New Jersey Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons and is currently treasurer for them. Dr. Monka has been very active with the association and has previously held other offices.

Dr. Monka volunteers in academic and clinic activities for the New Jersey School of Osteopathic Medicine and the Board of Health in Morris Township, New Jersey.

Dr. Monka has a devoted interest in many sports and coaches group sports for youngsters in the community. He has been married for 21 years to Esti Monka, they have three children, Lonnie, Alle Faye, and Neal. They reside in Morristown, New Jersey. He has the privilege of being sponsored for the Health Policy Fellowship by Clifford Botwin, D.O., who is a member of The New Jersey Education Foundation.

Heidi A. Morris, D.O.
Westlake, Ohio



Dr. Morris received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine in June 1998. She completed her osteopathic internship at Grandview Hospital and Health Care Center in Dayton, Ohio and a Family Practice residency at Good Samaritan, a hospital affiliated with Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio.

Dr. Morris is Board Certified in Family Medicine by the American Board of Family Practice. She has completed a Fellowship in Academic Medical Education through Northeastern Ohio University College of Medicine. Dr. Morris serves as a member of the Board of Directors, Lake Erie Consortium for Osteopathic Medical Training. She is also a member of the Graduate Medical Education Committee of Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine.

As of March 2004, Dr. Morris is Assistant Dean and Director of Medical Education for St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center in Toledo, Ohio, for the Centers for Osteopathic Research and Education (CORE), Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine. Prior to this position, Dr. Morris was a full-time faculty member in the Department of Family Practice/Geriatrics at MetroHealth Medical Center in Cleveland, Ohio, where she sees patients and precepts residents. She is also Program Director of the Family Practice Residency Core Conferences, and has worked as both the Associate Residency Program Director and Acting Residency Program Director of Family Practice. Dr. Morris has served on the Medical Records Committee, is a member of the Graduate Medical Education Committee, and is the Director of Medical Education for Osteopathic Internships and Residencies at MetroHealth Medical Center. Prior to joining the MetroHealth system, Dr. Morris served as the OB/GYN Coordinator of the Family Practice Residency Program at Fairview General Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio.

The MetroHealth system sponsors Dr. Morris's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

Susan M. Rose, D.O.
Brighton, Michigan



Dr. Rose received her D.O. degree from Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1979. She graduated from the University of Michigan in 1972 with a B.S. in Nursing. She completed her internship at Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital in Grand Rapids, Michigan in 1980. She worked for two years as an Emergency Physician at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills, Michigan before going to Brighton, Michigan. She has been in Brighton for twenty-three years having worked in Urgent Care, Occupational Medicine, and Family Practice over that time. For the past eighteen years she has been a partner in a private practice and has limited her practice to Family Medicine and Osteopathic Manual Medicine (OMM) for the last several years. She is Board Eligible in OMM.

She was the recipient of the Department of Biomechanics OMT Achievement Award at Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Soon after moving to Brighton she became involved in the local Chamber of Commerce and served on the Board of Directors. She was involved in the Michigan Chapter of the National Federation of Independent Business and was appointed to their Guardian Committee. In 1992 Governor John Engler appointed her to the Michigan Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery (MBOMS) on which she served for more than ten years. Over the course of her tenure, she was elected to the Vice-Chair and Chair positions and had numerous committee appointments.

As a member of a state osteopathic medicine licensing board, she had the opportunity to become involved in American Association of Osteopathic Examiners (AAOE) and the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB). She was part of the core group that eventually got FSMB to recognize COMLEX-USA as a valid examination for the examination of Osteopathic Physicians. She served as Vice-President of AAOE from 2001-2003 and was elected President in 2003. Also in 2003 she was elected to the Board of Directors of FSMB. She has worked closely with the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME) and assisted in the development of COMVEX, their special purpose examination.

She is a member of Michigan Osteopathic Association (MOA), the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) and the American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO). AAOE and MOA sponsor her for the Health Policy Fellowship.

Bettye D. Stanley, D.O., Pharm.D.
Richmond, Virginia



Bettye D. Stanley, D.O., Pharm.D. is board certified in Family Practice and currently practices medicine at the Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University Health Systems in Richmond, Virginia. Prior to moving to Virginia, she practiced Family Medicine for approximately 14 years in Detroit, Michigan.

Dr. Stanley earned her bachelor's degree in pharmacy, followed by a doctor of pharmacy degree from Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. She earned her medical degree from Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Stanley has completed several courses in the Community Medicine and Public Health curriculum at Virginia Commonwealth University towards a master of public health degree. She also received extensive sexually transmitted disease (STD) training and completed a mini-residency and clinical training at Johns Hopkins University and Howard University's National Minority AIDS Education and Training Center in order to be able to provide medical care to persons living with HIV and AIDS.

Dr. Stanley is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the Virginia Osteopathic Medical Association, and the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians.

In addition to her work in medicine, Dr. Stanley's vision of advocating sexual wellness through education, prevention, risk reduction, disease containment and adherence led her to be a founder of The Retozon Group, a minority community-based organization. Through this organization, she is able to reach out to the community on all levels to help reduce the spread of HIV/AIDS.
