

# HEALTH POLICY FELLOWSHIP GRADUATES

## HPF Class of 2008



Front row: Sherman Dunn, D.O.; Shannon Jimenez, D.O.; Lynn Mark, D.O.; Denise Burns, D.O. Back row: Harry Manser, D.O., MBA; Charles Hanshaw, D.O.; Angelo Mancuso, D.O. (deferred); Greg Peterson, D.O.; Damon Schranz, D.O.; and Samuel Snyder, D.O.

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**Denise Burns D.O.  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**

**Graduation PowerPoint: [A Report Card on Medicare Part D Access to Affordable Prescriptions Drugs or Not?](#)**

Dr. Denise Burns received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree from University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine (UNECOM) in 1993. She graduated from SUNY Old Westbury summa cum laude in 1989 with a degree in Chemistry and received the American Chemistry Student of the Year award upon graduation. Dr. Burns completed a one-year rotating internship at St. Barnabas Hospital in 1994, as well as a Family Practice residency, where she was awarded the Family Practice Resident of the Year. Dr. Burns is licensed to practice medicine in New York and Pennsylvania. She is dually Board Certified by the American Osteopathic Association in Family Practice and Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment, and Neuromuscular Medicine and Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine.

Dr. Burns is currently an Associate Professor of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (PCOM). She is a practicing clinician in the Health Care Center, third year OMM student coordinator, and an OMM lecturer/lab trainer. She is on the Disciplinary and LINCOW Awards committees. She is actively pursuing research endeavors on Parkinson's disease, smoking cessation and hypothyroidism. Prior to PCOM, she was the Program Director of Neuromuscular Medicine Plus 1 Residency Program at St. John's Episcopal Hospital in Far Rockaway, NY. Dr. Burns started her academic career at New York College of Osteopathic Medicine (NYCOM) as an Assistant Professor in both the Family Practice and Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Departments. She was a practicing clinician at the Academic Health Care Center NYIT/NYCOM. She was promoted to Associate Professor. Dr. Burns had additional responsibilities at NYCOM: OMM Student Course Coordinator, Continuing Medical Education OMM Coordinator, Chairperson AHCC Parkinson's Disease Committee, and the Quality Assurance Committee. She served on the following NYCOM committees: Academic Senate as Senate Secretary, Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine, Grievance, Continuing Education, Mentorship Program, Curriculum, and Student Outcomes. Dr. Burns completed several research projects and publications to round out her academic achievements. Before taking an academic position at NYCOM she worked in private practice for one year doing family medicine and osteopathic manipulative treatment.

Dr. Burns is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the American Medical Association, the National Osteopathic Foundation, the American Academy of Osteopathy, the American College of Osteopathic Family Practitioners, the New York State Osteopathic Medical Society, the Sutherland Cranial Teaching Foundation, the Medical Society State of New York and the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association. She currently serves or has served on the AAO Louisa Burns Research Committee, AAO Publications Committee, AAO External Fund Raising Committee, AAO Educational Committee, AHCC Quality Assurance Committee, AHCC Parkinson's Disease Committee, and as an AAO Scientific Poster Judge on multiple occasions. Dr. Burns has been a featured speaker at Channel 10 News, St. John's Episcopal Hospital Weekly OMT workshop, NYSOMS EROC, American Parkinson's Disease Association, St. Peter's Parochial School, St. Anastasias Parochial School, NYCOMEC, and AOA Women's Health Symposium. Dr. Burns has trained as an AOA COM Inspector. She currently serves as an AACOM Proposal Reviewer, NBOME OMM Complex II PE OMT Board Rater, NBOME Question Writer, and is one of the Parkinson Action Network Congressional Coordinators.

Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and the Center for Chronic Disorders of Aging sponsor Dr. Burns' participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Sherman Dunn Jr., DO, FACOOG**  
**Brooklyn, New York**

**Graduation PowerPoint:** [The Role of Continuous Certification in Patient Safety and Quality of Care](#)

**Policy Poster:** [The Role of Continuous Certification in Patient Safety and Quality of Care](#)

Dr. Dunn received his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1984. He graduated from New York University in 1976 with a B.A. in Biology and East Asian Studies and a M.S. in Biology in 1979. He completed a one year rotating internship at Coney Island Hospital in 1985. He then completed an Ob/Gyn Residency at Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center in 1991. He is board certified in Obstetrics and Gynecology by the American Osteopathic Association and is a Fellow of the American Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

Dr. Dunn began his career as a physician in the U.S. Army from 1985-1992. He is currently an attending physician at Coney Island Hospital since 1993 and served as the Osteopathic DME.

Dr. Dunn holds teaching faculty appointments as Associate Professor at Downstate Medical Center, Brooklyn, New York, at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, Old Westbury, New York and St. George's University School of Medicine.

Dr. Dunn is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the New York State Osteopathic Medical Society, American Association of Gynecologic Laparoscopists, American Board of Quality Assurance and Utilization Review Physicians, Inc., Association of Osteopathic Director and Medical Educators, and the Society of Osteopathic Medical Educators.

Coney Island Hospital, Brooklyn, New York, is sponsoring Dr. Dunn's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Charles D. Hanshaw D.O., F.A.C.O.I**  
**Dayton, Ohio**

**Graduation PowerPoint: [Increasing Access to Electronic Medical Records: Need for Personal Health Records in an Interoperable, Affordable Format](#)**

Dr. Hanshaw graduated from the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine in 1980. He received a B.S. degree in Biological Sciences with a Minor in Psychology from Morris Harvey College (University of Charleston) Charleston, W.V. He completed a one year traditional rotating internship at Grandview Medical Center in 1981. He completed a three year internal medicine residency in 1984. He served as Chief Medical Resident. He is Board Certified in Internal Medicine and is a Fellow of the ACOI.

He practiced internal medicine at WVSOM from 1984 -1986. Dr. Hanshaw worked in private practice hospital-based internal medicine and office-based internal medicine from 1986 until the present. He has been the director of The Lipid Station in Centerville, Ohio since 1989. He has done over 150 Phase III and Phase IV clinical trial studies. He has represented the Dayton Academy of Osteopathic Medicine at the Ohio Osteopathic Association and is a Delegate to the AOA for the OOA. He is a member of the Board of Directors, Grandview Foundation of Grandview Hospital, Dayton, Ohio.

The Ohio Osteopathic Association sponsors Dr. Hanshaw's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Shannon Ramsey Jimenez D.O.  
Goldsboro, North Carolina**

**Graduation PowerPoint: [The Future of Ambulatory Graduate Medical Education](#)**

Dr. Jimenez graduated from Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1996. She completed her internship and residency in Family Medicine at Garden City Hospital in Garden City, Michigan and was Board Certified in Family Medicine and Osteopathic Manipulative Therapy in 1999. She then joined Goldsboro Family Physicians in Goldsboro, NC. Since moving to North Carolina, Dr. Jimenez has become very active in her profession. She served as Vice-Chairman and Chairman of the Department of Medicine at Wayne Memorial Hospital and also served on several hospital committees including Patient Safety, and the Ethics and Executive committee over the course of the last eight years. Dr. Jimenez has also become very active in the osteopathic community. She has been a delegate for the North Carolina Society of the ACOFP yearly since 2002 and has been vice president and is currently president of that organization. She has recently been appointed to the ACOFP committee on federal legislation as well as the ACOFP committee on preventative medicine and preparedness. She has also served on the board of the North Carolina Osteopathic Medical Association since 2003 and is currently president-elect of that organization. Dr. Jimenez is on speaker's bureaus for Novartis Pharmaceutical and Glaxo-Smith Klein Pharmaceuticals and has lectured on hypertension in women/minorities, fibromyalgia, asthma, COPD, obesity, and insulin resistance. Shannon has also recently been selected for a Health Policy Fellowship and hopes to help shape health policy for the future of medicine.

The North Carolina Osteopathic Medical Association, the North Carolina Society of the American College of Osteopathic Family Practice, and the (North Carolina) Wayne County Medical Society are helping to sponsor Dr. Jimenez's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Harry Manser Jr., DO., MBA**  
**Florence, New Jersey**

**Graduation PowerPoint: [Access to Affordable Health Care Through Retail Medicine](#)**

Dr. Manser is a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. He received an undergraduate B.S. in biology from Ursinus College in 1965. After graduation from PCOM, he completed a rotating internship at Allentown Osteopathic Hospital, Allentown, Pennsylvania. In 1998 Dr. Manser received his MBA from Saint Joseph's University in medical management. He is board certified in family practice.

Dr. Manser has practiced in Florence, New Jersey over the past thirty five years. During that time he served on the New Jersey advisory board of U.S. Health Care, Health Care Plan of New Jersey, and Horizon Managed Care. He was president of the medical executive board of Rancocas Hospital (now Lourdes Hospital-Rancocas Division) in 1998. In 2004, Dr Manser was President of the New Jersey Osteopathic Association. He is presently the president-elect of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine Alumni Board. In addition, he is also on the board of directors of the Cancer Foundation for Personal Appearance.

The New Jersey Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons sponsors Dr. Manser's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Lynn G. Mark, D.O., M.A.**  
**Old Westbury, New York**

**Graduation PowerPoint: [Health Literacy and the Elderly](#)**

Dr. Mark received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine (NYCOM) in 1987. She graduated from SUNY College in Buffalo in 1982 with an M.A. in Biology and from CUNY Queens College in 1977 with a B.A. in Biology. Dr. Mark completed a one year rotating internship at St. Clare's Hospital in New York City (now St. Vincent's Midtown Hospital) in 1988. She completed her Family Practice residency training at Peninsula Hospital Center in Far Rockaway, New York in 1990 and is currently board certified in Family Medicine by the American Board of Osteopathic Family Physicians.

Dr. Mark was a preceptor for NYCOM students in two inner city family medicine clinics in Brooklyn and the Bronx in New York respectively for a period of twelve years. She left clinical practice and is currently involved with osteopathic post graduate medical education at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine Educational Consortium (NYCOMEC) where her current title is Director of Accreditation. Dr. Mark continues to teach NYCOM students on a part time basis. She holds a faculty position at NYCOM as Clinical Assistant Professor, Family Medicine.

Dr. Mark is a member of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP), and the NYCOM Alumni Association, where she was President from 1996-1998. Dr. Mark is a member of the New York State Osteopathic Medical Society (NYSOMS) and is currently serving as President. She is also a New York representative to the AOA House of Delegates.

NYCOM sponsors Dr. Mark's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Gregory E. Peterson, DO, FACP**  
**Des Moines, Iowa**

**Graduation PowerPoint: [Healthy Children for School](#)**

Dr. Greg Peterson is a graduate of Des Moines University in 1979, formerly the College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery. He attended St. Louis University and received his BS from Rhodes College, Memphis, Tennessee. He completed his internship at Youngstown Osteopathic Hospital and his residency at Western Reserve Medical Center of the Northeast Ohio University College of Medicine in Youngstown, Ohio. He is board certified in Internal Medicine and Critical Care Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine and is a Fellow in the American College of Physicians. He has been involved in academics and has conducted over eighty clinical research studies during his career. He is the past chair of the Iowa Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and serves on the Governor's task force on Bioterrorism. He also worked on the E911 Committee to enhance communication services for police, fire and emergency personnel. Dr. Peterson provides peer review services for the Iowa Foundation of Medical Care and the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners.

Dr. Peterson was selected as a Fellow of the American College of Physicians. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the American Osteopathic Medical Association, the Iowa Medical Society, the Iowa Osteopathic Medical Association, the Polk County Medical Society, the American College of Chest Physicians, American College of Physician Executives, American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists, and the American Diabetes Association. He is also a member of the Leadership Council of the local American Diabetes Association.

Dr. Peterson founded Diagnostic & Critical Care Medicine in 1986 and opened the first ADA recognized Diabetes Center in Des Moines in 1995. He remains the Chief Medical Officer at Diagnostic & Critical Care Medicine and the Medical Director of the Diabetes Center. He continues as an Adjunct Professor of Internal Medicine at Des Moines University. In addition, he is a distinguished lecturer through the United States, and has received a number of awards of recognition. Prior to Diagnostic & Critical Care Medicine, upon completion of his residency, Dr. Peterson returned to Des Moines in 1983 as an Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine at Des Moines University.

The Des Moines University sponsors Dr. Peterson's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Damon A. Schranz, DO, FACOFP**  
**Fort Worth, Texas**

**Graduation PowerPoint:** [Improving Access and Quality of Care to the State of Texas' Children's Medicaid Population](#)

**Policy Poster:** [Improving Access and Quality of Care to the State of Texas' Children's Medicaid Population](#)

Dr. Schranz graduated from Texas A&M University in 1992 with a B.S. in Biomedical Science. He received his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1998. He completed a three year family medicine residency from the Osteopathic Medical Center of Texas in 2001. Dr. Schranz is board certified in family medicine by the American Osteopathic Association. He completed a one year Faculty Development Fellowship in Family Medicine from the Waco Faculty Development Center in 2003.

Dr. Schranz has been in practice as an academic physician with the University of North Texas Health Science Center's Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine since 2001. He currently serves as an assistant professor and Chief of the Division of Family Medicine in the Department of Family and Community Medicine, one of the largest departments of family medicine in the nation. He serves as the director of both the two-month family medicine clerkship and the longitudinal preceptorship programs for his department. In addition to educational responsibilities, he is in active practice as a family physician at the University's main campus clinic where he also serves as medical director. He sits on a multitude of university committees, most importantly that of Secretary of the Faculty Senate. Dr. Schranz has published several articles for the ACOFP newsletter and the Journal of the American Osteopathic Association, and has presented abstracts at the North American Primary Care Research Group, Society for Teachers of Family Medicine, and the American Osteopathic Association.

Dr. Schranz is active in state and national politics, currently serving as Vice-President of the Texas Society of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians. He is President of his district's osteopathic medical society. He also serves as a delegate to the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association and holds seats on the Student Resident Committee and the Membership Committee. He has served as a delegate to the National House of Delegates and on the Procedural Medicine Committee for the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians. Dr. Schranz has received numerous awards and accolades throughout his medical career. Most recently, Dr. Schranz was inducted as a Fellow with honors by the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians in March of 2007.

In addition to politics, Dr. Schranz is an active volunteer in fundraising efforts for local community organizations by serving on gala committees for the Tarrant County Hospital District, the University of North Texas Health Science Center, and the Samaritan House, a local group home for impoverished HIV patients.

Marc Hahn, DO, Dean of the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, sponsors Dr. Schranz's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Samuel K. Snyder, D.O.  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida**

**Graduation PowerPoint: [Florida's Experience with Medicaid Reform](#)**

Dr. Snyder received his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1980. He graduated cum laude from Princeton University in 1973 with an A.B. degree in Religion. He completed a rotating osteopathic internship at Tri-County Hospital in Springfield, PA. After completing three years in the National Health Service Commissioned Corps, he served a residency in internal medicine at Metropolitan Hospital, Springfield Division, and then a fellowship in nephrology at Lankenau Hospital in Wynnewood, PA. He is board certified in Internal Medicine and Nephrology by the American Osteopathic Association.

He was in private practice in suburban Philadelphia until 1995, and then in the greater Fort Lauderdale area until 2005. During this time, he co-authored several articles and abstracts that appeared in peer reviewed publications, and also published articles and spoke to civic groups on subjects of general medical interest for the lay public. He served on a variety of hospital committees, and served as clinical faculty at Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

In 2005, Dr. Snyder moved to NSU COM to become chair of the Department of Internal Medicine. He teaches nephrology, various subjects in internal medicine, and medical ethics. He serves on various committees, including the writing committee of the Strategic Planning Committee. He is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, Florida Osteopathic Medical Association, Broward County Medical Association, American College of Osteopathic Internists (ACOI), for which he serves as Renal Section Chief, American College of Physicians (ACP), and American Society of Nephrology (ASN). He is a Fellow of the ACOI, ACP and ASN.

Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine sponsors Dr. Snyder's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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