

## Welcome Health Policy Fellowship Class of 2013-2014



Health Policy Fellows in the Class of 2014 (the twentieth class) attended Orientation at the New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine in Old Westbury, New York August 21-25.

Above: front row left to right: Pamela Grimaldi, D.O. (MA); Lauren Donatelli-Seyler, D.O. (PA); David Levine, M.D. (NY); Maria Plummer, M.D. (NY); Oneka Marriott, D.O., MPH (FL). Back row left to right: Rob Richardson, D.O. (OR); Cynthia Kelley, D.O. (OH); Monte Mitchell, D.O., J.D. (TX); Brian Marshall, D.O. (OH); Jeanne Rupert, D.O. (WA); Donna Emanuele, DNP, MN, RN (CA).

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**Lauren Donatelli-Seyler, D.O.  
Erie, Pennsylvania**



Graduation PowerPoint: [Comparative Effectiveness Research](#)

Dr. Donatelli-Seyler, DO, FACOS received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree from the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine in 2005. She graduated from Youngstown State University in 2000 with a B.S. in Biology and completed graduate work in anatomy and physiology prior to entering medical school. She completed her surgical internship and residency through the Henry Ford Health System in 2010 and proceeded to complete a fellowship in Acute Care Surgery through the University of Nevada in Las Vegas. Dr. Donatelli is Board Certified in General Surgery and Surgical Critical Care by the American Osteopathic Board of Surgery and has been designated a Fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons (to be awarded in November, 2013).

During her training, Dr. Donatelli served as a resident board member of the Macomb County and Michigan Osteopathic Associations and as a delegate to the Michigan and American Osteopathic Association Houses of Delegates. She has also dedicated her time to education, participating in multiple student, resident, and community education programs as well as speaking at national conferences and trauma outreach sessions. She currently serves as the coordinator for education in general surgery and trauma at UPMC Hamot and serves on the Academic Leadership Council.

Dr. Donatelli is currently practicing Acute Care Surgery at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center-Hamot Hospital, a Level 2 trauma center. She is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Association, the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons, the Society of Critical Care Medicine, the Michigan Osteopathic Association, and the Macomb County Osteopathic Association.

The UPMC Hamot Medical Staff and the Hamot Health Foundation are sponsoring Dr. Donatelli's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Donna M. Emanuele, DNP, MN, RN, FNP-BC, CNS, FAANP**  
**Pomona, California**



Graduation PowerPoint: [Restructuring Long Term Care: Changing Patterns and Policy Implications](#)

Dr. Donna M. Emanuele, DNP, MN, RN, FNP-BC, CNS, FAANP is an Assistant Professor of Nursing and Assistant Director for the MSN-FNP DNP program in the College of Graduate Nursing at Western University of Health Sciences, Pomona, California. She has practiced within the nursing profession and assumed many leadership, clinical educator, management, and administrative roles extending over a 20-year nursing career. She graduated with an associate of science degree in nursing (ASN) from Middlesex Community College in Bedford, MA in 1984 and completed her baccalaureate of science degree (BSN) in nursing from Cal-State, Los Angeles in 1989. She earned her advanced degrees in nursing from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) as a Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) in Critical Care in 1993 and Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) in 1995. She maintains active clinical practice in Primary Care-Family Practice as a certified FNP, including Emergency Medicine as a specialty care setting. Dr. Emanuele earned her Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) from Touro University Nevada (TUN), Henderson, NV in 2009. Her practice-based dissertation research investigated, "Nurse Practitioners as Primary Care Providers: Transforming the Political and Regulatory Practice Landscape to Improve Access to Health Care through Evidence-Based Research."

Dr. Emanuele is an active member of several professional state and national nursing organizations and is engaged in committee work to advance the practice of nursing with a special interest in health policy and practice. She currently is the President Elect for the California Association for Nurse Practitioners (CANP) and previous to this leadership role served as the organizations Health Policy Chair. She co-authored the 2009 CANP Position Statement, "Affirming the Competency, Quality and Continuing Role of Nurse Practitioners in the Primary and Specialty Care Settings," presented at state and national nursing conferences, and participated in research studies. In June of 2013, Dr. Emanuele was inducted as a Fellow into the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP); she received the State of Excellence Award from the AANP in 1998. Dr. Emanuele continues to pursue nursing's agenda to reduce barriers and advance nursing practice to improve access to health care, and committed to strengthen relationships across the health professions for the betterment of patient care.

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**Pamela L. Grimaldi D. O., FAAFP  
Barre, Massachusetts**



Graduation PowerPoint: [The Nutrition Reform and Work Opportunity Act of 2013/HR 3102](#)

Policy Poster - Awarded Honorable Mention: [The Nutrition Reform and Work Opportunity Act of 2013/HR 3102](#)

Dr. Grimaldi graduated from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1998. Prior to medical school she received a B.A in Biology from what is now Quinnipiac University in 1993. She completed a dually-accredited Family Practice residency at Wilson Memorial Regional Hospital in Johnson City, New York in 2001. Dr. Grimaldi became Board certified in Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine/OMT in 2005.

Dr. Grimaldi has worked doing full spectrum Osteopathic Family Medicine including in-patient and Obstetrics for the last fifteen years. Currently she is an Assistant Professor for the University of Massachusetts where she teaches Family Practice residents while continuing to practice full time in her office in Barre, MA.

Prior to moving back to Massachusetts, she worked in a twenty- bed rural hospital above the Arctic Circle in bush Alaska. This job included supervising Native Alaskans in the Certified Health Aid Program (CHAP) in person and via telemedicine and working at several of the ten Inuit village clinics in a service area bigger than the state of Maine.

Dr. Grimaldi has been active in the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) as a Delegate for Massachusetts for the AOA House of Delegates for the past five years. She has served on many committees for the American Academy of Osteopathy (AAO). She is the current immediate past-president of the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society after serving as president for three years. She has also been a member of the American Academy of Family Practice (AAFP) and the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP). She has lectured nationally on various family practice and osteopathic medicine topics.

Dr. Grimaldi lives with her family her young family in Rutland, Massachusetts.

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**Cynthia Kelley, D.O.**  
**Akron, Ohio**



Graduation PowerPoint: [The Single Accreditation System: Moving Forward](#)

Dr. Kelley received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine (OUHCOM) in 2001. She graduated from Miami University in 1995 with a B.A. in Zoology. She completed her internship and residency training at the Summa Akron City Hospital's Family Medicine Residency program in 2004. In 2006, Cindy completed a fellowship in academic medicine at Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED). Dr. Kelley is board certified in Family Medicine by the American Board of Osteopathic Family Medicine and the American Board of Family Medicine.

Upon graduation from residency, Cindy joined Summa's faculty and has been an associate director at the Summa Akron City Family Medicine program for the past nine years. In 2012, she also became the Osteopathic Director of Medical Education at Summa. She also holds faculty positions (clinical assistant professor and assistant professor) at OUHCOM and NEOMED, respectively.

Dr. Kelley is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians, the Ohio Osteopathic Association, and the American Academy of Family Physicians. She currently serves as the Vice President of the American College of Family Physicians, Ohio chapter, Board of Governors. She also co-authored a book with her dad, D. Gary Benfield, MD, a neonatologist, entitled *Prescription Drugs in Pregnancy: Your Guide to Fetal Risk for Hundreds of Drugs*. *Cleveland Magazine* has named Cindy one of the "Best Doctors" annually since 2009.

Cindy is married to Mike Kelley, D.O. and they have four daughters.

The Ohio Osteopathic Association, the Department of Family Medicine at Summa Akron City Hospital, and Primary Care Physicians, Inc., are sponsoring Dr. Kelley's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**David C Levine M.D., FACS**  
**Port Washington, New York**



Graduation PowerPoint: [Medical Student Loan Debt and Primary Care for Rural and Medically Underserved Areas: Is It Just About the Money?](#)

Dr. Levine received his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1982 from the State University of New York at Buffalo. He graduated cum laude from the University of Pennsylvania in 1978 with a BA in the Biological Basis of Behavior (psychology/biology). From 1982-1985 Dr. Levine served as an Intern and Surgical Resident at Lenox Hill Hospital, New York, NY and completed his general surgery residency at St. Luke's Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio in 1987. He was board certified in General Surgery from 1990 – 2011. Dr. Levine began a solo General Surgical practice on Long Island, NY and over the next 17 years founded and managed North Shore Surgical Specialists, a ten surgeon multi-specialty group. Dr. Levine retired from practice in 2004.

Dr. Levine served as Director for medical student education in the Department of Surgery at North Shore University Hospital, Manhasset, New York from 2006 through 2012. In September 2012, Dr. Levine became the Assistant Dean for Clinical Education at the NYIT College of Osteopathic Medicine in Old Westbury, New York. In this capacity, he is responsible for the PACT program (Partnership for the Advancement of Clinical Training), which standardizes the delivery, teaching methods, student usage, and summative assessment of core curricular clinical content to our students in the third and fourth year clerkships. This is being achieved with the use of technology mediated resources and on-site visits for training and monitoring of 600 students in the clinical years at 39 separate facilities.

Dr. Levine is currently an Assistant Professor of Surgery at NYIT College of Osteopathic Medicine and Adjunct Assistant Professor of Surgery at Hofstra University-North Shore LIJ School of Medicine.

Dr. Levine is currently a member of the AOA and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. During his career in practice he was a member of American Medical Association, Medical Society of the State of New York, Nassau Academy of Medicine, Nassau County Medical Society, Nassau County Surgical Society, and the American Society of Breast Surgeons.

Dr. Levine currently serves on several committees at the NYIT College of Osteopathic Medicine including the Council of Deans, Curriculum Task Force Committee, and Interprofessional Education Committee.

Dr. Levine is Vice President and Treasurer of the Nassau Physician's Foundation (medical student education and medical research) and is also the President of the Animal Cancer Foundation which funds research in comparative oncology (genetic similarities of naturally occurring cancers in both humans and companion animals).

NYIT College of Osteopathic Medicine sponsors Dr. Levine's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Oneka Bynoe Marriott, D.O., M.P.H.**  
**Fort Lauderdale, Florida**



Graduation PowerPoint: [Foreign Medical Schools: A Good Investment or Bad Medicine for Taxpayers?](#)

Policy Poster - Awarded Second Place: [Foreign Medical Schools: A Good Investment or Bad Medicine for Taxpayers?](#)

Dr. Marriott was awarded her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine in 2009. She graduated from Oakwood College (now Oakwood University) in Huntsville, Alabama in 2003 with a Bachelor of Science in Biology. She continued on to earn her Master of Public Health degree with a concentration in Health Behavior, Health Promotion from The Ohio State University College of Public Health in 2004. She completed a three-year pediatric internship and residency training program at Palms West Hospital in Loxahatchee, Florida in 2012. Dr. Marriott is board certified in Pediatrics by the American Osteopathic Board of Pediatrics.

Upon completion of her residency training, Dr. Marriott joined the faculty of Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. In addition to her role as a practicing pediatrician in the University's Health Care Center, she serves as an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Public Health in the College of Osteopathic Medicine where she provides instruction to undergraduate and graduate medical education trainees as well as Master of Public Health degree candidates. Furthermore, she currently participates in the work of a number of committees including the Admissions Committee, Medical Centers' Advisory Board, and the Scholarship, Honors and Awards Committee.

Dr. Marriott is a current member of the American Osteopathic Association, the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians (ACOP), the Florida Osteopathic Medical Association, and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP). During her final year of residency she provided leadership as the Chief Pediatric Resident, as well as held the role of District X Coordinator (comprising Alabama, Georgia, Florida and Puerto Rico) for the AAP's Section on Medical Students, Residents, and Fellowship Trainees. While attending Ohio University she served as Chapter Secretary for the Student National Medical Association as well as the Christian Medical and Dental Association. Currently, Dr. Marriott is the Public Health Section Co-Editor for the ACOP's *eJournal* Editorial Board.

Emanating from her participation in the disaster relief efforts following the 2010 earthquake in Haiti, she has developed an interest in and passion for advocating on behalf of pediatric disaster preparedness. Specifically, she continues to work with the AAP's Disaster Preparedness Advisory Council to advocate for the education of medical students and residents in pediatric disaster preparedness issues.

She is married to her husband who serves as a firefighter/paramedic in South Florida, and is the mother of a toddler-aged son as well as step-mother of a teenage son.

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

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**Brian Marshall, D.O.**  
**Mayfield Heights, Ohio**



**Graduation PowerPoint:** [Primary Care Health Care Workforce Gap](#)

Dr. Marshall received his Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1992. He graduated with an M.B.A. from Cleveland State University in 2008. He graduated from The College of Wooster in 1987 with a B.A. in Psychology. He completed a one year rotating internship at Brentwood Hospital (now Southpointe Hospital) in 1993. He then completed a family practice residency program at Grandview Hospital in 1996, followed by a second residency at Southpointe Hospital in Emergency Medicine. He is board Certified in Family Practice by the American Osteopathic Board of Family Practice (ACOFP) and in Emergency Medicine by the American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine Physicians (ACOEP).

He has practiced as a Locum Tenens Physicians with Comp Health, and then as US Navy Flight Surgeon between 1996 and 2000 with VP-46 completing both deployments to the Gulf and the West Pac. Dr. Marshall then worked in Occupational Medicine for US Health Works. After finishing his second residency, Dr. Marshall has been working primarily as an Emergency Medicine physician, currently at Hillcrest Emergency Department, Level 2 Trauma Center. He has also been the Medical Director in the past for two Twinsburg Urgent Care facilities and for Meridia's five Hospital Occupational Medicine and Employee Health Departments.

Dr. Marshall is a member of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), The American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP), and the American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine Physicians (ACOEP). He is also a committee member for medical records and billing best practices.

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**Monte Mitchell, D.O., J.D.**  
**Fort Worth, Texas**



**Graduation PowerPoint:** [Price Transparency, All-Payer Claims Database \(APCD\), and the Provider: Can Anything Save Our Health Care Dollars?](#)

Policy Poster - Awarded Honorable Mention: [All-Payer Claims Database: Providing FACTS so Patients Can Chose Value](#)

Monte Mitchell is a fifth generation Texan that studied Public Health at the University of Texas systems. He graduated from University of North Texas Health Science Center/ Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1983 and trained in surgery until 1988. Monte graduated with a JD from Texas Wesleyan University School of Law in 1994.

Dr. Mitchell is a physician attorney mediator who has attended seminary and has training and interest in healthcare mediation, complex commercial mediation, politics, medical policy, healthcare, healthcare law, and business. Dr. Mitchell is also a building contractor in Texas who has extensive experience in land development, construction of custom homes, and the oil/gas industry. He is a triple board certified physician and surgeon in the State of Texas: certified in family, emergency, and hospital medicine. In addition, he has received double fellowships in family and emergency medicine.

Since 1994, Monte has run the small solo firm of Monte Mitchell, Attorney at Law. He ran for State Representative in 1998, 2000, and 2012. He focuses in the legal areas of construction law, medical malpractice, oil and gas, family law, and personal injury. He ran a near free clinic at Christ for the Nations Institute in Dallas for 6 years as a medical missionary and now runs three active companies: 3M Financial Network, Inc., Mark 1 Homes, and Sentinel, LLC.

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**Maria Maratta Plummer, M.D.**  
**Garden City, New York**



**Graduation PowerPoint:** [Reference Pricing - Reducing Prescription Drug Prices: Lessons Learned](#)

Dr. Plummer received her medical degree from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey – Robert Wood Johnson Medical School (Piscataway, NJ) in 1990. She graduated from Vassar College (Poughkeepsie, NY) in 1986 with a B.A. in Biology. She began an internship in Pediatrics at Stony Brook University Hospital on Long Island, NY in 1990 but then switched to a Clinical Pathology residency at Winthrop University Hospital in Mineola, NY in July 1991 and was board certified in Clinical Pathology in 1995. She then worked part-time as a Clinical Pathologist at LabCorp (Uniondale, NY) and was on the part-time Courtesy Staff of Winthrop University Hospital, but returned to complete an Anatomic Pathology residency in 1998 and became board certified in Anatomic Pathology in 2000.

Dr. Plummer was hired as a full time staff pathologist at Winthrop University Hospital in January 2001, covering both the clinical and anatomical pathology services at Winthrop and also at New Island Hospital in Bethpage, NY. She concurrently had an appointment as a Clinical Instructor in the Department of Pathology at the State University of New York-Stony Brook University Hospital. She held a New York Certificate of Qualification as a Laboratory Director. She sat on the Hospital Abbreviation Committee and was heavily involved in Tumor Board weekly meetings and other interdepartmental conferences. In 2006, Dr. Plummer left Winthrop to take a position as a staff pathologist in the Division of Gastrointestinal Pathology at LabCorp (Laboratory Corporation of America) in Uniondale, NY where she remained for one year. In 2008 she took her current position as an Assistant Professor at New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine, starting in the Biomedical Sciences Department and since April 2013 is a member of the newly formed Medical Education Department. Dr. Plummer won the Outstanding Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching Clinical Sciences in 2011 and the Outstanding Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching Basic Sciences in 2013. She is a thread course coordinator for the Introduction to Osteopathic Medicine course and a faculty advisor for the American Medical Student Association (AMSA) and the Student Organization for Hematology and Oncology (SOHO). She sits on the Technical Advisory Committee, Biosafety Committee, and has sat on the Grievance committee of the Faculty Senate. She has also conducted interviews for Admissions.

Dr. Plummer is the past Secretary of the Nassau County Society of Pathologists (2001 – 2004) as well as the Society's past membership coordinator (2009 – 2011). She has been a member of the American Medical Association since 1990, the American Society for Clinical Pathology (Fellow) since 1996, and the College of American Pathologists (Fellow) since 2000. She is also a member of the Group for Research in Pathology Education since 2008.

New York Institute of Technology College of Osteopathic Medicine sponsors Dr. Plummer's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Robin Richardson, D.O,  
Portland, Oregon**



**Graduation PowerPoint: [Can Telemedicine Solve the Healthcare Access Problem for Rural America's Elderly and Poor?](#)**

Dr. Richardson received his Doctor of Osteopathy (Osteopathic Medicine) degree from the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific in 1986. He graduated from Willamette University in 1977 with a B.S. degree in Biology. He obtained his Physician's Assistant Certificate from Stephens College in 1978. He completed his one year rotating internship at Eastmoreland Hospital in 1987. He became a Costin Scholar in 2012. He is board certified in Family Medicine by the American Osteopathic Board of Family Practice.

He has been in Family Practice for 26 years. During his spare time he has also worked in Emergency Medicine and Immediate Care. At Eastmoreland Hospital he was chair of Quality Management for 14 years, twice Chief of Staff and Chairman of the Family Practice department. He served as the Hospital representative of the Hospital Staff on the Multnomah County Medical Society, as well as serving on the Hospital Board of Trustees for 6 years. He served the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon as a member of the board, rising through the offices to the rank of President in 2001-2003. He has served as president of the Oregon chapter of the ACOFP, and as President of the Northwest Osteopathic Medical Foundation. He has been honored as Physician of the Year by the Osteopathic Physicians of Oregon, Medical Professional of the Year by the local chapter of ARC, and received the J. Scott Heatherington D.O. Lifetime Achievement award from the Northwest Osteopathic Medical Foundation. From 2001-2006, Dr. Richardson was the Medical Director of FamilyCare Inc, an osteopathic-based health care organization in Oregon. Since 2006, Dr Richardson has served on the Board of Directors of FamilyCare and is the current Board Secretary.

Dr Richardson is a Member of the American Osteopathic Association and has been a member of their House of Delegates for 15 years. He is a member of the Osteopathic Physician and Surgeons of Oregon, the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians, the Northwest Osteopathic Medical Foundation, and the Medical Society of Metropolitan Portland. He is a Clerkship director for COMP-NW, and has served as a clinical instructor for Western University of Health Sciences, Touro University, Midwestern University, Glendale and Pacific University.

FamilyCare Inc. sponsors Dr Richardson's participation in the Health Policy Fellowship.

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**Jeanne Rupert, D.O.**  
**Mount Vernon, Washington**



**Graduation PowerPoint:** [Cost-Shifting to Medicare Beneficiaries: A Route to Decreased Access and Increased Cost](#)

Policy Poster - Awarded First Place: [Cost-Shifting to Medicare Beneficiaries: A Route to Decreased Access and Increased Cost](#)

Jeanne L. Rupert, DO, PhD, graduated from Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1999. She completed a traditional rotating internship and Family Practice residency at O'Bleness Memorial Hospital in Athens, Ohio. She received her AOBFP board certification in 2002. Prior to entering the osteopathic medical profession, she earned a BA in Spanish from Gannon University in Erie, PA, and then an MA in Economics and PhD in History from the Ohio State University. She taught undergraduates for several years before entering OU-HCOM.

From 2003 to 2010, Dr. Rupert was self-employed as an osteopathic physician in Santa Rosa, CA. She participated in clinical teaching of medical students and residents. In 2010, she was appointed Director of Medical Education and Family Medicine Residency Program Director at Skagit Valley Hospital in Mount Vernon, WA. Working with PNWU-COM, she established one of the first new osteopathic residency programs in the Pacific Northwest.

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