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Student Experiences: From the AAO Convocation 2017

By COMS Staff

COMS helped fund four students from UNECOM to attend the American Academy of Osteopathy Convocation held at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs, CO from March 22–26. They've shared with Connections these short essays about their experience.

► Emilie Heidel, OMS-I

Earlier this year I had the amazing opportunity to attend Convocation with many of my classmates and instructors from the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine. At the conference, I was able to attend lectures combining osteopathic techniques with physiology, nutrition, and mental health. In student workshops, I was introduced to new HVLA techniques, cranial technique, and the fascial distortion model, among others. In the evenings,

I and the other students had the opportunity to watch amazing osteopaths treat us and each other—teachers from other schools as well as practicing osteopaths.

As a first-year student, I know I have a very long way to go in osteopathy. Sometimes when we're in class, studying biochemical pathways and staring at pictures of vertebrae, it can be hard to see the real-world applications to what we're learning, to remember why we're

in medical school. Convocation was a wonderful reminder of why I want to be a physician. After attending this conference, I was inspired to keep studying hard, fortified with new ideas and the inspiration of new role models.

I want to thank the Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society for their generous support in helping to send me and other students to Convocation. It was really appreciated, a wonderful investment in our future—and one that I hope we will be able to begin to pay back soon, as future osteopathic physicians.

► Kate Brod, OMS-I

Attending the American Academy of Osteopathy's 2017 Convocation event was an opportunity made available to me through my involvement with University of New England College of Osteopathic

Medicine's SAAO chapter and the Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society. After hearing about the valuable experiences past SAAO members had upon attending the conference, I was intrigued and pursued more information. Upon realizing the various networking opportunities, student workshops, and one-on-one training with Osteopathic Manipulation experts, I decided it was an opportunity I did not want to pass up. Held at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs, Colorado, from March 22-26, 2017, osteopaths, faculty, and medical students from all over the United States congregated to share five days educating and enlightening each other.

I had attended professional conferences in the past, and served as my undergraduate university's representative at an

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Bits&Pieces

D'Agostino Named KCU-COM Executive Dean

by COMS Staff

Darrin D'Agostino, DO, COMS Immediate Past President, has been named the Executive Dean of the Kansas City University College of Osteopathic Medicine and the Vice President for Health Affairs. He came to KCU from the University of North Texas Health Science Center in Fort Worth, Texas, where he served as associate dean of Community Health and Innovation. He also chaired the University's Department of Medicine for eight years.



Prior to that experience, Dr. D'Agostino held the position of director for the osteopathic internal medicine residency program and also directed osteopathic medical education for both University of Connecticut School of Medicine and Hartford Hospital.

Connecticut Magazine's Top Doctors for 2017

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- Andrew Yuan, DO (*Physical Medicine*)

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international pre-medical conference. I had experienced first-hand the importance and value in networking with other professionals, and the activities excited me for the road ahead in medical school. Participating in the AAO Convocation gave me similar excitement and insight into the impact I can have on my future patients. I realized how many ways I could incorporate and tailor osteopathic manipulation into each patient’s personalized treatment plan. Various research presentations and informative lectures were eye-opening into the many facets that OMM continues to be applied and improved for today’s patients. I also became more confident in the realistic application of my OMM skills, something that is hard to hone in on while we are still in the OMM Lab. Additionally, the networking experiences with other students, faculty, and UNECOM alumni were invaluable! I truly made the most of the conference, and returned to UNECOM inspired, motivated, and with many new pearls of wisdom.

► **Natalie Monroe, OMS-II**

Dr. Sutherland once said, “To the digger who will take the time to dream, and the dreamer who will wake up and dig, the science of Osteopathy will unfold into a magnitude equal to that of the heavens.” That is what I was thinking as I flew above the clouds on my return flight from Colorado after AAO Convocation this spring. This week inspired us to do both such things, as we learned from the biggest names in Osteopathy. I was awed by listening to lectures by experts in their field. I was inspired by the mentors I met and the teachers who were more than willing to guide a student, a beginner like myself. I was challenged by the lab sessions that asked us to reach outside of ourselves and feel without looking, find without seeking, and dream.

Being a medical student is all about looking to the future and looking to what is next. AAO Convocation was an amazing opportunity to be in the present with so many talented and hardworking physicians. I enjoyed learning from students, both those further along in their education as well as those that were just starting out. Our schools are all so different, and yet I came to find we all had very similar goals and dreams and aspirations. As students, we are always trying to be great

and feel more, do more, learn more. It was so powerful to pause, and realize that the end goal is not to get a certain score on a test or get chosen for the perfect residency. The goal is to help people heal, to make them whole and find the health. The goal is to become physicians, and to learn from our patients and from each other. After all, as doctors we will always be learning.

This experience afforded us students a chance to learn about the culture of Osteopathy and about the community of strong and enlightened physicians that we will soon be joining. It was a celebration of our craft and an opportunity for us to all learn together and from each other, from the first year student all the way to the Attendings and Fellows. This conference was both empowering and humbling, but most of all exciting! In today’s world, it is too easy to get bogged down by life and all its challenges. Sometimes, as students, we forget that life is a gift. And moreover, this opportunity was a gift. It has been a privilege to spend the last two years embarking on a career in Osteopathy and I am so grateful for all the experiences and amazing people I have encountered so far. And so I would like to say, thank you. Thank you to the Connecticut Osteopathic Medical Society for sponsoring and supporting us students in attending Convocation this year. I cannot express in words what impression your gift has made on me. But as I drifted through the clouds, I knew that one day I will pay it forward. And that is such a beautiful gift.

► **Tiffany Cheung, OMS-II**

As my gaze wandered around the room overflowing with eager and excited students, I began to think of what Benjamin Franklin had once said, “Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn.” Each of us were enraptured by what the invited D.O. was teaching for an OMM workshop. Despite having large groups of students at each table, it did not deter any of their enthusiasm for practicing the techniques that the physician had previously demonstrated. In fact,

the students kept practicing the techniques, even well after the workshop was over and we continued practicing in between breaks from other didactic lectures offered.

Interspersed with these engaging workshops were evenings where physicians would treat and teach students certain OMM treatments that included craniosacral, muscle energy, articulatory, and high velocity/ low amplitude techniques. The abundant passion for osteopathic medicine was palpable throughout the entire conference and it was such a unique experience to allow hundreds of students from across the nation to gather and learn from internationally-renowned physicians. Not only have I made life-long friendships from this conference, but I have also developed a deeper appreciation for osteopathic medicine and it has inspired me to be more confident to incorporate it as a form of treatment for patients in my upcoming clerkship rotations.

This would not have been possible without you and I am extremely grateful for your generous support because this experience has undoubtedly refined my skills and abilities to help provide the most optimal care for future patients. Thank you for the opportunity to participate in such an uplifting experience that I will cherish for the rest of my life.



ROME PREVIEW 2017

Our annual CME event is right around the corner. COMS is partnering again with the Rhode Island Society of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons (RISOPS), the Massachusetts Osteopathic Society (MOS), and the AOA to co-sponsor the Regional Osteopathic Medical Education (ROME) New England Event at the Hyatt Regency in Cambridge, Massachusetts from August 17th-20th. Shortly after last year's successful event, the planning committee has been working to bring our membership the opportunity to earn CME credits while getting valuable updates in clinical medicine.

Beginning Thursday afternoon, the event kicks off with important topics of chronic pain management and opiate addiction. Friday's topics will focus on updates in Internal/Family Medicine and will also feature several sessions that fulfill State Mandated requirements for licensure. (Please see the program for specific Connecticut mandated topics). COMS's membership meeting will be taking place Friday morning at 9:30am. Saturday will again offer Updates in Internal/Family Medicine. The afternoon will add multiple OMT/OMM lectures and interactive workshops. Finally, Sunday will wrap-up the conference with a new track: Functional Medicine and Natural Remedies.

All members of COMS are encouraged to attend this important ROME event. Remember, our organization benefits directly from your participation. Online registration is quick and easy at www.osteopathic.org/ROME but closes August 7, so HURRY!

See you in Boston!



August 2017 President's Update

Dear colleagues and friends,

I hope summer is treating you well. Take time to enjoy the summer weather and the outdoors. It is a great time to connect to wellness!

Speaking of "Connect to Wellness," it is the theme of our annual meeting, ROME New England, and will be held in Boston, Aug 17-20 in collaboration with RISOPS, MOS, and the AOA. Our conference will start on Thursday afternoon with Addiction Medicine track and end on Sunday with our own Nick Palermo, DO, leading the session on Functional Medicine and natural remedies. Online registration and the hotel block is still open. Please visit www.ctosteopathic.org for details. I hope to see you there! For those attending, our membership meeting will be held on the Friday morning of the conference. Thanks again to Ruth Benet, DO, and Tricia Hall, DO, for serving with me on the planning committee.

Welcome to the DOs joining or returning to Connecticut this year, especially the incoming interns and residents across the state. We look forward to meeting you and let us know what COMS can do for you. Please reach out to your osteopathic colleagues and let them know about COMS.

As a reminder, please keep COMS updated with your current contact info and any news you may have to share with our members. For those with Facebook, LinkedIn, or Twitter accounts, please find COMS and stay connected!

Wishing you good health,

Gregory R. Czarnecki, DO

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PROGRAM

ROME New England August 17–20, 2017

at the Hyatt Regency, Cambridge, MA

PLEASE NOTE: Program details are subject to change without notice. Last revised: 7/14/2017

Thursday, Aug. 17	PRESENTATIONS/EVENTS	SPEAKER	SPECIALTY
11 am–6 pm	<i>Registration</i>		
2–2:15 pm	Welcome, Opening Remarks	Ronald R. Burns, DO	FOM
TRACK: Addiction Prevention—What Physicians Can Do			
2:15–3:15 pm	DIY Recovery Plan for the Uninsured in a Heroin Crisis	Merideth Norris, DO, FACOFP	FOM
3:15–4 pm	Office-Based Treatment of Addiction and Chronic Pain	Elizabeth Davis, MD	IM, NP, PsychM
4–4:15 pm	<i>Break</i>		
4–6 pm	<i>Exhibitor Setup</i>		
4:15–5:15 pm	Management of Opioid Use Disorder* MA, RI	Jessica Gray, MD	FM
TRACK: Practice of Medicine			
5:15–6 pm	Top Practice-Related Challenges Facing AOA Physicians in 2017	Cindy Penkala, CMM, CMPE, CMSCS, CPOM	
Friday, Aug. 18	PRESENTATIONS/EVENTS	SPEAKER	SPECIALTY
6:30 am–7 pm	<i>Registration</i>		
6:30–7 am	<i>Exhibitor Setup</i>		
7 am–7 pm	<i>Exhibit Hall Open</i>		
7–8 am	<i>Breakfast in Exhibit Hall</i>		
TRACK: Updates in Internal Medicine			
7:30–8:30 am	Getting to Goal Can Be Difficult: Advancing T2DM Therapy with Confidence	Aaron King, MD	FM
TRACK: State Mandates			
8:30–9:30 am	Cultural Competency and the Physically Challenged Patient* CT	Richard Jermyn, DO	PMR
9:30–10 am	<i>Break in Exhibit Hall</i>		
9:30–10 am			
10–11 am	To Save a Life is to Save the Whole World: Domestic Violence Lethality Prevention in Health Care* CT	Danica Delgado, MSW, LCSW	
11 am–Noon	"Slavery is a Weed that Grows on Every Soil": Human Trafficking and the Healthcare Provider's Role* CT	Danica Delgado, MSW, LCSW	

Noon–1 pm	Risk Management: Reduction of Medical Errors* ^{CT, MA, RI}	Ronald Burns, DO	FOM
1–1:30 pm	<i>Lunch served in Exhibit Hall</i>		
TRACK: Practice of Medicine			
1:30–2 pm	Update on the Osteopathic Profession	TBD	
TRACK: What I Don't Know About Infectious Diseases			
2–3 pm	Probiotics 2017: Fulfilling the Promise	Peter Buch, MD, AGAF, FACP	IM, GE
3–4 pm	Antibiotic Stewardship in Primary Care* ^{CT, RI}	Cheston B. Cunha, MD	IM, ID
4–4:30 pm	<i>Break in Exhibit Hall</i>		
4:30–5:30 pm	Lyme Disease* ^{CT}	Meghan May, PhD	
6–7 pm	<i>Reception in Exhibit Hall, co-sponsored by UNECOM</i>		
7–7:30 pm	<i>Exhibit Hall Breakdown</i>		
Saturday, Aug. 19	PRESENTATIONS/EVENTS	SPEAKER	SPECIALTY
6:30 am–5:30 pm	<i>Registration</i>		
6:45–8 am	<i>Breakfast Served</i>		
TRACK: Updates in Internal Medicine			
8–9 am	Cognitive Testing for Dementia	Elizabeth Phung, DO	
9–10 am	Benzodiazepines and the Elderly	Angela Haliburda, DO	
10–10:15 am	<i>Break</i>		
10–10:30 am	<i>RISOPS Membership Meeting (concurrent w/break – partial overlap)</i>		
10:15–11:15 am	Famous People with Diabetes: A Case Study Exploring the Use of New and Emerging Basal Insulins	Aaron King, MD	FM
11:15 am–12:15 pm	Update: The State of HIV in 2017* ^{CT}	David Stein, DO	IM
12:15–12:30 pm	<i>Lunch Served</i>		
TRACK: OMM/OMT			
12:30–1:30 pm	The Single Accreditation System: An Opportunity to Advance the Profession with Osteopathic Recognition	Michael Rowane, DO, MS, FAAFP, FAAO	FOM, NMO
1:30–3:15 pm	Approaching Common Problems of the Head and Neck with OMT in a Busy Clinical Setting	Michael Rowane, DO, MS, FAAFP, FAAO	FOM, NMO
3:15–3:30 pm	<i>Break</i>		
3:30–5 pm	OMT Workshops: A Round Robin (<i>three 30-min concurrent workshops, each offered 3x</i>)		
	1. Current Concepts in Health Care: UNECOM NMMD/OMM Residency	Guy DeFeo, DO	OMM, FOM
	2. Review of Muscle Energy, HVLA, and Facilitated Positional Release	Nicholas Phillips, DO	
	3. Widening the Lens: Screening and Appreciating the Influence of Distant Structures on Somatic Dysfunction	Charles Lehnardt, DO	FOM, NMO

5–5:15 pm	Wrap-Up Questions & Answers	Guy DeFeo, DO Nicholas Phillips, DO Charles Lehnardt, DO	OMM, FOM FOM, NMO
4–5:30 pm	<i>UNECOM Potential Student Reception</i>		
6 pm	<i>MOS Membership Meeting & Social</i>		
Sunday, Aug. 20	PRESENTATIONS/EVENTS	SPEAKER	SPECIALTY
7 am–noon	<i>Registration Open</i>		
7–8 am	<i>Breakfast</i>		
TRACK: Functional Medicine and Natural Remedies			
7:30–8:30 am	What is Functional Medicine and How Will It Help My Patients?	Nicholas J. Palermo, DO, MS	FOM
8:30–9:30 am	Not Just Seen on TV: Top 10 Supplements to Actually Know	Lauren Young, ND and Ruth Benet, DO	
9:30–9:45 am	<i>Break</i>		
9:45–11 am	Personalized Compounding Formulas to Enhance Patient Outcomes	Gene Gresh, Jr., RPh, FIACP, IFMCP and Nicholas J. Palermo, DO, MS	FOM
11 am–noon	Case Studies: Functional Medicine Approaches to Diagnoses and Treatment	Nicholas J. Palermo, DO, MS (moderator) Lauren Young, ND Ruth Benet, DO Gene Gresh, Jr., RPh, FIACP, IFMCP	FOM
Noon	<i>Conference Adjourns</i>		

* Several of the presentations at ROME 2017 New England satisfy CME mandated topics for license renewal. These sessions will be noted by an asterisk (*) followed by the specific co-sponsoring states' abbreviation(s). For your convenience and for your own licensing records, please know that these topics and credits earned will be listed on attendees' CME certificates.

SPECIALTIES *(in process)*:

FOM	Family Practice/OMT
FM	Family Practice
GE	Sports Medicine/Family Practice
ID	Infectious Diseases
IM	Internal Medicine
NMO	Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine/OMT
OMM	Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
NP	Neurology/Psychiatry
PMR	Rheumatology
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Resident Updates

Eastern Connecticut Health Network (ECHN) Family Medicine

By Ruth Benet, DO

Time goes by quickly for the 33 residents at the Family Medicine Residency at Manchester Memorial Hospital (MMH), and traditional rotating internship.

In May, we had a lovely beach retreat at the home of COMS board treasurer James B. Ryan, DO and his wife Barbara. It was a wonderful opportunity to reflect on positive energy and all of the learning that has occurred recently.

In June, we had our interview and site visit with ACGME. We will find out more about our accreditation this fall. As many are aware, nationally the residencies are moving to a single accreditation system which eliminates the separate matches for osteopathic and allopathic programs. While this is exciting in many ways, it comes with a lot of necessary work receiving ACGME accreditation and developing a specific tract to allow osteopathic physicians to continuously work to improve their manual treatments. In our program, we are lucky to have NMM board certified Michael Waddington, DO to lead this tract and also the NMM fellowship program.

On June 19 we welcomed a brand new group of Family Medicine Residents, two new Neuromuscular Medicine Fellows and six traditional rotating interns. They look quite smart as they begin on that journey from “I graduated medical school” to “I am a functioning, confident doctor”. They are embarking on a well-rounded curriculum that includes weekly continuity at a pediatrics office and an opportunity to join an



organized global health track to Guatemala as well as continued involvement with the children’s hospital, the mobile health unit and the nursing home.

As with all beginnings come endings, and we are pleased to send off nine fine new attending physicians. Most of them already have their board certification from the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians and all have exciting plans. Of their declared plans: three will be in California, one in Pennsylvania, and five will be in New England next year! For those keeping track, there will be at least three (maybe four) full time primary care graduates in the Manchester area, per diem hospitalists at MMH, and hopefully a returning sports medicine fellowship trained family doc!

The goal here east of the river continues to be educating happy, healthy, and harmonious family medicine doctors who are trained and ready to serve our community.

See you at ROME New England!

▲ ECHN Family Medicine Residency class of 2017. Left to right: Cat Leng, DO Ruth Benet, DO, Leah Kims, DO, Dayanthi Kurukulasuriya, DO, Vijay Venugopal, DO, Jensil Philip, DO, Daniela Robinson, DO, and Julia Vitali, DO. Not pictured: Kelli Harper, DO.



▲ Current and past chiefs of the ECHN family medicine residency program

Fellows Starting July 2017

Anthony King, DO
Daniella Robinson, DO

▼ ECHN Family Medicine Residency



Resident Updates

UConn Internal Medicine

By Jaclyn Cox, DO

The University of Connecticut's Internal Medicine Residency is kicking off its new academic year with an exciting start! After a successful recruitment season we have six new osteopathic physicians joining our recognition track from all along the east coast.

We are very proud of our seven graduating seniors who will be going off into several different fellowships including cardiology, geriatrics and sports medicine as well as hospital medicine and academic primary care. They will be very missed. We are also very happy to have one of our senior residents stay on as a chief medical resident!

Our residents continue to enjoy our affiliation with our OPTI and pictured you will see them enjoying a relaxing day of OMT education sessions!

Despite being busy with their clinical work and providing excellent care for our patients in Connecticut they have all been working hard on their academic careers. **Rohini Manaktala, DO** (PGY2) and **Nha Duong, DO** (PGY1) recently participated in the Northeast Osteopathic Medical Education Network (NEOMEN) 16th Annual Research and Scholarship Forum in Maine and Dr. Manaktala brought home first place in the resident's poster competition!

We look forward to this upcoming academic year and the continued success of all of our residents.



▲ (from left to right)

Bottom: Jaclyn Cox, DO, Josh Fakess, DO, Parin Shah, DO, Marianna Mavilia, DO, Megan Kaknis, DO, Karan Lal, DO, Patrick Gotimer, DO

Middle: Tony Wang, DO, Elizabeth Ehrlich, DO, Alexander Miller, DO, Rebecca Spear, DO

Top: Joseph Chapman, DO, Zackary Tushak, DO, Lauren Spaciano, DO, Serena Wong, DO

Legislative Overview

Summer 2017

- The AOA and COMS jointly commented on **SB 876**, which relates to payment of out-of-network health care providers. We supported the bill's goals of protecting patients from unexpected medical bills, but expressed concerns that some aspects of the bill could lead to diminished access to timely care for patients with legitimate pain care needs. The bill is currently pending in the Senate.
- **CT HB 7052** requires electronic submission of opioid prescriptions to pharmacy except in the case of temporary technological failure. The bill is currently pending in the Joint General Law Committee.
- **CT HB 6015** protects patients from unexpected medical bills. The bill is currently pending in the Joint Public Health Committee.
- **CT HB 6175** requires creation of a plan to ensure continuity of affordable health coverage if the ACA is repealed. The bill is currently awaiting action in the House.
- **CT HB 6697** requires a pharmacist to review the PDMP prior to dispensing an opioid medication. The bill is currently pending in the Joint Public Health Committee.
- **CT HB 6250** allows naturopathic physicians to prescribe medication pursuant to a collaborative agreement with a licensed physician OR advanced practice registered nurse. The bill was referred to the Joint Committee on Public Health on 1/20.
- **CT SB 28** allows advanced practice registered nurses to conclude that a person has psychiatric disabilities and is dangerous to himself or herself or others for purposes of confinement to a hospital. The bill was referred to the Joint Committee on Public Health on 1/9.
- **CT SB 29** allows new advanced practice registered nurses to collaborate with experienced advanced practice registered nurses. The bill was referred to the Joint Committee on Public Health on 1/9.

CALL FOR UPDATES

To all members:

If you have any updates that you would like to include in upcoming newsletters or would just like to share with the general membership, we would love to hear from you! Whether it's graduating from UNECOM, starting a residency or practice, or photographs from a CME event, COMS is a family and we are committed to keeping each other connected and in touch. And if you've only just recently joined COMS, tell us about yourself — what you do and where you're located.

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