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Speaker Biographies

Ronald Ashkenasy, DO '86, JD received his medical degree from UNECOM in 1986 and his J.D. from the University of Connecticut in 1994. He is currently a clinical preceptor for 1st and 2nd year UNECOM students. He practices Urgent Care at Mercy Westbrook and is a frequent lecturer on medical-legal topics.

Peter Bell, DO '84 MBA, HPF, FACOEP-Dist., FACEP is a 1980 graduate of Hamilton College and obtained his medical degree from the UNECOM in 1984. He completed residencies in Family Medicine and Emergency Medicine and is board certified in both. His first job was as Medical Director of the Emergency Department at Doctors Hospital/OhioHealth in Columbus Ohio. He established the first emergency medicine residency at Doctors Hospital in 1991, and has been an attending faculty member at Doctors Hospital for the past 26 years. Dr Bell was appointed Assistant Dean for the Ohio University CORE system in 1995. He has since completed a 2 year Fellowship in Academic Administration at OUHCOM, a Health Policy Fellowship through the AOA/OUHCOM, and in 2002 was promoted to Clinical Professor of Emergency Medicine. Actively engaged in clinical teaching, research, and education, Dr Bell saw a need for advanced expertise in business management. In 2008, he graduated first in his class from the Ohio University MBA program. Dr Bell has also served in several leadership positions: President of the Ohio Osteopathic Association, President of Ohio Chapter American College of Emergency Physicians, and more recently as national President of the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians (2006-08). Dr Bell continues to serve on a variety of state and national bureaus and committees. He has a passion for osteopathic medicine, teaches osteopathic diagnosis and treatment, and is active in formulation of health policy. Since 2002, Dr Bell has served as Chair of the Ohio Osteopathic Association's Health Policy Committee. More recently, he was designated Master Clinical Faculty by Ohio University, and in 2012 awarded the Bruce Horton Lifetime Achievement Award by his peers in emergency medicine. Dr Bell lives in both Hilliard and Athens, Ohio with his wife Irene and their four children. He loves to travel, do yard work, and projects.

Jacquelyn Cawley, DO '89 is a graduate of State University of New York at Buffalo. She received her medical degree from UNECOM. In addition to practicing as a Family Medicine physician, Dr. Cawley has held a number of physician leadership positions including Medical Director of the University Health Care at the UNE, Assistant Chief, Family Medicine Department at Maine Medical Center, Vice President of Population Health at Martin's Point Health Care and interim Dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine and Vice President for Clinical Affairs at UNE.

More recently, Dr. Cawley has been the Associate Chief Medical Officer and Chief Medical Information Officer for Clinical Integration at MaineHealth and has been leading efforts to improve systems of care for patients and providers, with a focus on the use of technology to enhance clinical integration, care coordination and health information exchange. Dr. Cawley is an innovative physician executive with 19 years' experience in leading and managing physicians and clinical care teams in a variety of academic and healthcare settings. She has presented locally, regionally, and nationally on topics such as Open Access, Group Medical Visits, Patient Centered Medical Homes and Team Based Care, Clinical Microsystems, and Practice Redesign. In addition, she developed and implemented an innovative population health management model in her role at Martin's Point Health Care. Dr. Cawley is currently the director for the MaineHealth Physician Leadership Fellowship program and co-chair of a Maine statewide Physician Leadership initiative with the Hanley Leadership Center. Dr. Cawley is the past President of the Medical Staff at Maine Medical Center and is the first woman and osteopathic physician to hold this position.

Charles Cichon, BS is the executive director of the National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators (NADDI), a nonprofit organization that facilitates cooperation among law enforcement, health care professionals, state regulatory agencies and pharmaceutical manufacturers in the investigation and prevention of prescription drug abuse and diversion. Cichon brings a diverse background to this role, including his work in law enforcement, health regulatory agencies and the pharmaceutical industry. In addition to his role as executive director of NADDI, Charlie is also the program manager for the National Precursor Log Exchange a real-time electronic tracking program for pseudoephedrine, offered free to states as an effective alternative to legislation that eliminates over-the-counter pseudoephedrine products. Prior to joining NADDI, Charlie worked for Eli Lilly and Company in the role of brand protection representative for the Americas. Charlie's responsibilities included managing diversion and counterfeit investigations involving Eli Lilly products throughout the Americas; serving as liaison with law enforcement and government agencies; as well as training local, state and federal law enforcement in the identification of counterfeit Eli Lilly products. Charlie also served as the chief compliance investigator for the Maryland Medical Board (part of the Maryland Department of Health & Mental Hygiene), where he supervised investigations of physicians and other allied health care professionals to ensure they were complying with state regulations. Recognized as an international expert on pharmaceutical abuse and diversion, Charlie has lectured extensively on the topics of counterfeit pharmaceuticals, prosecution of pharmaceutical diversion. Charlie started his career as a police officer with the Baltimore City Police in the Criminal Investigation Division. He earned his bachelor's degree in criminal justice

from the University of Baltimore, and he is a member of the American Society for Industrial Security (ASIS) Pharmaceutical Security Council

Barry Gendron, DO '89 is in private practice in Seacoast NH, working in a group with five other physiatrists. His clinical practice focuses on neuromusculoskeletal medicine. He has been using MSK US in the office since 2006. In addition to his office-based practice, he serves as a consultant to Wentworth Douglass Health System and Strafford Health Alliance, as their medical director of rehabilitation services. He has been a consultant to multiple disability insurance companies. He enjoys teaching and is an active community volunteer.

Matthew Gilbert, DO '03, MPH is an Assistant Professor of Medicine and Interim Director of the Endocrine Fellowship in the Division of Endocrinology and Diabetes at the University of Vermont College of Medicine, Burlington, Vermont. A graduate of UNECOM, Dr. Gilbert completed his internship and residency training in internal medicine at Bassett Medical Center, Cooperstown, New York, serving as chief medical resident in 2006-07. Dr. Gilbert received his Masters in Public Health from Boston University of Public Health in 1999 and a Bachelor of Science Degree from Susquehanna University in 1998. His current research interests include incretin hormones and their role in bone turnover and inpatient diabetes management. Dr. Gilbert is a member of the Endocrine Society, the American Association of Endocrinologists, and the American Diabetes Association.

Howard Glass, DO, FACC, FACOI is a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is board certified in both internal medicine and cardiology and practices invasive non-interventional cardiology in Westbrook, Maine and at the Maine Medical Center in Portland. He is a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology, as well as the American College of Osteopathic Internists. Dr. Glass has lectured extensively. He is clinical professor of internal medicine at UNECOM where he lectured in cardiology from 1989 to 2012. He has been actively teaching house staff since 1979. Aside from medicine, Dr. Glass enjoys sailing, reading and writing.

Mary Elizabeth Hanley, DO '95 is a clinical faculty member in the Graduate Medical Education Department at Kent Hospital in Rhode Island and Clinical Faculty in the Family Nurse Practitioner Program at the University of Cincinnati. A graduate of UNECOM, Dr. Hanley received her Bachelor of Science from Salve Regina University in 1985. She is board certified in Family Medicine, American Board of Osteopathic Family Physicians, has a NAUI Scuba Diver Certification and is a NOAA Dive Medical Officer. She is active in multiple professional societies, lectures throughout New England and volunteers in the community.

Mark Henschke, DO '88, PharmD, MMM is a board certified physician in both Internal Medicine and Medical Management. He currently holds the position of Clinical Assistant Professor in Internal Medicine at the UNECOM. He has been involved in teaching at many levels which has included the pharmacy and medical disciplines. He also holds a Doctor of Pharmacy

Degree from the University of Southern California and remains a registered pharmacist in both California and Nevada. He is a graduate of Carnegie Mellon University, H. John Heinz III School of Public Policy and Management in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania where he obtained an advanced Master of Medical Management degree. He has served on numerous healthcare related boards within New Hampshire and Maine on both state and local levels. He is currently the lead physician, Hospital Division, York Hospital, Maine.

Franklin Hubbell, DO '91 worked as a ski patrol director, rescue squad captain, and mountain rescue member before graduating from medical school. He is the past president of the American Alpine Club medical committee and past vice president of the European IIAA (International Union of Alpine Associations) Medical Commission. Frank currently serves as the medical director for NH Region V EMS Council and is a 20-year representative on the NH EMS Medical Control Board. As a founding partner of Saco River Medical Group, Frank is the Director of Conway Walk-In Care Center and Spine Center. In recent years Frank has also been teaching and providing medical care in Africa and most recently Haiti in addition to working on publications on remote and disaster medicine.

Eric Lubiner, DO '94 is proud to be a UNECOM graduate. He then did his Internal Medicine residency at Morristown Memorial Hospital and Hematology/Oncology Fellowship at UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. He has been in practice in Port Charlotte, Florida for 14 years. He is a clinical instructor at LECOM-Bradenton and has been Chief of Staff at two of the local hospitals. He is equally proud to have served on the committee that brought this program to you.

Lacey McIntosh, DO '10, MPH is currently a post graduate year five, chief resident at the University of Massachusetts in Worcester, Massachusetts. A graduate of UNECOM and UNE School of Public Health, class of 2010 with a DO and a MPH. Dr. McIntosh is a graduate of the College of the Holy Cross, class of 2005. She is originally from Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts.

Kristy Perkowski, DO '09, completed her residency in pediatrics in 2012 at the Golisano Children's Hospital at the University of Rochester Medical Center in Rochester, New York. She completed an additional year as chief resident and enjoyed the opportunity to educate medical students and residents. In 2012, Dr. Perkowski joined the faculty as an academic pediatrician at Rochester General Hospital where she worked in the urban outpatient clinic, newborn nursery, and on the general inpatient pediatric wards. She also continued her love for medical education and served as a preceptor for medical students and residents of all levels. Dr. Perkowski's professional interests include breastfeeding, asthma, bronchiolitis, ADHD and obesity. Dr. Perkowski is a new mother to two sons, Luke and Cole, and recently moved to South Portland, Maine with her family.

Erika Pierce, PA-C is a native of Maine. She was raised in St. Albans and now resides in Waterville with her husband Bill and their daughter, Julia. Erika is a 2005 graduate of the Physician Assistant Program at Nova Southeastern University in Ft. Lauderdale. Erika is active in the Maine Association of Physician Assistants and enjoys health policy and advocacy. She has served as director at large, alternate to the House of Delegates, president and chaired multiple committees for DEAPA over the years. Erika has a diverse clinical background that includes Family Practice, Emergency Medicine, Occupational Medicine, and inpatient hospital services. She currently works as a consultant with the academic detailing program, Maine Independent Clinical Information Service.

Ronald Pope, DO '98, is a dually Board Certified Family Physician through both the American Board of Family Physicians and the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians. He has the distinction of having held additional Board Certifications through the Board of Advanced Medical Coders as an Advanced Coding Specialist in Family Practice and Pediatrics and as an Evaluation and management coding specialist. Dr. Pope currently contributes to the New York State Academy of Family Physicians Professional Journal and was previously the Editor of the "Coding Chronical" a publication for providers and office staff that covers day to day coding issues. He is the CEO of Coding Consultants of New York, LLC a practice management consulting firm. Dr. Pope works as a Family Practitioner in Catskill, New York for Columbia Memorial Hospital and is the Medical Director for their outpatient centers.

Joseph Py, DO '84 is Board Certified by ACOFP. He completed training in Environmental and Nutritional Medicine through the American Academy of Environmental Medicine. He completed a two year Fellowship in Addiction Medicine in 1992. He also completed Basic and Intermediate training in Medical Hypnosis through the American Society of Clinical Hypnosis. He is currently the Corporate Medical Director of Discovery House. He is a Diplomat with the American Board of Addiction Medicine and Certified with the American Society of Addiction Medicine.

Charles Radis, DO has had the privilege of training medical students at UNECOM since 1983. His first job as a public health physician on the Casco Bay Islands gave him an appreciation of the challenges primary care physicians face in diagnosis but also in convincing their patients to make important changes in diet and to be compliant with medical treatment. Dr. Radis is a 1981 graduate of University of Health Sciences, College of Osteopathic Medicine in Kansas City, MO. He is in Private Practice at Rheumatology Associates in Portland, Maine. He is Board Certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Internal Medicine and in Rheumatology by the American Osteopathic Board of Internal Medicine.

Ryan Smith, DO '10 is assistant professor of psychiatry and pharmacology at UNECOM, and teaches a wide variety of pharmacology lectures to the medical students. He also is president of the UNECOM Alumni Association, and is involved in teaching osteopathic clinical skills to the medical students. Dr. Smith is a State of NH psychiatrist for the state psychiatric hospital in Concord, and is an attending psychiatrist at Calais Hospital and Eastport Health Care. He lives in Portland and precepts medical students in the office.

James Tracy, DO '84 divides his professional time seeing patients while managing a large, multi-state allergy immunology practice, teaching residents and allergy fellows at Creighton University. He is a graduate of the University of Maryland and received his DO degree from UNE, and allergy training at Wilford Hall USAF Medical Center. He continues to actively publish in the areas of insect allergy, anaphylaxis and chronic infections, and serves on the FDA Pulmonary-Allergy Advisory Committee.

Steven Weiss, DO '85 is in private practice in New York City where he is the medical director of The Medicine Lodge Clinic and is board certified in the specialty practice of Neuro-Musculoskeletal Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine. He consults in the fields of chronic pain, sports and performing arts medicine and in the treatment of prenatal and pediatric problems. He is internationally recognized for his effectiveness in helping people who are suffering from complex and difficult clinical cases. Additionally, he is an associate clinical professor with three osteopathic colleges. Dr Weiss has devoted his professional life to pursuing and applying those clinical/healing approaches that invoke and support the power of the human body to heal and regulate itself and approaches clinical problem-solving from more of a troubleshooting engineering perspective through evaluating and treating symptoms in the context of the whole body. His post-doctoral studies include training in specialized osteopathic practices, as well as with Rev Rosalyn Bruyere, founder of The Healing Light Center Church, in the applications of energy medicine to clinical practice. For over half of his life he has been adopted to the Zuni Bear Clan and a traditional Zuni religious/medicine society family. In 1973, Dr. Weiss graduated from Washington and Jefferson College in Pennsylvania with a B.A. in biology, and then completed several years of graduate study in insect ecology and zoology at the University of Maine, from 1974-1977. During this period he was supported by a grant from the National Science Foundation for environmental curriculum development at the University of Maine at Machias. He graduated from UNECOM in 1985 and was honored with the Dean's Award "for possessing those qualities that the faculty would seek in their own family physician." In 1986 he completed a rotating internship with Phoenix General Hospital in Arizona. His daughter Toby is a graduate of UNECOM ('06) and is currently practicing OB/GYN in Portland, Maine. Outside of his practice life, Dr. Weiss lectures and offers training programs in manual medicine, healing, and clinical problem- solving. He has also worked for many years as a professional musician. Every August finds him teaching traditional harmonica at The Maine Fiddle Camp on the central Maine coast.