



NATIONAL BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS

April 20, 2020

Nominating Committee
PA Osteopathic Family Physicians Society (POFPS)
1330 Eisenhower Blvd
Harrisburg, PA 17111

Dear Nominating Committee Members,

Please accept this letter of intent for my interest in the nomination for Secretary/Treasurer of the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Family Physicians Society (POFPS).

I have thoroughly enjoyed serving this organization for the past 6 years as a member of the Board of Trustees and feel this step is a great opportunity to continue this work. Having been a member of the organization for 20 years and seeing the strides made with organizational structure, engagement, and mission to advance osteopathic family medicine within the state of Pennsylvania, I wish to continue to assist that progress. This seems like the opportunity to do so.

In addition to bringing the knowledge and skills I have obtained working as an osteopathic family physician, I also have experience working in graduate medical education, licensure board examinations, and business leadership roles that have included budgetary responsibilities. In my current position as Vice President for Clinical Skills Testing with the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners, I oversee a department of more than 125 individuals with locations in 2 states and ensure delivery of a clinical skills licensure exam required of all osteopathic medical students. I believe these different experiences will help me fulfill the responsibilities of the position and bring a voice that understands some of the national discussions our profession faces in addition to the impact of state decisions on our membership.

Thank you for considering me for the nomination. It would be an honor to be able to continue to serve in this capacity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gretta A. Gross, DO, MEd, FACFP". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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Education:

Masters of Medical Education – Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, Erie, PA, August 2012 – June 2014
Faculty Development Fellowship - University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, North Carolina, August 2004 – June 2005
Osteopathic Family Medicine Residency – Warren Hospital, Phillipsburg, New Jersey, July 1998 – June 2000, Chief Resident 1999 - 2000
Osteopathic Internship – Warren Hospital, Phillipsburg, New Jersey, July 1997 - June 1998
Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, (PCOM), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 1992 – May 1997
Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Undergraduate Fellow, 1994 – 1997
Bachelors of Science, Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, Major: Biology/Premedicine, August 1988 – May 1992

Professional Experience:

National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners
Vice President Clinical Skills Testing, April 2018 - present
Physician Trainer, part time, June 2016 – April 2018
Osteopathic Soap Note Rater, September 2004 – present
101 W. Elm St., Suite 150, Conshohocken, PA 19428
WellSpan Health, York Hospital Family Medicine Residency
Faculty Physician, November 2016 – present, part-time
1001 S George St, York, PA 17405
Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine
Assistant Clinical Professor, Faculty Development, June 2016 - present
PCOM/Houston Healthcare Family Medicine Residency Program
Program Director, May 2013 – May 2016
Director of Osteopathic Medical Education, May 2013 – May 2016
Chair, Department of Family Medicine, January 2015 – May 2016
Wilkes-Barre Osteopathic Family Medicine Residency Program
Program Director, April 2004 – April 2013
Director of Osteopathic Medical Education, August 2003 – April 2013
Chair, Department of Family Medicine, January 2010 – December 2012

Osteopathic Internship Program Director, August 2003 – 2008
2 Sharpe St., Kingston, PA 18704
The Commonwealth Medical College
Clinical Faculty, October 2008 – April 2013
150 N Washington Ave., Scranton, PA 18503
St. Luke's Urgent Care Center
Attending Physician, part-time, July 2007 – January 2013
1104 North St., Jim Thorpe, PA 18229
PCOM - Department of Osteopathic Practices and Principles
Clinical Assistant Professor, September 2004 – January 2013
4190 City Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19131
Tamaqua Family Practice
Attending Physician, September 2000 – July 2003
34 S. Railroad St, Tamaqua, PA 18252
Warren Hospital Family Medicine Residency Program
Office Preceptor, September 2000 – July 2003
755 Memorial Parkway, Phillipsburg, NJ 08852

Board Certification:

American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine 2003 – 2013,
recertification, 2014-2023
American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians 2001-2009, recertification
2009-2017, 2018-2025
American Board of Family Medicine 2000-2007, recertification 2007-2017, 2017-
2027

State Licensure:

Pennsylvania: 2000 – present
Georgia: April 2013 – March 2019 – placed in inactive status due to no longer
practicing in the state
New Jersey: 2000-2003, placed in inactive status due to no longer practicing in
state

Certifications:

Basic Cardiac Life Support, expiration: June 2020
Basic Disaster Life Support

Presentations:

“Using National Assessment Data as Part of a Comprehensive Strategy for
Demonstrating Educational Outcomes and Continuous Quality
Improvement”, Preconference Workshop, AACOM Annual Conference,
Educating Leaders 2019, Big Data, Finley, JM, Gimpel, JR, Gross, GA, and
panelists

- "Feedback in the Clinical Setting: the "F" Word", PCOM Webinar Series:
Operational Tips for Guiding Learners in the Clinical Environment,
November, November 9, 2017
- "Teaching in the Clinical Setting", Cahaba Family Medicine Residency, Faculty
Development, Centreville, AL, August 14, 2017
- "Time Management and Scholarly Activity", Faculty Development, Houston
Healthcare Family Medicine Residency, Warner Robins, GA, March 30,
2017
- "Interactive Lecturing and Dealing With the Challenging Resident", Faculty
Development, Houston Healthcare Family Medicine Residency, Warner
Robins, GA, October 13, 2016
- "Precepting Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine", Faculty Development,
Gwinnett Medical Center Family Medicine Residency, October 12, 2016
- "Considerations for Potential Osteopathic Milestones and Entrustable
Professional Activities", ACOFP Program Director's Workshop, Las
Vegas, NV, March 10, 2015
- "Osteopathic Diagnosis and Treatment of the Lumbar and Sacral Spine,"
American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians, Intensive Update and
Board Review in Osteopathic Family Medicine, Chicago, IL, yearly 2008 -
2015
- "Diagnosing Somatic Dysfunction: The Osteopathic Structural Exam,"
American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians, Intensive Update and
Board Review in Osteopathic Family Medicine, Chicago, IL, yearly 2011 -
2014
- "Education Program Planning," monthly lecture series for PCOM
Undergraduate Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine Fellows focusing on
the educational process, Philadelphia, PA, June 2006 - January 2013
- "Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine - The Role in Cardiac and Respiratory
Disease," PCOM Third year OMM rotation, monthly lecture, Philadelphia,
PA, September 2004 - January 2013
- "Unraveling Pulmonary Predicaments," American College of Osteopathic
Family Physicians, Intensive Update and Board Review in Osteopathic
Family Medicine, Chicago, IL, September 2012
- "Interprofessional Communication: Maximizing Patient Safety," PCOM Spring
Primary Care Update, Philadelphia, PA, April 21, 2012
- "Unraveling Pulmonary Predicaments," American College of Osteopathic Family
Physicians, Intensive Update and Board Review in Osteopathic Family
Medicine, Chicago, IL, September 2011
- "Practice and Risk Management Review," American College of Osteopathic
Family Physicians, Intensive Update and Board Review in Osteopathic
Family Medicine, Chicago, IL, September 2010

- “Osteopathic Considerations in Cardiovascular Disease,” American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians, Intensive Update and Board Review in Osteopathic Family Medicine, Chicago, IL, September 2009
- “Practice and Risk Management Review,” American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians, Intensive Update and Board Review in Osteopathic Family Medicine, Chicago, IL, September 2009
- “Teaching Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine in the Clinical Setting,” P_{COM}MEDNet Faculty Development, Philadelphia, PA, April 4, 2009
- “Teaching Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine in the Clinical Setting,” ACOFP Annual Program Director’s Workshop, Washington, DC, March 2, 3, 2009
- “Practice and Risk Management Update,” P_{COM}MEDNet Family Medicine Residency Board Review, Philadelphia, PA, February 7, 2009
- “Teaching Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine at the Bedside,” Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, Northeast Regional Meeting, Baltimore, MD, November 1, 2008
- “Teaching the Osteopathic Structural Exam,” Society of Teachers of Family Medicine, Northeast Regional Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA, October 20, 2007
- “Teaching the Osteopathic Structural Exam,” Faculty Development Lecture for P_{COM}MEDNet OPTI faculty physicians and residents, Philadelphia, PA, April 20, 2007

Publications:

- Roberts W, Gross, GA, Gimpel JR, Smith LL, Young A, Arnhart K, Pei X.
Predictive Validity of COMLEX-USA: Relationship between licensure examination performance and state licensing board disciplinary actions. Accepted for publication by *Academic Medicine*, available online ahead of print, October 2019
- Raguckas C, Ference JD, Gross GA. Osteopathic Considerations in Obstructive Pulmonary Disease: a Systematic Review. *Osteopathic Family Physician*. 2016;9
- Gross GA, Ference JD. Pharmaceutical Representative Rounds: Teaching Resident Physician-Pharmaceutical Representative Interactions. *Osteopathic Family Physician*. 2011;3:123-126.
- Gross GA, Nicholas AS. Thoracic Somatic Dysfunction: A Case Report. *J. of the POMA*. 1996;40:14-16.

Associations:

- American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine 2018 - present
- American Osteopathic Association 1992 – present
- American Academy of Osteopathy 1992 – present; Convocation attendee, balanced ligamentous release course, August 1996, basic precursor course, November 1997
- Committee Membership/Volunteer Experience:

OPTI Liaison Committee: 2006 – 2012 (committee disbanded)
Oral Examiner for AOBNMM certification exam: November 2013
Membership Committee: 2018-present
Informational Technologies Committee: 2018-present
American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians 1993 – present
Committee Member:
OPP Subcommittee: Teaching Resources: 1/1/2016 – 12/31/2020
Osteopathic Clinical Research Committee: 1/3/2017 – 1/2/2022
Cranial Academy 1995 – present; successfully completed 40-hour basic cranial course, June 1995
American Academy of Family Physicians 1997 – present
Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association, 2000 – present
PA Osteopathic Family Physicians Society, 2000 – present
Board of Trustees 2009 – present
Committees:
Nominating Committee 2017-present, Chair
Society of Teachers of Family Medicine 2007 - present
Association of Osteopathic Directors and Medical Educators 2003 – 2018
(organization joined with AACOM)

Honors:

Fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians, March 15, 2014
David Heilig, DO Memorial Symposium Presentation, PCOM, May 15, 2009
Emergency Room Recognition Award, 2000 for exceptional care of the ER patient John H. Eimerbink, DO Memorial Award for exceptional ability in the field of Osteopathic Medicine, 1997
Louisa B. Smith, DO Scholarship for abilities in Osteopathic Medicine, 1996
Angus G. Cathie, DO Memorial Scholarship for excellence in Osteopathic Medicine and Anatomy, 1994
York County Medical Society Scholarship Loan 1992 – 1997

Medical Mission Experience:

Medical Mission Trip to Burkina Fosa, Africa, Faith Assembly of God Church, Jan 14 – 22, 2011
Medical Response for Hurricane Katrina Victims, Ocean Springs, MS, Christus Victor Lutheran Church, October 15-22, 2005
Medical Mission Trip in Costa Rica, Colonial Park United Methodist Church, February 22-March 6, 2004

Community Activities:

Member, Christ Lutheran Church, Manchester, PA, 1970 – present, Council Member, January, 2017 - present

Member, Bear Creek Village Association, 2004 - present

Member, Hollenback Women's Golf League: Wilkes-Barre, PA, 2009 - 2012

Medical Command, South Ward Fireman's Association, oversaw use of AED

January, 2001 - June, 2003

Time Gap Explanations:

06/1997-07/1997 - time off between end of medical school and start of residency

07/2000 - 09/2000 - time off between completion of residency and start of
employment

06/2016 - 11/2016 - time off with relocation to PA, away from clinical work
during this period