

Tell Us More!

SDPA Wants to Share Your Great Stories

During #PAweek Oct. 6-12, SDPA will kick off an ongoing campaign designed to promote the Derm PA profession by educating consumers and patients about the value Derm PAs bring to the healthcare team.

SDPA members are invited to submit pictures and a two- to three-paragraph profile piece about their life, work and/or hobbies. The following writing prompts may help you get started:

- Why did you become a Derm PA?
- Where are you from and/or where do you currently reside?
- What is the most rewarding part of your job?
- How do you manage the work-life balance?
- What do you do for fun?
- Tell us about any personal or professional successes outside of your regular practice that you would like to share.

If you have writer's block – don't worry! Members who do not want to write a profile piece are invited to submit answers to questions below (no more than five, please!) Forward your answers, along with your name, the area of Dermatology you practice, city/state and a photo to Kim Coghill at kcoghill@dermpa.org or communications@dermpa.org. We look forward to getting to know you!

Dermatology:

1. How long have you been in dermatology and what's your favorite thing about it?
2. Why did you become a Derm PA?
3. Tell us about your Dermatology training.
4. What would you do for a career if you were not a Derm PA?
5. What advice would you give a new Derm PA?
6. What's your Dermatology passion?
7. Tell us how you got involved in Dermatology.
8. What do you wish people knew about Dermatology?
9. What's the most challenging part of your job?
10. Are there any systemic medications you think a new Derm PA might find challenging or intimidating? Do you have any tips for getting more comfortable?
11. Are you still providing PUVA or UVB therapy in your office?
12. What cosmetic product lines do you sell in your practice? What's your favorite single cosmetic product?
13. What's your daily skincare regimen?
14. Beyond neurotoxins, filler and laser, are there any other cosmetic procedures you perform? Chemical peels, micro needling, PRP, etc.?

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15. What is your favorite cosmetic treatment?
16. Do you have a Mohs surgeon in your practice? If so, do you still perform certain surgical procedures or assist in closures?
17. Do you perform your own surgical procedures?
18. What is the most interesting case you've had?
19. What conditions do you see most in your clinic?
20. What is the most important advice you would give about skin?

General:

21. What is your personal philosophy?
22. What is one thing you could not live without?
23. What do you like doing in your spare time?
24. Where is your favorite vacation location?
25. What is the weirdest job you have ever had?
26. How do you define success?
27. What is the best book you have ever read and why?
28. On the weekend you can be found...
29. Tell us something that might surprise us about you.
30. What would you tell your 13-year-old self?
31. Do you have a hidden talent?
32. What is your guilty pleasure? Your dream vacation?
33. Describe yourself in three words
34. What is your favorite movie/song/quote?
35. What is your nickname?
36. If you could interview one person (dead or alive) who would it be and why?
37. If you could only eat one meal every day for the rest of your life, what would it be and why? What is the one food you will not eat?
38. If you were stuck on an island, what three items would you bring?
39. Tell us about the last time you laughed (or cried).
40. What is on your bucket list?

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