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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Apex Dermatology and Skin Surgery Center (Cleveland, OH)** 2022- present
 - **PA/NP Director of Education & Training** 2025- present
 - Develops and implements educational experiences for newly hired PAs/NPs and directs on-boarding processes
 - Perform full body skin checks, diagnose and treat various skin conditions including skin cancer, acne, psoriasis, alopecia, eczema etc
 - Perform procedures: biopsies (shave and punch), excisions, injections, I&Ds, KOH prep, cryotherapy, cultures, curettage and cryotherapy, ED&C, neurotoxin and filler injections etc.
 - Order dermatological medications and perform medication monitoring
- **The MetroHealth System Dermatology PA-C (Cleveland, OH)** 2019- 2022
 - Perform full body skin checks, diagnose and treat various skin conditions including skin cancer, acne, psoriasis, alopecia, etc
 - Perform procedures: biopsies (shave and punch), injections, I&Ds, KOH prep, cryotherapy, cultures, curettage and cryotherapy, ED&C, etc.
 - Order dermatological medications and perform medication monitoring
 - Receive training from supervising physician, participate in monthly didactic sessions, and attend grand rounds with dermatology residents

EDUCATION

Shenandoah University (Winchester, VA)

Doctor of Medical Science

Gannon University (Erie, PA)

Master of Physician Assistant Science

Bachelor of Science/Minor in Biology

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

Ohio Physician Assistant License 50.006265RX

Current through October 2027

NCCPA certification

Current through October 2029

BLS

Current through June 2026

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Society of Dermatology Physician Associates (SDPA)

Current through 2026

-AAPA House of Delegates delegate, State Affiliate Liaison

Ohio Society of Dermatology Physician Assistants (OSDPA)

Current through 2028

-Immediate Past President

Ohio Association of Physician Associates (OAPA)

Current through 2026

American Academy of Physician Associates

Current through 2026

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Society of Dermatology Physician Associates (SDPA)

Current through 2026

-SDPA Diplomate Fellow

-Journal of Dermatology Physician Assistants Peer Reviewer

-2025 Publication in Journal of Dermatology Physician Assistants, Original Research-
Compensation and Productivity Trends Among Dermatology Physician Associates: A Multi-State Salary Analysis

- 2025 Publication in Journal of Dermatology Physician Assistants Literature Review-
Optimizing Psoriasis Treatment for Elderly Patients: A Spotlight on Biologics and Small Molecules
- 2024-2025 SDPA State Affiliate Liaison
- 2024-2026 SDPA AAPA HOD delegate
- 2022-2024 Conference/CME Committee vice chair
- 2024 Online Pharmacology faculty course lecturer Atopic Dermatitis
- 2023 Lecturer at annual SDPA conference on PA advocacy at the state and national level
- Ohio Society of Dermatology Physician Assistants (OSDPA)** Current through 2028
- 2026-2028 Immediate Past President
- 2024-2026 President
- 2025- Coordinated and hosted second annual PA/NP CME conference in Ohio
- 2024- Coordinated and hosted first annual PA/NP CME conference in Ohio
- 2024- Coordinated and hosted four virtual pharmacology CME lectures for members
- 2024- Lecturer for virtual Atopic Dermatitis pharmacology course
- Ohio Association of Physician Associates (OAPA)** Current through 2025
- 2024 Lecturer for annual OAPA pharmacology conference Atopic Dermatitis
- 2022 Lecturer for the annual OAPA conference Benign and Malignant Neoplasms
- 2018 Presented Gannon University Employee Wellness Research at annual OAPA conference
- American Academy of Physician Associates** Current through 2025
- 2026 Contracted Faculty lecturer for annual conference on Infections/Infestations and Dermatology Case Studies
- 2025 Faculty lecturer for annual conference on Benign and Malignant Neoplasms
- 2025 Faculty lecturer for virtual “Hot Topics” series on Itch and Cosmeceuticals
- 2025, 2024, 2023 SDPA AAPA House of Delegates, Delegate
- 2019 and 2023 Attended AAPA Leadership and Advocacy Summit to advocate for the PA profession on capitol hill
- Pennsylvania Society of Physician Assistants (PSPA)**
- 2020 Lecturer for annual PSPA conference Benign and Malignant Neoplasms
- Diversity in Dermatology**
- 2023 Lecturer for annual Diversity in Dermatology Conference Alopecia Case Study
- 2021 Achieve Program Alumnus
- Skin, Bones, Hearts, and Private Parts CME conferences**
- 2025 Dermatology Faculty, 6 hours of dermatology content to be presented in cities across the US
- PA Clinics Journal**
- 2025/26 Guest Editor for dermatology edition of PA Clinics

HONORS

- Awards:** Ohio Association of PAs Jerry A. Greco Memorial PA Educator of the Year 2025
- Service:** Participated in the Miles for Melanoma 5K fundraiser in Cleveland, OH (2022, 2024, 2025), Offered free spot checks for Melanoma Monday (May 1 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)

REFERENCES

- available upon request