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Deborah Milito, PharmD

Dr. Milito is the Director of Clinical and Consultant Services-Skilled Division for Diamond Pharmacy Services. She also serves as the team leader for the Joint Commission's Performance Improvement, Provision of Care, Medication Management, and National Patient Safety Goals initiatives. Dr. Milito is responsible for overseeing the education of the Skilled Consultant Pharmacists in Pennsylvania and Ohio. She has 28 years of acute care experience, 8 years of correctional experience, and 13 years of Long-Term Care (LTC) experience. Deborah is certified in Anticoagulation Medication Therapy Management (MTM) and has completed certification in Antimicrobial Stewardship with the Society of Infectious Disease Pharmacists (SIDP) and ASCP. She serves as chairman for the Antibiotic Stewardship Committee of the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP) and recently received the President's Award for Education at ASCP's National Conference in 2017. Dr. Milito received her B.S. in Pharmacy in 1980 and her Doctorate in Pharmacy in 1997 from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh PA. She is also a Board Certified Geriatric Pharmacist. She has taught Pharmacy Law and Ethics at the Community College of Allegheny County and Clinical Skills at Duquesne University. Finally, Deborah recently published her first book – *What You CAN Do When You Lose a Loved One*.

Natalie D. Eddington, PhD, FAAPS, FCP

Natalie D. Eddington, PhD, FAAPS, FCP, is dean of the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy (UMSOP) and a professor of pharmaceutical sciences. She is also executive director of University Regional Partnerships for the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB).

Dr. Eddington earned a BS in pharmacy from Howard University and a PhD in pharmaceutical sciences from UMSOP. After completion of her PhD, Dr. Eddington was appointed as the clinical director of new drug development at Pfizer Inc. After three years at Pfizer, Dr. Eddington began her academic career at UMSOP as an assistant professor, where she also served as chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences and director of the Pharmacokinetics-Biopharmaceutics Laboratory.

Dr. Eddington is a nationally known expert in drug delivery and pharmacokinetics. Her research focuses on various medications used in the treatment of cancer, epilepsy, arthritis, and drugs of abuse and on understanding the role of biopharmaceutics and pharmacokinetics in elucidating the underlying mechanisms important in optimizing drug therapy. Her research has been supported by the National Institutes of Health (NIDA, NIBIB, NIMH, NCI), the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the Department of Defense, and the pharmaceutical industry. Dr. Eddington is the author of more than 125 publications and has given more than 150 presentations and 100 invited lectures on topics related to pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics, transporter processes, and academic pharmacy.

Dr. Eddington's research served as the basis for numerous regulatory guidances implemented by the FDA. Specifically, the School of Pharmacy's research in support of the Scale Up and Post Approval Changes (SUPAC) guidances has directly saved the pharmaceutical industry more than \$1.5 billion and has saved the FDA timeless hours of review through reductions in regulatory burden. This research was supported by an \$11 million grant from the FDA.

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Under Dr. Eddington's leadership, the School of Pharmacy has established a number of centers and programs including the Center for Innovative Pharmacy Solutions; the Patients, Pharmacists, Partnerships (P³) Program; the Patient-centered Involvement in Evaluating the effectiveness of Treatment (PATIENTS) Program; the Bio- and Nano-technology Center, the Center for Translational Medicine, the Mass Spectrometry Center, and the FDA-supported Maryland Center of Excellence in Regulatory Science and Innovation (M-CERSI), which is a collaborative agreement with the FDA to promote innovation in support of the development and evaluation of safe and effective products. Dr. Eddington has designed numerous international regulatory courses for clinicians and scientists from South Korea, Argentina, Brazil, the United States, and Japan on the United States' drug development process and the FDA regulatory infrastructure surrounding medication and device development. Most recently, under Dr. Eddington's leadership, the School has launched a transformational pharmapreneurism initiative, which seeks to position the School's world class faculty, its wonderful students, and exceptional staff to achieve their career aspirations and address our nation's health care, research, policy, and societal needs.

Windy Irwin, PharmD, BCGP

Dr. Windy Irwin is a Board Certified Consultant Pharmacist responsible for clinical and regulatory initiatives designed to optimize medication management and quality assurance efforts of long-term care, post-acute care and assisted living facilities. She is presently employed by GraneRx and is also in the preliminary process of starting an independent consultant pharmacist practice, MedAtlanticRx, LLC. Dr. Irwin has initiated a Diabetes Management Program as well as an Antimicrobial Stewardship Program within her facilities and is currently working on implementation of Transitions of Care Program. She is currently a licensed pharmacist in the states of Maryland and Virginia.

Dr. Irwin began her pharmacy career in 1990 in a retail pharmacy setting where she spent 17 years before transitioning to hospital pharmacy, long-term care pharmacy operations and consulting. Dr. Irwin received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in 2001. She is a member of The American Society of Consultant Pharmacists, The American Pharmacists Association and Teams for Medical Missions serving in Jamaica. Dr. Irwin is currently serving on the executive board of MD-ASCP and is involved in various committees such as Business Advisory, Community Outreach, Governmental Affairs and Health Information Technology.

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David H. Jones, PD, FASCP

David Howard Jones is an independent consulting pharmacist focusing on Long Term Care settings and geriatric patients in the community.

David is the President Elect of the Maryland Chapter for this year and serves on the Educational Services Committee. Previously, he had served as President and was once selected as Pharmacist of the Year.

Prior professional experience included acute care, anticoagulation and pain management, long term care consulting, home and LTC infusion, and utilization/ outcomes management. He also served as Long Term Care Liaison for the State of Maryland and a number of Health Care Provider

He served as the Long Term Care Commissioner for one term for the Maryland State Board of Pharmacy and was elected to be the Secretary of the Board for the last year of service.

David is a 1970 graduate of the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy.

Nancy L. Losben, RPh, CCP, FASCP, CG

Nancy Losben is a Consultant Pharmacist and Chief Quality Officer for Omnicare/CVS Health, a pharmacy services provider serving over 2 million long term care admissions annually. She has holds an adjunct faculty appointment at the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia. A certified consultant pharmacist, Ms. Losben holds certificates in Gerontology and pharmacy regulations. She has lectured on topics including Use of the MDS by Long Term Care Pharmacists, Medication Safety and Error Prevention, Enteral Nutrition, Medicare Reimbursement, and Adult Immunization,

She is a Fellow of the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists and Chair of the ASCP Foundation. Ms. Losben has served as a member of the Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee of ProVantage Prescription Management Services, a Wisconsin-based pharmacy benefits management company serving over 4 million lives. Nancy represented The American Society of Consultant Pharmacists to The Long Term Care Professional and Technical Advisory Committee of The Joint Commission for 5 years and was the Chair of ASCP's Educational Advisory Committee from 1999 to 2001. She served as the Chair of the Antimicrobial Stewardship Steering Committee of ASCP in 2016. She is a member of the American Medical Director Association's Clinical Practice Guideline Committee.

In November, 2016, Nancy received the President's Award from ASCP in Dallas TX, for her work on the Antibiotic Stewardship Taskforce and the completion of the ASCP Antimicrobial Stewardship Toolkit. In March, 2011, Nancy received the Volunteer of the Year Award from the American Medical Directors Association. In November, 2010 Ms. Losben received the ASCP Richard S. Berman Leadership Award for her dedication to the Society and in May 2001, Nancy received the Eli Lilly/ACSP Excellence in Education Award in Washington, D.C. for her work in

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educating pharmacists. Nancy received the NeighborCare Sales and Marketing award in the fall of 2001 in Tampa, FL, and in October 2000, she was the recipient of the Leadership in Quality Care Award presented by Genesis Health Ventures in Baltimore, MD.

She holds a pharmacy degree from Temple University in Philadelphia and has completed a consultant pharmacy course sponsored by Rutgers University.

Jessica Merrey, PharmD

Dr. Jessica W. Merrey is Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Ambulatory Care and Anticoagulation at The Johns Hopkins Hospital, with practice sites at Johns Hopkins Community Physicians Internal and Family Medicine Clinics and The Johns Hopkins Hospital Hematology Anticoagulation Clinic. She received her Doctorate of Pharmacy at The Medical University of South Carolina and Masters in Business Administration from the Citadel, both in Charleston, South Carolina. She completed a PGY-1 pharmacy practice residency with emphasis in primary care at the Ralph H. Johnson VA Medical Center in Charleston, South Carolina. Dr. Merrey is Board Certified in Pharmacotherapy, Ambulatory Care, and Geriatric Pharmacy. Dr. Merrey serves as a Clinical Assistant Professor for the University of Maryland, teaching in the Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Practice elective and precepting clinical clerkships in the ambulatory care rotation, and serves as a preceptor in the Internal Medicine and Hematology Anticoagulation clinics for the PGY-1 pharmacy practice and PGY-2 ambulatory specialty residency programs at The Johns Hopkins Hospital. She has served on the Board of Pharmacy Specialties Geriatric Specialty Council since the Geriatric specialty moved from CCGP to BPS in 2017.

Chanel F. Whittaker, Pharm.D., BCGP, BCPS, FASCP

Dr. Whittaker is an Associate Professor of Geriatric Pharmacotherapy at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy in Baltimore, Maryland. She serves as Director of Education and Training with the Peter Lamy Center on Drug Therapy and Aging and the PGY-2 Geriatric Pharmacy Residency Program. Her practice, teaching and research expertise include geriatric pharmacotherapy, chronic kidney disease and health literacy/health communication.

Dr. Whittaker has practiced in a number of ambulatory care clinics providing medication management services to older adults for over 10 years. Her current practice sites include the interprofessional GeriPact Clinic managing frail older adults with multimorbidity and the Renal Interdisciplinary Safety Clinic at the Baltimore VA managing veterans with acute and chronic kidney disease.

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Chad Worz, PharmD

Chad Worz is the Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer for the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP)

A graduate of the University of Cincinnati School of Pharmacy, Chad developed an innovative clinical practice in a long-term care setting in Ohio and directed the pharmacy practice of a regional, independent pharmacy serving 10,000 long-term care residents. Worz established his geriatric-based practice, Medication Managers, LLC, to educate and serve nursing facility residents, nursing facility administration, long-term care pharmacies, and the public through a comprehensive knowledge of medication use. It has expanded to provide consulting services to more than 600 nursing centers and over 35,000 skilled nursing, assisted living, and developmentally disabled clients in 30 states. Chad also founded and served as chief executive officer of RxConcile, a tele-pharmacy application that connects nursing facility discharge patients with a live pharmacist for education and consultation on their medications.

In 2016, he was awarded the Arthur C. Glasser, Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Cincinnati College of Pharmacy where he is an adjunct assistant professor of pharmacy practice and a member of the Dean's Executive Advisory Board. A member of ASCP since 1998, he formerly served as a member of the ASCP Board of Directors and was elected as the Society's 2017-2018 president. He also served as a member of Humana's National Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee representing pharmacists practicing with older adults.

Nicole Brandt, PharmD, MBA, BCGP, BCPP, FASCP

Dr. Brandt is a professor of pharmacy practice and science and executive director of the [Peter Lamy Center on Drug Therapy and Aging](#). Since joining the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy, she has expanded the range of geriatric training opportunities available at the School, including its geriatrics pathway, [ASHP-accredited geriatrics residency](#), geriatric fellowship as well as serves as co-investigator on a geriatric education consortium. She also has worked on various interdisciplinary teams across numerous practice settings and is currently leading initiatives to integrate sustainable pharmacist-directed services to help older adults with multiple co-morbidities age in place at the MedStar Center for Successful Aging.

Dr. Brandt has been active in promoting optimal care for older adults and has affected this through her educational, clinical, as well as health care policy work. She has directed projects such as [Medication Use Safety Training for Seniors](#) and Medicare Part D Medication Therapy Management programs. Her public policy advocacy occurs on both a state and national level, through which she has worked with the Maryland Board of Pharmacy on the Maryland Assisted Living Regulations. She also completed tenure at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) as a special technical director in the Nursing Home Survey and Certification program, working on interpretive guidance regarding medication management in nursing homes. She is one of the authors of the 2012, 2015 and 2018 American Geriatrics Society Beer's Criteria and the past President and Board Chairman of American Society of Consultant Pharmacists.

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Joshana K. Goga Pharm.D., BCPP, Green Belt Lean Six Sigma

Dr. Goga is the Clinical Pharmacy Program Manager Sheppard Pratt Health System and a Clinical Assistant Professor University of Maryland School Of Pharmacy

Joshana Goga received her Doctorate degree from the University of Buffalo School of Pharmacy in 2001. She completed her Primary Care residency at the Buffalo Veterans Affairs Hospital and her Psychopharmacology residency at the Cleveland Veterans Affairs hospital. Dr. Goga has been in practice for over 15 years and currently serves as Clinical Pharmacy Program Manager at Sheppard Pratt Health System where she provides clinical care for the Geropsychiatric population, education to both students and staff, and serves in several research and leadership roles. She has achieved recognition at various levels; preceptor of the year by the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy, CDC VTE prevention program and the Minogue award Circle of Honors for Management of Agitation in the Dementia population and Minogue award for Pain Management. She has been involved in CPNP (College of Psychiatric and Neurological Pharmacists) at several levels including Chair of the Program committee and the current lead of the Geriatric Community.

Deanna Tran, PharmD, BCACP

Deanna Tran, PharmD, BCACP, is an assistant professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy. She currently practices at the University of Maryland's Interprofessional Care Transitions Clinic at the Family Health and Wellness at Cheverly. She previously served as Clinical Programs Consultant for the Landover division of Giant Pharmacy where she assisted in the development and implementation of patient care services including immunizations and travel health clinics. She continues to remain active in providing immunizations to patients in her current practice site, serves as the Chair-Elect for APhA's Immunizing Pharmacists Special Interest Group, as well as educating and training pharmacists and student pharmacists on the APhA Immunization Certificate program.