

Residency Preceptor Biographies

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University of Georgia College of Pharmacy

Kalen B. Manasco, Pharm.D., BCPS, AE-C (Residency Program Director, General Pediatrics)*

Dr. Kalen Manasco is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Clinical and Administrative Pharmacy at the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy. She obtained a B.S. degree in microbiology from the University of Georgia in 1993 and a Pharm.D. degree from University of Georgia College of Pharmacy in 2001. Following graduation, she completed a pharmacy practice residency at Shands Hospital at the University of Florida and a pediatric specialty residency at Medical University of South Carolina. Prior to joining the faculty in January 2007, she served as Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Clinical and Administrative Sciences at Mercer University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. Dr. Porter maintains an active practice site in general pediatrics at the GHSU Children's Medical Center where she precepts students and residents. Dr. Porter is an active member of PPAG, ACCP, ASHP, AACP, Georgia Pharmacy Association, and Georgia Society of Health System Pharmacists. She currently serves on the Pediatric PRN Education Committee of ACCP, the Student and Resident Affairs Committee of GSHP and is the Asthma Education Coordinator for Camp Breathe Easy, a camp for children with asthma. She served as District-Director for the CSRA region of GSHP from 2007-2010. IN 2009,k she was named Distinguished Young Pharmacist for the Georgia Pharmacy Association. Her research interests include pediatric infectious disease, pediatric asthma, and increasing education and awareness among pharmacists and pharmacy students regarding the appropriate use of medications in pediatric patients.

Dianne Williams, Pharm.D., BCPS (Director for Pharmacy Practice Experiences)*

Dianne received both her BS and Pharm.D. degree from the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy. After graduation, she accepted a position at the Medical College of Georgia where she worked as a clinical generalist. After a year, she moved into the role of Drug Information Specialist with an emphasis in Medicine ICU. For a number of years her focus was exclusively Drug Information. As the MCG Health Drug Information and Formulary Coordinator, her primary responsibilities included medication use policy, running the day-to-day operations of the Drug Information Center, coordinating P&T Committee and Anti-Infective Subcommittee activities, maintaining the Pharmacy's online Formulary and website and serving as editor of the Drug Information Newsletter. For almost 18 years she was the preceptor for Pharmacy Practice Residents Drug Information experience as well as Pharm.D. students on their Drug Information advanced practice experience and lectured on Drug Information for the University of Georgia. She has an appointment to the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy as a Clinical Associate Professor and is Board Certified in Pharmacotherapy. Dianne is a

former Board member and District Director for the Georgia Society of Health-System Pharmacists (GSHP). In September 2009, Dianne took on a new role as a regional coordinator and Director for Pharmacy Practice Experience for the College of Pharmacy Division of Experience Programs, coordinating introductory and advanced practice pharmacy experiences (IPPE and APPE) for pharmacy students in the Central Savannah River Area around Augusta.

Georgia Health Sciences Health System

Tad Gomez, M.S., R.Ph. (Director of Pharmacy, Director of Residency Programs, Pharmacy Management)*

Tad A. Gomez, M.S., R.Ph. is the Director of Pharmacy at the Medical College of Georgia Health System in Augusta, GA. Mr. Gomez earned his B.S. Pharmacy from the University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS and his M.S. Hospital Pharmacy from The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH. He also completed a 24-month Pharmacy Practice Residency with an emphasis in Health System Pharmacy Administration from The Ohio State University Medical Center. Previously, Tad served as the Pharmacy Manager at St. Joseph's Hospital in Tampa, FL and the Director of Inpatient Pharmacy Services at the Harris County Hospital District in Houston, TX where he was responsible for directing the operations of the inpatient pharmacies at Ben Taub General Hospital, Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital and Quentin Mease Community Hospital. In addition, Tad has served as President of the Southwest Florida Society of Health System Pharmacists, served as a member of several councils of GSHP, FSHP and TSHP, and is a past Chair of the ASHP Council on Pharmacy Management. He is a member of the Novation Pharmacy Executive Council and is also currently serving as Treasurer of Southeastern Residency Conference. He holds a faculty appointment at the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy and was promoted to Clinical Associate Professor in 2010.

Weng Man Lam, Pharm.D., BCPS (Pediatric Pharmacy Clinical Specialist)

Weng Man Lam received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia. She completed her ASHP-accredited PGY1 Pharmacy Residency at Crozer Chester Medical Center in Philadelphia and a PGY2 Pediatric Specialty Residency at the Medical College of Georgia Health System/University of Georgia College of Pharmacy. After completion of her residency training, she stayed with the MCG Health pharmacy team as a Pediatric Clinical Specialist, beginning in October 2009. Weng covers two practices sites, the general pediatric unit and pediatric intensive care unit. She is a preceptor for general pediatrics for pharmacy residents. Weng Man Lam's research interests include investigating the side effects of immune globulin therapy in the pediatric population, correlation of antifactor Xa level and enoxaparin dosage in pediatric population. She is an active member of ACCP, ASHP, GSHP and the Pediatric Pharmacy Advocacy Group (PPAG). She likes traveling to different countries.

Kelley Norris, Pharm.D., BCPS (Pediatric Critical Care Pharmacy Specialist)*

Kelley received her Pharm.D. degree from Auburn University in 1999. She completed her pharmacy practice residency at the Medical College of Georgia in 2000 and joined the MCG staff as a pediatric pharmacy specialist. She has also earned the recognition of Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist (BCPS). She is a Clinical Assistant Professor for UGA College of Pharmacy and precepts UGA pharmacy students and pharmacy practice residents in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit. Kelley has been involved on committees for the Pediatric Pharmacy Advocacy Group and is an active member of ACCP. She was a member of the drafting team for the World Health Organization (WHO) List of Essential Medications for Pediatrics published in December 2007.

Deidrea J. Parker, R.Ph. (Pediatric Pharmacist; Hematology/Oncology)

Deidrea is a 1981 graduate of the Xavier University School of Pharmacy and a member of Kappa Epsilon Professional Pharmacy Fraternity. She has been on the staff of the MCG Pharmacy since 1994 and since 1998 has been responsible for the 5th floor patients at the MCG Children's Medical Center (Hematology/Oncology and Pediatric Surgery). Her prior experience includes work as a Clinical Pharmacist and Nutrition Pharmacist at Caremark Home Health and Northlake Regional Hospital in Atlanta, a pharmacy supervisor at Express Pharmacy (Birmingham, AL), and as a pharmacist at Mercy Hospital and Eckerds in New Orleans. Deidrea is an active member of GSHP, the MCG Nursing Performance Improvement Council and the Pressure Ulcer Prevention Committee. She serves as a Preceptor for the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy.

Marjorie Shaw Phillips, M.S. R.Ph, FASHP (Medication Safety/Clinical Research, PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Director)*

Marjorie Shaw Phillips, M.S., FASHP, is Pharmacist Coordinator (Medication Safety and Clinical Research), Medical College of Georgia Health System (MCG) and Clinical Professor, University of Georgia College of Pharmacy. Her practice includes clinical research pharmacy, hospital inpatient services, nursing home consulting and medication use evaluation/improvement (MUE). She also coordinates the pharmacy practice residency program and precepts Pharm.D. rotations in Geriatrics (nursing home consulting) and Medication Safety/MUE. Since 1995, she has served as the Chair of the MCG Medication Error Prevention Committee (MEPC). The MEPC is an interdisciplinary group whose focus is review of local/national medication error reports and hospital efforts to improve medication safety and increase event reporting in a non-punitive environment. She has also been a member of the MCG Human Assurance Committee, the university Institutional Review Board for 15 years, serving as Vice-Chair for over 5 years.

Marjorie received her M.S. in Hospital Pharmacy from the University of Florida College of Pharmacy and completed a two-year hospital pharmacy residency at Shands Hospital at the University of Florida in 1984. The next six years were spent practicing hospital pharmacy, with an emphasis in quality and performance improvement, at two

Florida hospitals (Shands-UF/Gainesville and Memorial Hospital-Ormond Beach). She joined the pharmacy staff at the Medical College of Georgia (MCG) Hospitals and Clinics in 1990.

ASHP service includes Chair of the House of Delegates (2003-2006), Board of Directors (2002-2006), House of Delegates, Council on Organizational Affairs (1991-1994), Ad Hoc Committee on Policy Development, USP Advisory Committee, Section of Clinical Specialists Communication and Education Committees and drafter for two ASHP Guidelines. She is Past President, Georgia Society of Health-System Pharmacists and Eastern Shores Florida Society of Hospital Pharmacists, and a past Board Member and Committee Chair for both FSHP and GSHP. In 1997, she was GSHP Pharmacist of the Year. She has been on the Steering Committee for the Southeastern Residency Conference since 2000 and completed a five-year term as Treasurer in 2005.

Her professional contributions also include over 30 publications and 50 presentations (on varying topics including medication safety, performance improvement, team-building, and clinical trials compliance). She is currently serving a second five-year term on the USP Safe Medication Use Expert Committee, and is vice-chair.

Christy M. Norman, M.S., Pharm.D. (Pharmacy Manager, Therapeutic Policy and Formulary Management)*

Christy earned her Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Georgia, Athens, GA and her M.S. in Health System Pharmacy Administration from The Ohio State University. She also completed a 24-month Specialty Practice Residency in Health-System Pharmacy Administration at The Ohio State University Medical Center. Christy was awarded the Tim Moore Award from The Ohio State University, College of Pharmacy, for outstanding performance in the Masters in Health-System Pharmacy Administration program. Christy joined the Medical College of Georgia in July 2008 as a Pharmacy Manager responsible for inpatient adult central and clinical operations, supervision of clinical pharmacists and pharmacy technicians, controlled substances management, and manufacturing and packaging. In June 2010, she assumed a new role on the Pharmacy Leadership Team as the Pharmacy Manager for Therapeutic Policy/Formulary Management, Antimicrobial Stewardship, and the Anticoagulation Clinic. She also serves as the Medication Safety Officer and oversees Quality Improvement activities.

Whitney Jones, Pharm.D. (Antimicrobial Stewardship Coordinator, Infectious Disease Pharmacy Specialist)

Whitney received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of South Carolina (USC) College of Pharmacy. Her undergraduate education includes a B.S. in Biology. She completed an ASHP-accredited Pharmacy Practice (PGY-1) and Infectious Diseases (PGY-2) residencies at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. She joined the MCG pharmacy staff as the Antimicrobial Stewardship Coordinator in August 2010. Her practice encompasses stewardship management, the Infectious Diseases Consult service and outpatient clinics, and service as the Anti-Infective Subcommittee

Secretary. Whitney was recognized with the Mortar & Pestle Professionalism Award by the American Pharmacists Association and USC College of Pharmacy in 2008. She is a member of SIDP, ASM, ACCP, ASHP, NCAP and GSHP. Her professional interests include antimicrobial stewardship, HIV/AIDS, and bacterial mechanisms of resistance.