

## DIRECTOR'S CORNER



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### 50th ANNIVERSARY OF THE PA PROFESSION

1967-2017

### 50 years of PAs providing quality health care to patients

As always in October, this newsletter celebrates the recipients of our Outstanding PA and Team Awards.

In this Newsletter, we also celebrate our 50th anniversary of the PA profession.

Enjoy the reading!

### OUTSTANDING:

"Marked by eminence and distinction"

Webster's' Dictionary

No one can argue with this definition of Outstanding. Yet when I look up the word eminence it is defined as: A condition of being well-known and respected.

During October, it has been PA Services' custom to honor those PAs who have been recognized as outstanding in their profession. These dedicated, incredible PAs are known to those who work closely with them. Yet, they may not necessarily be "well known" to others.

That is why we celebrate these PAs in an open awards ceremony. And this year, a dream has come true to be able to have our PA staff dinner and awards night combined. To be able to highlight and recognize our outstanding PAs, teams and departments in front of hundreds of their peers, completes one of the priorities of PA Services: **To celebrate and acknowledge the work of our PAs and to increase the awareness of the PA Profession at CCHS.**

Oct. 5 was a night filled with a collegial buzz. Dining with old friends, making new friends and experiencing the atmosphere of bringing almost 400 PA peers together, the night was one to remember!

Special guest and Key note speaker, Dr. Brad Borden, highlighted what the future of PAs at the Cleveland Clinic will look like: PAs practicing at top of

their license and competencies, in every department, institute and hospital. In every setting, discipline and newly innovative practice. PAs will be critical to the success of the new Community Health Program. The conversation with Dr. Borden, exalted and commended PA practice. Through his excellent experiences working with PAs, Dr. Borden sees an extremely bright future of increasing our numbers and expanding PA practice in order to meet the ever growing needs of our patients.

Great food, insightful conversations and celebrating our Shining Star PAs, we could not have hoped for a more wonderful evening.

Thank you to all who attended, and a special thank you to those of you who "kept the candle burning" by working your shift that evening so others may attend.

I appreciate all that you have done, are doing and will do, to put our patients first.

### HAPPY PA WEEK TO ONE AND ALL!

Thank you for reading,

Josanne

Carpe Diem



# 2017 Shining Star Awards



## **Kristen Banjac PA-C**



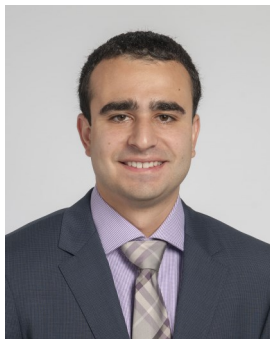
I have worked with Kristen for the past short 8 years. Over these last 8 years, I have grown as a Physician, and that growth would not have been possible without Kristen's excellence to patient care and quality service. Kristen exemplifies CC's 6 guiding principles: Quality, Innovation, Teamwork, Service, Integrity and Compassion. Without Kristen, there is no question that our practice would not be the success that it is; I am thankful each day that I am lucky enough to work with someone like her. Kristen is an esteemed colleague, and is well respected by her peers and team members. No one deserves this recognition more than she.

## **Richard Bernhardt PA-C**



Richard is an exceptional caregiver and always strives to provide the most help for each patient in an efficient manner that makes him a great fit for the ED. I have personally witnessed Rich run to the birthing unit after hearing several overhead pages for Code Pinks. Their OB docs were overwhelmed with multiple emergencies and I have no doubt that his selfless actions that day made for better, safer outcomes for the mothers and babies in that unit. This is just one example of his exemplary service and commitment to patients. He is a very well-rounded and confident individual. The CC provides better care because of the outstanding service of people like Rich. I cannot think of a PA more deserving of this distinction.

## **Salvatore Bordonaro PA-C**



Sal is on the front lines to help design, implement and troubleshoot multiple pilot projects with the primary goal of meeting the mission and vision of CCHS. He has been instrumental in the department of Urology to take the lead on piloting opportunities for telemedicine with virtual visits, and also promoted this across the department to increase engagement. He is well respected by his colleagues and Supervising Physicians throughout the department as well as colleagues and Physicians he works closely with in other areas of CCHS. His dedication to patient care and his patients is unsurpassed. Sal is an asset to the department in many ways and this award is a great opportunity to recognize him for his commitment to his profession.



# 2017 Shining Star Awards

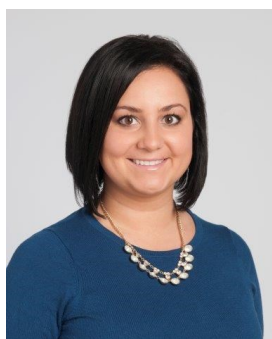


## Stephanie Clement PA-C



Stephanie works with some of the brightest, hardest-working, and highly-demanding Physicians you'll ever meet who perform cutting-edge procedures any time of the day or night in an outpatient setting. Imagine what skills are required to work in such an area. Her compassion, calm demeanor and dedication to patient care equip Stephanie to accomplish everything that needs to be done to ensure a patient's quality care. She is an ultimate professional with patience and grace and the knowledge to get done anything that needs to be done and do it very well. She gives over 100% of herself daily, which is why she is so deserving of this outstanding Shining Star Award.

## Shauna Gales PA-C



The Mellen Center would like to recognize Shauna Gales for her outstanding performance in the role of PA in the center. As a new grad, she assimilated a great deal of new information about MS and other neurological conditions in a very short period of time. She manages a very large, long-term, complex group of patients. She mentors PA students, and is a valued educator and colleague in her peer group particularly with new hires as our center has expanded. She presents at the Consortium of MS Centers annual meeting and is a member of the editorial board for the Mellen news. She has truly gone above and beyond for the Center. The Mellen Center is truly blessed to have a PA with the compassion and dedication we have found in Shauna Gales. She should be given this Distinguished recognition.

## Denise Holocker PA-C



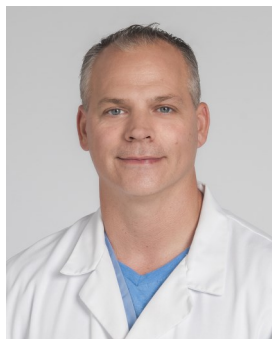
Denise is a very compassionate, caring, dedicated team player who lives up to the motto, "patients first". She works not only with patients with medical problems, but also with a high number of patients with acute or underlying mental issues. She is an advocate for her patients, staying late to coordinate a last minute discharge or calling the attending Physician to discuss why a patient should not be discharged. Denise goes above and beyond every day. She is a team player who puts patients first and who embodies the characteristics of what every PA should strive to be. Denise is truly an outstanding Shining Star.



# 2017 Shining Star Awards



## James Karol PA-C



Working in Interventional Bronchology, Jim must be on his toes every minute of the day (and sometimes night). He understands the extremely demanding diseases encountered and empathizes with frightened patients that breathe through a straw-like airway. He excels in the fast-paced, high-acuity, sink-or-swim work atmosphere. He is all about patients first and practices autonomously with efficiency. Working as part of a team, he is working on a project to build a new IP subspecialty model to include PAs, nurse navigators and clinical coordinators. One of the nicest and humblest people we know, Jim is truly deserving of the Shining Star Award.

## Karen Kerepesi PA-C



If I were to define Karen by words, I would use dependable, efficient, organized, considerate, mature, honest, friendly, knowledgeable, intelligent and many more. I believe over a short period of time, Karen has made major achievements in all aspects of patient care, research and leadership and deserves to be recognized. She is a member of several prestigious societies: AAPA, American society of Transplant Surgeons and the American Society of Transplantation. In addition to her extensive clinical activities with transplant patients, Karen has been involved with several projects in research and Quality Assurance and Performance improvement. Her work in LOS has been presented at several prestigious national Transplant meetings and because of her diligent work as a patient care provider and clinical researcher, Karen received the CC Liver Transplant Certificate of Excellence. She should be recognized for the Outstanding PA award for 2017. This is a unanimous recommendation and opinion of the entire Transplant team regarding Karen's performance.

## Athena Loughrin PA-C



There is no doubt that Athena is one of those special people who is outstanding in their work. First and foremost she is fully committed to the best care of her patients. It is not uncommon for me (Physician) to see a share patient and their family and they express disappointment that they didn't get to see Athena! We depend on her for her sage management of our difficult patient population (dementia) and their families. We completely trust her judgment and have full confidence that when we send our patients to her, that their care will be excellent. Her work ethic is unparalleled throughout the clinic system. She is an incredible PA and is truly inspiring to work with. She inspires others to be better at what they do. I am proud to call myself Athena's colleague.



# 2017 Shining Star Awards



## Al Melillo PA-C



Working with Al for over 13 years, I have been invariably impressed with his work ethic, patient care, and overall service to our practice, to the Center for Spine Health and to the CC. He is one of the hardest working and most organized people I know. He routinely goes beyond the call of duty to ensure that all of our patients are provided the best care possible. He consistently avails himself to help out his peers and this certainly sets him apart from others. He has assumed a leadership role of all the APPs in the region area and has done an outstanding job by all metrics. He is fair, capable and always available for his team. He is an outstanding clinician. CC could not find a better PA than Al. He is simply outstanding.

## Scott Petersen PA-C



Scott is the go-to person for everyone when it comes to Pain Management and is well respected by his peers, colleagues and all collaborating Physicians. He is well known in the communities for his passion and commitment to the fight against the opioid epidemic and is known by name by most of the neighboring community mayors. He is one of the most passionate and humble PAs I have ever had the pleasure of working with and deserves to be recognized. Scott can often be found lecturing at various venues such as the public library or perhaps at grand rounds. He is an invaluable resource for all who come to know him. He truly gives the role of the PA a stellar name.

## Ryan Plescia PA-C



Ryan is an integral member of the Advanced Laparoscopic surgery service in DDSI. He is clearly a tremendous contributor to our team and cares for our patients with dedication to the best clinical outcomes possible. To say he is competent and reliable is an understatement. It is hard to imagine running our service without him. Ryan goes the extra mile for his patients, often staying late beyond his hours and seeking out Physicians to help assist in the care of our patients. His demeanor is exemplary and he sets a standard of excellence in patient care. He is a role model for us as Physicians. I cannot imagine a more deserving individual for this award. I have no doubt he is the best PA in our system.



# 2017 Shining Star Awards



## Logan Rock PA-C

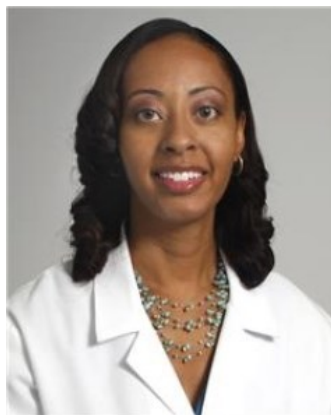


Logan's compassion, knowledge, exceptional work ethic and continuous desire to learn are just some of the qualities that make her so deserving of this award. There are no shortcuts with Logan when it comes to patient care, documentation, education or clinical skills. She is seemingly inexhaustible. She is a team player and is always approachable. She is a role model to others and her compassion for her job is clearly evident. We can only hope that she realizes how much we appreciate the effort and dedication that she brings forth each and every day. We are so fortunate to work with Logan Rock, AKA our rockstar!

## CLEVELAND CLINIC FLORIDA

### Monique Wheatley PA-C

### Florida Outstanding Physician Assistant of the Year



This year's Florida Outstanding Physician Assistant award goes to Monique Wheatley. What is impressive about Monique is her maturity and professionalism. As a new grad, she had already had responsible and high level business positions outside of healthcare. It was her desire to be more impactful on the health of people's lives that drove her to the PA profession. The Hematology/Oncology position she was interviewing for was a challenging specialty, one that most new graduates would shy away from as first employment right out of training. However, she embraced the specialty and began a journey to educate herself, increase her fund of knowledge to become the provider she is today. But it is her friendly demeanor, almost a parental protective instinct that has brought her success and the respect of patients, colleagues and peers. When one of her supervising physicians became ill this year, she was tasked with maintaining his practice, stepping in where he had left off. This specialty, with its complexities, has minimal margin of error. It requires an attention to detail with ongoing monitoring of medication regimens and treatment plans. She saw this not as an extra burden, but an opportunity. And she succeeded without skipping a beat beyond the expectations of all. In addition to managing his practice, she also became the rock within the Hem/Once Department, keeping morale up as this physician fought his way back from illness. We are forever grateful for her service and are fortunate to have this caregiver providing world class service to our patients.



# 2017 Shining Star Awards



## OUTSTANDING PA TEAM, Florida PA Orthopaedic Team

*“Teamwork divides the task and doubles the success.”*

**Adam Feldman PA-C, Christian Chiarelli PA-C, Peter Acosta PA-C, Gustavo Huaman PA-C, Kelsey Parra PA-C, and Andrew Rauch PA-C**

For the past 10 years, the Florida Orthopaedic Department has demonstrated exponential growth. This growth has not only been with staff Physicians, but also Physician Assistants. The best practices developed by the Orthopaedic Physician Assistants has become a model for many surgical services in Florida. In addition, hospital as well as ambulatory clinic operation teams have reach out for guidance and recommendations on efficient workflows. This Orthopaedic Department has become one of the flagship departments within the Enterprise. This accomplishment was achieved by the dedication and devotion of the PA team. Their collegial relationships with Nursing, PT/OT, Hospitalists and Case Management have enabled patients to have positive, successful outcomes and experiences. In addition to running their own ambulatory clinics, they assist in the OR, manage in-patients and take first call for the Orthopaedic Department which includes weekend rounding and ER evaluations. This work was recognized by US New and World Report 2016-2017 survey with Florida Cleveland Clinic joining the top 50 Orthopaedic programs at #31, and making it the highest ranked Orthopaedic program in the Florida. This hard working team is a model for all PAs.





## 2017 Shining Star Awards



### **OUTSTANDING PA DEPARTMENT, Hillcrest PA Surgical Services Department**

*“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful people could change the world. Indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.”*

**Leeanna Barr PA-C, Jay Cahill PA-C, George Company PA-C,  
Holly Carson PA-C, Kieran Coughlin PA-C, Hardeep Dhillon PA-C,  
Petrina Federer PA-C, Jim Gaidelis PA-C, Lisa Geisheimer PA-C,  
Cassidy Johnson PA-C, Mallory Hampton PA-C, Amy Marino PA-C,  
Lisa Miller PA-C, Anna Kim PA-C, Carin Miller PA-C,  
Robert Mitri PA-C, Marie Dollard PA-C, Nicole Thoren PA-C,  
and Teresa Sanders PA-C**

This team does just that...they work as a team. They look out for each other, help each other, and have each other's backs. That is what a team does. When the Manager is away at meetings, they are extremely proficient at not only looking out for each other, but doing so fairly. This team is involved with multi-services lines. They are the front line team that touches each patient. Although they are not part of the front line staff you see when you walk into the door, they are the structure in place that keeps the department of surgical services together. Their kindness to the patients and colleagues is unmeasurable. They show genuine concern for patient's safety and let them know their safety is our priority. They are strong and silent behind the scenes but support all of the staff in periop. They are an outstanding team and deserve to be recognized for all of their hard work and support of all of the patients.





# 2017 Shining Star Awards



## OUTSTANDING PHYSICIAN / PA TEAM

**Bethany Bandi PA-C and Dr. Tracy Hull M.D.**

In the true spirit of an award that is given to a PA/MD team, these two are an outstanding example of how PAs and Physicians work together, to provide quality and safe patient care. You will not find a CCF team more deserving than Beth and Tracy. Utilizing what I refer to as their 6 C's; candor, commitment, courage, consistency, competence and communication, they have created a culture of the highest quality care combined with a personal touch that results in each team member feeling a part of something larger than themselves. They have the unique ability to bring together people, set aside egos and work collectively towards accomplishing a single goal. They inspire a journey of lifelong learning and a passion for patient care and continued professional growth, taking the time for so many, with such different learning styles and building a foundation that will be the basis of all future endeavors. At a time when our healthcare system faces such critical issues as fiscal responsibility, transparency of outcomes and opioid crisis, their initiatives in the perioperative care of colorectal surgery patients resulted in decreased length of stay, lowered readmissions and improved patient satisfaction. Their forward thinking and leadership in these endeavors required a delicate balance between task-driver, visionary and mentor- something they manage exceptionally. I can unequivocally state that I consider it an honor and privilege to count myself as one of their collaborators, colleagues and friends. They deserve this honor of being selected the MD/PA Team of the Year, for not only what they have already done, but what they will continue to do to help our healthcare system.





# 2017 Shining Star Awards



## OUTSTANDING PHYSICIAN / PA TEAM

**Stacey Herman PA-C and Dr. Joseph Knapp M.D.**

There is no doubt that these two individuals were made to work together; they are like two peas in a pod. Since working together, their work has led to an overall 40 percent reduction in hospital admissions, 3 percent decrease in urgent care visits and 18 percent reduction in ER visits. This translates to medical cost savings of nearly \$100,000 over the past 2 years! Together, they began the ShurTech employee clinic (better known as the Duct Tape factory), which has been a huge success. They have diagnosed and treated many patients with multiple conditions such as HTN, diabetes and even colon cancer (discovered in one of their colonoscopy referrals) in patients who most likely would not have seen a doctor if it weren't for the onsite clinics. They are a great team when it comes to treating patients, but they are incredible when it comes to developing new initiatives. With Dr. Knapp's great ideas and Stacy's thorough medical care, they have potentially saved some lives and improved the health of others who wouldn't have sought medical care otherwise. I consider these two not only partners, but heroes!





## PA MANAGER OF THE YEAR

**Leah Schmitz PA-C**



**IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP IN MANAGEMENT**

***“Lead, follow or get out of the way.”***

Leah is one of the first APRN/PA Managers at the newly built Avon Hospital. Under the direction of the APRN/PA Director, Leah oversees the APPs on all hospital floors and assists with the perioperative side of the hospital APPs. She assisted in creating the training and onboarding program for the new hire APPs months before the hospital opened its doors and continues to train and onboard new hires. Experienced in Critical Care and having a long career at CCHS in other disciplines, Leah is well respected for her energy, loyalty to patients and genuine regard for her colleagues' success. As if her daily job is not enough, Leah is in a Doctorate program for Health Administration and has been selected as liaison to the Society for Hospital Medicine. Tireless, compassionate, a true leader, enabling her staff to achieve success in their careers. Leah is a true Manager of the Year.



## OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR

**Dr. Michael Glasenapp, Emergency Services Institute**

**IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR HIS SUSTAINABLE TEACHINGS AND AMBASSADORSHIP TO THE PA PROFESSION.**

***“The mind is not a vessel to be filled but a fire to be kindled.”***



Dr. Glasenapp (Michael) is indefatigable in his teaching and training. I rarely hear a patient being discussed where he isn't taking a PA to a higher ground and I myself have had innumerable cases where I learned something new. I believe of all the award and time hacks and metrics and goals that we set for ourselves, none is more valued than to be recognized as the best by your peers. Michael is certainly that, the best at educating all of us. He demonstrates a “true connection” with his team members. He is always available and always teaching us something new. He continuously goes above and beyond to help build our knowledge, skills and confidence that allows us to manage our patients to our fullest capabilities. He never passes up on an opportunity to teach. Even during down time, he takes the opportunity to review certain hot topics and the newest evidence-based medicine. Yet, most importantly, he acts as a role model as we observe his interactions with patients, constantly exemplifying compassion, wit, and seamless ability to develop good rapport with patients. We cannot express enough how much we enjoy working with Dr. Glasenapp and how he has personally made us all strive to be better clinicians every day we work with him. He is a true advocate and teacher for the PA profession and deserves this recognition for his outstanding education efforts.



## PA PRECEPTOR OF THE YEAR

**Nathan Astaneh PA-C**



***“They may forget what you said, but they will never forget how you made them feel.”***

Nate is completely dedicated to PA students. He precepts students on EVERY shift he works, and he also organizes every PA student rotation throughout the EDs. On average, he coordinates 2 students every month in Emergency Medicine. He serves as adjunct faculty at Case PA program, teaching all of their Emergency Medicine content. A member of the PA preceptor council, he takes the time out of his busy day or sleep recovery from shift work to be present at very early morning meetings. He has been highly engaged and always puts the consideration of the student at the forefront of his thoughts. A few comments from our students really shows his expertise and commitment as a preceptor: Nathan is a great teacher and really enjoys working with students. This was my favorite rotation; Nate made it an excellent learning experience. Nate was very helpful. He challenged me. He allowed me to use all of my knowledge and skills and what I have learned so far to create patient plans and diagnosis. He gave me an incredible vision of what it is like to be a PA in the ED. The ED rotation with Nate was incredible. I learned a lot and was really pushed to start acting as if I were a practicing PA instead of just a student. Nathan is truly the Preceptor of the Year!



## 2017 STUDENT OF PROMISE

**Chanchal Singh, ODU**



Those of us who have had the privilege of precepting Chanchal knew he was something very special. From his first day, Chanchal always appeared eager and engaged. He took the initiative to introduce himself to many of the ICU caregivers, which made a strong first impression. Despite the often-times overwhelming nature of the ICU, Chanchal kept a smile on his face and was ready for action. We realized quickly that Chanchal had an impressive fund of knowledge, so we were not surprised when he developed strong presentations even with our incredibly complex patient population. He frequently asked pertinent questions, which told us as his preceptors that he desired to grow into a strong provider.

He embraced his role as a student, continually trying to improve and use his resources. There were times where Chanchal probably felt a “lull” in the day as the providers needed to complete progress notes, but even then he used those opportunities wisely, as we would consistently find him researching noteworthy or interesting topics. He expressed interest in hands-on skills and was able to observe many and practice some bedside procedures. Chanchal frequently thanked the ICU providers for their interest in teaching him, which was much appreciated. His amicable and mature demeanor did not go unnoticed, and he was truly sincere in all of his interactions from examining patients to observing family meetings. We were all impressed that he remained so attentive and interested throughout the entire rotation. He conveyed such passion about being a student that it help reignite us and remind us why we chose this profession and this field. . I cannot think of a better recipient for this award. He exceeded all of our expectations, and now he has set the bar quite high for our future PA students!



# 2017 Distinguished PA Award



## DEB KANGISSER PA-C

Deb has been involved with the PA profession for over 24 yrs. She was a founding member of the PA council back in the early 90's, trying to mobilize the PAs to better practice. An active member of CCHS committees, and long- time member of the Physicians health committee, tackling tough issues on mental illness.

She sits on the PA privileging committee, PA policy committee and PA council. A long list of committee work is attributed to Deb: Delirium risk force, QR for neuro, CSH/spine business review board, Med/Psych Pilot project, NIHO, suicide assessment review, conference planning, and conference director for Parkinson's CME, she tirelessly volunteers wherever needed.

A faculty member now for the new Transition to Practice Program, Deb also developed a full onboarding day for new PAs and APRNs with a curriculum that is unsurpassed.

PAs from all over Ohio and nationwide know her due to the presentations, she has done on brain tumors. Respected by PA peers and also Physicians, fellows, residents, students and administrators, Deb has received a number of accolades for service rendered: Resident appreciation



***The Distinguished PA Award is given to a PA for outstanding service and dedication towards promoting the ideals of the PA profession. This is a peer recognized award—PA's recognizing another PA.***

award (only PA to receive this), Shining Star award (twice), Recognition Award from Taussig and Recognition Awards from Brain tumor.

Deb is a published author and continues to do presentations on the national level for not only PAs but also MD and specialty organizations like the Congress of Neurosurgery. As a humanitarian, she is active in her community as an animal lover. Continually volunteering thousands of hours with the animal shelters of Cleveland to weekly walk dogs, clean cages and generally take care of homeless animals. Respect, activist, compassionate, empathetic, tireless all describe this outstanding and Distinguished PA.

Consistently putting all of herself into work day in and day out. Selfless, putting others before her. She spends a great deal of time outside of work finishing up duties that she knows will enhance a patient's life and care. A true national leader, a scholar and steward of the PA profession. A colleague and our friend, Our 2017 Distinguished PA: Deb Kangisser.

***Please join me in congratulating this year's Distinguished PA: DEB KANGISSER***



## **2017 PA CHAMPION AWARD**



### **Dr. Brian Harte, MD**

**In special recognition for his enduring support  
and advocacy of the PA profession**



PA Services has worked with Brian for many, many years. Whether it was on Main Campus in Hospital Medicine, or at Hillcrest Hospital, or now Medina Hospital. No matter where Brian leads, he always brings PAs along. This is what sets him apart. A leader who knows the unique and critical value of PAs, practicing to their fullest potential, represented in every discipline of medicine and surgical specialties, and involved with and at the table of the inner circle of leadership. Brian has paved the way for a number of PA leaders to step up and be a part of planning and organizational strategy of the CCHS. His undying commitment, and dedication to making sure PAs voices are heard, is what makes him our 2017 PA Champion of the Year.

**2017 PA AWARDS DINNER, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL  
OCTOBER 5, 2017**



**The PA Story**



Credits: AAPA, AAPA History Society



**2017 PA AWARDS DINNER, INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL  
OCTOBER 5, 2017**



2017/2018 EVENTS CALENDAR

**EDUCATOR WORKSHOP**

MAIN CAMPUS

OCTOBER 31, 2017

**APRN/PA PRECEPTOR WORKSHOP**

AVON HOSPITAL

NOVEMBER 10, 2017

**APRN/PA DIRECTOR/MANAGER WORKSHOP**

LYNDHURST

NOVEMBER 16, 2017

**PA HISTORY DISPLAY**

GLICKMAN GREAT HALL

NOVEMBER 20-29, 2017

**PA MANAGERS MEETING**

FALCON ROOM

NOVEMBER 30, 2017

**PA LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION SESSION**

NA 5—08

DECEMBER 14, 2017

\*All CCHS PAs Invited to Attend

**CCHS PAIN MGMT CONFERENCE**

ORLANDO, FL

FEBRUARY 9-14, 2018

**AAPA CHLM**

WASHINGTON, D.C.

MARCH 8-10, 2018

**OAPA PHARMACOLOGY**

CUYAHOGA FALLS

APRIL 12-14, 2018

**AAPA NATIONAL MEETING**

NEW ORLEANS, LA

MAY 19-24, 2018

**PA STUDENT WORKSHOP**

INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL

JUNE 14-15, 2018

**PA EXECUTIVE LEADSHERSHIP ACADEMY**

INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL

AUGUST 16-17, 2018

**2017/2018 EVENTS CALENDAR  
MONTHLY MEETINGS**

**APN/PA DIRECTORS MEETING**

**1st THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**

**11:00 p.m. — 12:00 p.m.**

**NA 5—08**

**APN/PA MANAGERS MEETING**

**1st THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**

**12:00 p.m. — 1:30 p.m.**

**NA 5—08**

**PA STUDENT MONTHLY FORUM**

**3rd TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**7:30 a.m.— 9:00 a.m.**

**PA MANAGERS MEETING**

**4th THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**

**7:30 a.m.— 9:00 a.m.**

**NA 5—15**

# NEW HIRES

Please join us in welcoming the following  
PAs to Cleveland Clinic:

**Nathan Hart**  
**Hospital Medicine**

**Kathryn Sidrow**  
**Plastic Surgery**

**Chad Workman**  
**Orthopaedic Surgery**

**Jonathan Corrigan**  
**Pulmonary Medicine**

**Amy Drab**  
**Functional Medicine**

**Andrew Schumacher**  
**Express Care**

**Grace O'Brien**  
**Emergency Medicine**

**Abigail Gonnella**  
**General Surgery**

**Jena Gustafson**  
**Center for Neurological Restoration**

**Alexandra Petrus**  
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**Amanda Blackley**  
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**Emergency Medicine**

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## Job Postings

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### MAIN CAMPUS:

Breast Center (1)	Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health Part Time (1)
Cardiothoracic Anesthesiology (1)	Multiple Sclerosis (1)
Colorectal Surgery (3)	OBGYN (1)
Dermatology (1)	Orthopaedic Surgery (1)
Emergency Medicine (2)	Palliative Medicine (1)
Endocrinology (1)	Pediatrics (1)
Family Medicine (1)	PICU (1)
Gastroenterology (1)	Pulmonary Medicine (1)
General Surgery (1)	Transplant (1)
Geriatrics (1)	Vascular Surgery
Internal Medicine (1)	

### MISSION

*To work with Physicians to provide quality and accessible health care to our patients.*

*To continue our professional and personal development as Physician Assistants.*

*To increase awareness of the Physician Assistant profession at Cleveland Clinic.*

### PURPOSE

*By disseminating information, increasing communication, and promoting educational activities for continual medical and professional opportunities, the Physician Assistants of Cleveland Clinic are committed to providing affordable and accessible quality health care to all patients.*

## WORDS OF THE DAY:

THE CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS OVERSHADOWS THE CHALLENGES THAT WERE ENCOUNTERED ALONG THE WAY.

Jeffrey Benjamin

### REGIONAL HOSPITALS:

#### Euclid:

Observation Unit (1)

#### Fairview:

Emergency Medicine (1) Express Care (1)

#### Hillcrest :

Intensivist (1)

Surgery (1)

#### Lutheran:

Surgery PRN (1)

#### Marymount:

Surgery (1)

#### Weston::

Cardiothoracic Surgery (1)

Emergency Medicine PRN (1)

Urology (1)

#### South Pointe :

Surgery (1)

### ASC's, FHC's, EXPRESS CLINICS

### & URGENT CARE CENTERS, SPECIALITY CENTERS: