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The Diplomat of the American Society for Pharmacy Law (DASPL) is a year-long focused series of programming for mid-career professionals in pharmacy or pharmacy law (5+ years of practice or more) to hone their leadership skills in pharmacy law and learn more about involvement within the Society. This series will take the next generation of pharmacy law leaders through various topics germane to pharmacy law, pair mentors/mentees, and provide an avenue for future leaders to share their passions in pharmacy law through a year-long capsule project. Below is Class II of DASPL candidates.



Dr. Uzoma Anyanetu has been with Rite-Aid Pharmacy since 2017 and a pharmacy manager since 2018. After finishing law school, she worked briefly in criminal defense for indigent clients. While obtaining her pharmacy degree, she worked as a research attorney for Ferris State University's College of Pharmacy. She earned a B.S. in Biochemistry from the University of Michigan – Ann Arbor, a J.D. from Valparaiso University in Valparaiso, Indiana and a Pharm.D. from Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Michigan. Dr. Anyanetu is a member of the Michigan Bar Association, Michigan Pharmacists Association and Nigerian Association of Pharmacists and Pharmaceutical Scientists of the Americas (NAPPSA).

Dr. Rachel Barenie is an Assistant Professor and Assistant Director of Continuing Professional Development at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Pharmacy. She is both a licensed pharmacist and attorney. Her responsibilities include delivering every aspect of pharmacy law education at the college from the students' first days in the program to their last as they prepare for licensure. Dr. Barenie was awarded the Student Government Association Executive Council Excellence in Teaching Award in 2022. Prior to joining faculty at UT in July 2020, she completed a postdoctoral fellowship in pharmaceutical policy at Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital in the Program on Regulation, Therapeutics, and Law ("PORTAL"). Her research centered on federal pharmacy laws that affect drug pricing, with a special focus on legal issues at the intersection of drug pricing and substance use disorders. Dr. Barenie earned her PharmD from Butler University and her JD and MPH from the University of Memphis.





Dr. Jennifer Cyr earned her PharmD from Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences and is currently a Clinical Pharmacist for a non-profit health plan. Having experience in community and hospital pharmacy, along with infusion therapy, Dr. Cyr has developed a passion for healthcare reform. Dr. Cyr serves on committees for the American Society for Pharmacy Law and the American College of Healthcare Executives, along with being a member of the Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy, American Society of Health System Pharmacists, and the Maine Pharmacists Association. Dr. Cyr serves as an Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experience preceptor for the University of New England and is in her second year of earning an MBA from the University of Massachusetts, Lowell. Previous to her pharmacy career, Dr. Cyr served active duty in the U.S. Navy.

Dr. Lindsey Elmore is a board-certified pharmacist, Institute for Functional Medicine trained clinician, speaker, author, entrepreneur, yoga teacher and world-renowned wellness expert. She earned a bachelor's in chemistry from the University of Alabama Birmingham and a Doctorate in Pharmacy from the University of California San Francisco. She completed a PGY-1 in Pharmacy Practice at Princeton Baptist Medical Center, and a PGY-2 in Ambulatory Care at New Hanover Regional Medical Center. Dr. Elmore worked as an academic pharmacist and founding Residency Program Director at Samford University. She was a visiting scholar at the University of Zambia School of Medicine and Director of Global Education at a multi-billion-dollar supplement company. She is an author and podcast host.





Diane Ginsburg completed her B.S. in Pharmacy at the University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy, M.S. at the University of Houston College of Pharmacy, and a two-year ASHP-accredited residency in hospital pharmacy administration at The Methodist Hospital in Houston, TX. She received her Ph.D. in higher education administration and leadership at the University of Texas at Austin. She is currently Clinical Professor in the Pharmacy Practice Division, Associate Dean for Healthcare Partnerships, and G.D. Searle Endowed Fellow in Pharmacy at the UT Austin College of Pharmacy. She is an adjunct instructor in the DEA's Teaching Academy. She has been active with ASHP serving as President and a 3-year term on the Board of Directors. She was inducted as Fellow in ASHP in 1998. She is a Past President of the Texas Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

Jonathan Keller is a registered pharmacist and attorney at Faegre Drinker who advises health care and life science companies on a wide range of transactional, regulatory, and licensing matters. As the co-leader of the firm's PBM & Pharmacy Services Segment, he regularly advises hospitals, pharmacies, drug manufacturers, wholesalers, third-party logistics providers, and telehealth platforms on strategic transactions and numerous aspects of their pharmacy-related businesses. Much of Jonathan's work in this regard focuses on state and federal licensing, board of pharmacy investigations, drug compounding, controlled substances and drug diversion, 340B drug program compliance, telemedicine and telepharmacy, change of ownership requirements, compliance program diligence, and drug distribution and supply chain requirements. Prior to entering private practice, Jonathan served as the general counsel for a 212-bed community hospital where he was responsible for the day-to-day legal operations of the hospital.





Teri Miller is an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice at Creighton University School of Pharmacy and Health Professions. She has over 25 years of pharmacy practice experience and is licensed in nine states. As a pharmacy educator, she has worked with Creighton University Distance Pathway Students for twenty years. She is instrumental in scheduling introductory pharmacy practice experience (IPPE) rotations for the Office of Experiential Education and recently began teaching the Pharmacy Practice Law course. She also serves as the Licensure Specialist for the pharmacy school. Teri has served on the Nebraska Pharmacists' Association Legislative Committee for the last 12 years and the Nebraska Board of Pharmacy's MPJE Review Committee.

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Rodney Richmond earned a BS in pharmacy from West Virginia University, an MS in Pharmacy Practice from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, a PharmD from the University of Colorado, and completed a 2-year residency at North Carolina Memorial Hospital. He has 38 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry, contemporary clinical practice, and as a pharmacist-entrepreneur. Dr. Richmond also has clinical, administrative, and teaching experience at the University of Pittsburgh College of Pharmacy, Marshall University School of Medicine, and Yale University College of Nursing. Currently, he serves as professor and chair in the Department of Pharmacy Practice at Harding University College of Pharmacy where he teaches pharmacy law and political pharmacy advocacy. Dr. Richmond is an active member of the Arkansas Pharmacists Association and ASPL, and currently he is a member of the Arkansas State Board of Pharmacy where he serves as the board's vice-president. Dr. Richmond has also served as an expert consultant to attorneys and the legal system for over 20 years.

Lindsay Wall is a Doctor of Pharmacy graduate from South University in Savannah, GA. She has almost 20 years of pharmacy experience including operations, administration, accreditation and compliance. Her interest in pharmacy compliance began in her previous role as the Chief Clinical Officer of a large independent pharmacy chain leading clinical program implementation and rollout for their 65 nationwide stores. In 2018, she started a consulting company to assist independent pharmacies on a larger scale to maintain compliance and seek accreditations for continuous quality improvement. Prior to moving to New York City in 2023, Lindsay was the President of the Tampa Bay Pharmacy Association, which spanned three counties, and is an active member of ASHP and ASPL..





Amanda Ward, PharmD, MS, BCGP, is passionate about pharmacists finding unique ways to impact patients. Since graduation from West Virginia University School of Pharmacy in 2008, Dr. Ward has held several non-traditional pharmacist roles. She has worked as a long-term care pharmacist, community pharmacist, regulatory consultant pharmacist, managed care pharmacist, and an ambulatory care pharmacist. In 2021, Dr. Ward obtained her MS Pharmacy degree in Pharmaceutical Outcomes and Policy from the University of Florida, in the pharmaceutical regulation specialty track. Dr. Ward was recently elected to serve the American Pharmacists Association Academy of Pharmacy Practice and Management (APhA-APPM) as Member at Large, from 2024-2026. In her free time, Dr. Ward enjoys reading, watching collegiate sports, traveling, and supporting her three children in numerous after school activities.

Dr. Jangus Whitner is Director of 340B Policy & Compliance at Apexus, HRSA's Prime Vendor for the federal 340B Drug Pricing Program. In this role, he provides 340B policy-to-practice, compliance, and education support to all stakeholders through virtual and in-person education, site visits, and call center escalation responses. In addition, he executes policy and marketplace trend analysis. Prior to Dr. Whitner's role at Apexus, he was the Director of Pharmacy Services for a large community health center in central Ohio. Dr. Whitner is a member of the board of directors of the National Center for Farmworker Health, founder and immediate past chair of the Ohio 340B FQHC Consortium, and an advisory board member of the Healthcare Administration/Management Program at Franklin University. Dr. Whitner earned both his BSPS and PharmD degrees from The University of Toledo and his Master of Healthcare Administration degree from Franklin University. He also completed two years of post-graduate pharmacy residency training.

