

Howard Straker
Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- 2009-present EdD Doctoral Candidate *GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF EDUCATION*, Department of Human and Organizational Learning (dissertation in progress)
- 2005-2006 Certificate – Master Teacher, *GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF EDUCATION*, Department of Human Resource Development (Medical Education)
- 1994-1997 Master's of Public Health *UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL*, Department of Health Behavior & Health Education (Thesis - Assets Mapping of Individual Gifts and Talents of the Residents of Southeast Raleigh, Carolyn Parks, PhD, advisor)
- 1984-1986 (Professional Certificate – Physician Associate) *YALE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE*, Physician Associate Program (Thesis - Reattachment of Upper Amputated Extremities: A Literature Review, Bruce Fichandler, PA, advisor)
- 1973- 1982 (Bachelor's of Arts) *STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT ALBANY* (Rhetoric & Communications, BA)

BOARD CERTIFICATIONS

- National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants Last recertification 2012
- The Center for Health Professions University California, San Francisco, Cultural Competency Trainer, Cultural Competency Trainer, 2002

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURES

- Active – Maryland; Inactive – North Carolina, New York

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- July 2001 – Present Assistant Professor/Director, Community Medicine, Physician Assistant Program, Department of Physician Assistant Studies, The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Washington, DC.
- July 2012 – Present Co-Director PA/MPH Joint Degree Program Physician Assistant Program, Department of Physician Assistant Studies, The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Washington, DC.
- July 2008 – Present Assistant Professor (secondary appointment), Department Prevention and Community Health, The George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services, Washington, DC.
- Sept 1997-June 2001 Assistant Professor/Clinical Coordinator, Department of Physician Assistant, College of Pharmacy, Nursing and Allied Health, Howard University, Washington, DC.
- Aug 1993 – Sept 1994 Lecturer/Advisor, MEDEX Northwest/Alaska Satellite Physician Assistant Program University of Washington - School of Public Health, Seattle, WA.
- Sept 1988 - May 1993 Clinical/Academic Coordinator, City University of New York Physician Assistant Program at Harlem Hospital, Sophie Davis School of Biomedical Education, City University of New York, New York, NY.

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PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS (Selected)

- April 2007 – June 2012 **Program Manager - DC Area Health Education Center Program Office, Washington, DC.**
- July 1998 – Dec. 2005 **Adolescent Medicine Physician Assistant, Healthy Teens and Young Adults Center, Baltimore, MD.** [part-time position].
- Oct. 1997 - Oct. 1999 **Emergency Medicine Physician Assistant, Mercy Medical Center, Baltimore, MD.** [per diem position].
- Apr. 1997 - Sep. 1997 **Adolescent/Pediatric and Adult Medicine Physician Assistant, Brownsville Multi-Service Family Health Center, Brooklyn, NY.**
- May 1997 - Jan. 1998 **Emergency Medicine Physician Assistant, Woodhull Medical and Mental Health Center Brooklyn, NY.** [per diem position].
- Dec. 1994 - Jan. 1997 **After Hours Clinic Physician Assistant, Student Health Service, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC.** [Part-time position].
- Aug. 1988 - July 1994 **Emergency Room Senior Physician Assistant, Beth Israel Medical Center, New York, NY.**

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Editorial Board - *Journal of the American Academy of Physician Assistants* - 1999 – 2008.
- Peer Reviewer - *Journal of the American Academy of Physician Assistants* - 1998 – 2009.
- Accreditation Site Visitor – *Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant* – 1998 – 2013.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE

Institutional service

George Washington University

- Research Evaluation and Assessment Committee of University Diversity Council, Public Health Advisory Committee to MD Program Curriculum - School of Medicine & Health Sciences (SMHS), Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Task Force SMHS, Interprofessional Education Faculty Committee, SMHS Elections Committee, 2004, 2004-2010,
- Search Committees – numerous including chair for SMHS, PA program., PT program, School of Public Health, Graduate School of Education and Human Development
- Admissions Committees – PA program- SMHS & Dept of Prevention and Community Health- School of Public Health and Health Services
- PA Program -Self Study Administrative Committee, Curriculum Internal Assessment & Oversight

Significant administrative roles

- School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Physician Assistant Studies & School of Public Health and Health Services, *Co-Director PA-MPH Joint Degree Program*, Spring 2014 to present,
- School of Medicine and Health Sciences, Physician Assistant Studies & School of Public Health and Health Services, *Interim Director, PA-MPH Joint Degree Program*, Spring 2013.
- School of Medicine and Health Sciences, *DC Area Health Education Center Project Manager*. 2009-2012.
- City University of New York Physician Assistant Program at Harlem Hospital, *Interim Director*, Feb 1991-May 1991.

Regional or national service/Professional organization activities

- Physician Assistant Education Association, Secretary 2013 – present, Minority Affairs Chair 1999-2001, 1991-1993; various task forces.
- American Academy of Physician Assistants, Minority Affairs Committee, 1986-1990; various task forces and ad-hoc committees.
- District of Columbia Academy of Physician Assistants, *President 2013*, 2003 – 2004, *Executive Board* since 2003-2013, *Vice President* 2005, *Legislative Chair* 2007-2011.
- Society of Primary Care Policy Fellows, *Board of Directors* 2006-present, *Treasurer* 2011-present.

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- Capitol City & District of Columbia Area Health Education Centers, *Board of Directors* 2004-2011.
- District of Columbia Primary Care Association, *Board of Directors* 2003-2008.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

- Physician Assistant Education Association, American Academy of Physician Assistants, DC Academy of Physician Assistants, Society of Primary Care Policy Fellows, Association of Clinicians for the Underserved, American Public Health Association.

TEACHING SERVICE(selected)

Teaching responsibilities:

Physician Assistant Program, George Washington University since 2001

- *Health, Justice & Society I, II; Clinical Medicine: Nephrology* Section: section coordinator, lecturer; *Clinical Assessment I; Primary Care; Community Service; Evidence Based Medicine* courses; Lecturer in various course.

Department of Prevention and Community Health, School of Public Health and Health Services, GWU

- *Community Oriented Primary Care: Principles and Practices*: instructor 2007-2011, 2013-present.

Department of Physician Assistant, Howard University 1997-2001

- *Physical Diagnosis; Clinical Medicine: Cardiology and Gastroenterology; Radiology*: lectured in various clinical courses

MEDEX Northwest/Alaska (Sitka, AK) Satellite PA Program University of Washington 1993-1994-

- Behavioral Science; Emergency Medicine; Lectured in various clinical courses.

City University of New York Physician Assistant Program at Harlem Hospital, New York, NY. 1988-1983

- *Interviewing Techniques; Culture Health & Illness; Community Medicine*; Lectured in various courses

Course Development

Physician Assistant Program, George Washington University

- *Health, Justice & Society I, II; Evidenced Based Medicine I, II & III*
- *Radiology*
- *Culture Health & Illness; Community Medicine*

Curriculum Development

- Co-developer for *Interprofessional Educational Activities* (includes PT, MD, School of Nursing and Speech Language Pathology); Co-developer for *ISCOPES* (Interdisciplinary Community Prevention Enhancement Service) online course; *COPC tract* curriculum redesign

Course lectures Too numerous to mention, please see teaching.

Clinical Preceptor

- Adolescent Medicine, *Healthy Teens and Young Adults Center, Baltimore, MD*. PA students (GW).
- Emergency Medicine, *Mercy Medical Center, Baltimore, MD*. PA student (*Essex PA Program*)
- Urgent Care, *Student Health Service, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC*. NP students.
- Emergency Medicine, *Harlem Hospital, New York, NY*. PA students (CUNY/Harlem Hospital PA Program).
- Emergency Medicine, *Beth Israel Medical Center, New York, NY*. PA students (LIU PA Program) and MD students

Small group teaching

- *Integration of Clinical Concepts I, II & III; Primary Care; Physical Diagnosis II & III*

Graduate student committees (including mentoring and Master's projects)

Department of Prevention and Community Health, School of Public Health and Health Services, GWU.

- *Community Oriented Primary Care*: advisor to numerous students thesis projects and papers

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PUBLICATIONS (selected)

- Race, ethnicity, and the physician assistant profession. Journal of the American Academy of Physician Assistants, LeLacheur, S., Barnett, J., **Straker, H.**, Refereed Article. 2015. Journal of the American Academy of Physician Assistants 28(10):41-45.
- Educational Mixology: A Pedagogical Approach to Faculty Development and Course Redesign in Health Sciences, Online Learning, McDonald, PL, Lyons, L, **Straker, H.**, Barnett, J., Schlumpf, K., & Corcoran, M, Refereed Article, 2014, Online Learning, 18(4), 33-50.
- Learning Partnerships: Students and Faculty Learning Together to Facilitate Reflection and Higher Order Thinking in a Blended Course., Online Learning, McDonald, PL, **Straker, H**, Schlumpf, K., & Plack, M., Refereed Article, 2014, Online Learning, 18(4), 73-93.
- Culture, Diversity, Race, and the Standards: Assessing and Addressing the Hidden Curricula, Journal of Physician Assistant Education, LeLacheur, S.F. & **Straker, H**, Refereed Article, 2011, 22(2)34-37.
- Integrating Cultural Competency Across the Curriculum, Journal of Physician Assistant Education, **Straker, H** & LeLacheur, S, Refereed Article, 2007, 18(2): 60-63.
- Diversity in Physician Assistant Education, Journal of Physician Assistant Education, Mulitalo K. & **Straker, H**, Refereed Article, 2007, 18(3): 46-51.

Book chapters

- Blending for Sustainability: Aligning the Needs of Adult Learners with the Needs of Health Sciences Education, McDonald PL & **Straker HO**. In Building Sustainable Futures for Adult Learners, Holtz JK, Springer SB, Editors, 2014 Information Age Publishing: Charlotte, NC. This is a peer-reviewed book.
- Inner city care, , Gianola FJ, **Straker H**, Scott T, Wick KH, , In Physician Assistant: A Guide to Clinical Practice 5th (ED) Ballweg R, Sullivan, Brown D. & Vetrosky(, 5th Ed 2013, W.B. Saunder Company, Philadelphia, PA
- The multidisciplinary healthcare leadership model, Lofton C. & **Straker, H.** , 2011, J. Wolf, in Organization Development in Health Care: High Impact Practices for a Complex and Changing Environment, Hansen, & M. J. Mair (Eds.) pp. 89-106), Charlotte, NC: Information Age Publishing.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS (selected)

- Lessons Learned from Blending in Health Sciences: Crafting a Course Model for Student Success, 11h Annual Sloan Blended Learning Conference, Denver, CO. McDonald, PL, Lyons, LB, Straker, H, Walker, B, & Ruckert, E., Paper Presentation, July 2014.
- Blending for Reflective Practice: Course Redesign for Improved Pedagogy, Sloan Blended Learning Conference, Milwaukee, WI, Paige McDonald & Howard Straker, Paper Presentation, July 2013.
- Educational Mixology: Pedagogical Approaches to Faculty Development and Course Redesign in Health Sciences., Sloan Blended Learning Conference, Milwaukee, WI, Paige McDonald, Laurie Lyons, Linda Cotton & Howard Straker, Paper Presentation, 2013, July 2013.
- Blending for Reflective Physician Assistant Practice: Course Redesign for Improved Pedagogy, Physician Assistant Education Association Annual Education Forum. Memphis, TN, Howard Straker & Paige McDonald, October, 2013.
- Teaching Metacognition: Using “How Doctors Think” to Develop Advanced Clinical Reasoning Skills in Senior Physician Assistant Students – Physician Assistant Education Association Scientific and Educational Meeting. Baltimore, MD Oct 2010. Co-presenter
- What is Race and Why Does it Matter? Thinking about How Race is Taught to Assistant and Medical Students. Expert Panel presentation with Perry Payne and Susan LeLacheur. Physician Assistant Education Association Scientific and Educational Meeting. Baltimore, MD Oct 2010.
- Teaching Cultural Competency – add on day long workshop at the Physician Assistant Education Association Scientific and Educational Meeting. Savannah, Georgia. Oct 2008.
- Developing & Evaluating Cross-Cultural Training for PA Students – panelist Physician Assistant Educational Association Annual Educational Forum. Tuscon, AZ October 2007.