



**2023 Annual Conference  
Massachusetts Association of  
Occupational Health Nurses  
New England College of  
Occupational and  
Environmental Medicine  
Occupational Health  
in a Changing World**

### Faculty:



**Sherry Baron, MD, MPH**  
Queens College, New York

Sherry Baron is a Professor of Occupational and Environmental Health at the Barry Commoner Center for Health and the Environment at Queens College, City University of New York. Her research focuses on the workplace safety and health issues facing low wage and immigrant workers, including domestic

workers. Prior to becoming a professor she was a medical officer and researcher at the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health and was in charge of NIOSHS occupational health equity program.



**Nick Browning, MD**  
Yale New Haven Hospital

Dr Browning has over 17 years of experience in Occupational Medicine. Dr. Browning received his MD from the University of Connecticut School of

Medicine, and has spent his career practicing medicine in Connecticut. The majority of his career has been with Yale New Haven Health, in the capacity of Regional Medical Director of Occupation Medicine and Wellness Services. In 2020 he graduated from the two year Yale School of Management Emerging Leaders in

Medicine program. He recently joined Middlesex Hospital in Connecticut, where he continues to see patients and teach Occupational Medicine Fellows.



**David Cockrum, MD**

Dartmouth Hitchcock

David is the Section of Occupational Medicine, in the Department of Medicine, at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center in New Hampshire. In this role he also serves as Medical Director overseeing medical center employee health activities for DHMC as well as other hospitals affiliated through the Dartmouth Health network. He served 20 years in the U.S. Air Force, retiring in the grade of Colonel. He then spent 5 ½ years at Faith Regional Health Services in Norfolk, Nebraska, as a staff occupational medicine physician prior to his current role.



**Alan Curtis, MD**

Boston Sports and Shoulder Center

After completing the Southern California Sports Medicine (SCOI) Fellowship, Dr. Curtis developed a lasting commitment to the advancement of arthroscopic shoulder surgery. He has focused his research on disorders of the shoulder, particularly rotator cuff repairs. Dr. Curtis is committed to physician education. He is a Clinical Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at Tufts University and is the founder and chairman of the annual Boston Sports Medicine Symposium. He serves as a board member for the Arthroscopy Association of North America (AANA) and is a member of the American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons (ASES). He is widely published and lectures nationally and internationally on disorders of the shoulder. Dr. Curtis served as team physician for Northeastern University from 1996 to 2004 and continues to serve as a team physician for the Boston Celtics since 1994. Dr. Curtis specializes in all arthroscopic shoulder surgeries with a particular interest in complex and revision rotator cuff repairs.



**Clarke Darlington, MD, MPH**

Premise Health

Board certified occupational medicine specialist and family physician with 28 years of experience in the management of on-site occupational medical centers. Board certified in Family Medicine 1980 and recertified in 1986. Board certified in occupational medicine 1992.



**Donna Ferreira, ANP, MS, COHN-S/CM,  
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Premise Health

Donna C. Ferreira is a Director Clinical Operations for Premise Health serving a large defense company for 17 years. She has over 35 years of experience in occupational health nursing which includes 18 years as Nurse Practitioner and Manager of the Medical Department at a New England electric utility.

Donna is board certified in occupational health nursing, case management, hearing conservation, and as an adult nurse practitioner. She is the President of the Massachusetts Association of Occupational Health Nurses and has served on the Board for 14 years. Donna is a Fellow of the American Association of Occupational Health Nurses. She is the recipient of the 2023 Medique Award for nursing leadership and the MaAOHN Lifetime Achievement award. Donna received the Ada Mayo Stewart Excellence in Occupational Health Nursing Case Management Award from American Board of Occupational Health Nursing in 2018 and the Massachusetts Association of Occupational Health Nurses' state Nurse Excellence Award in 2014. She was the National Chairperson for Nurses of the Edison Electric Institute. She received her Master's Degree from the University of Massachusetts Graduate School of Nursing where she was the President of the Honor Society. Donna graduated from Fitchburg State College with a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing.

Donna has been published in The Nurse Practitioner journal on Dept. of Transportation Physicals, in the Occupational Health Management journal on management skills and most recently in the April New England College of Occupational and Environmental Health newsletter on triaging. She has been a presenter at over sixty national and international conferences on various topics in occupational health.



**Eric Garshick, MD**

Veterans Administration

Dr. Garshick is Associate Chief, Pulmonary, Allergy, Sleep, and Critical Care Medicine Section at VA Boston Healthcare System and Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School. In addition to practicing clinical pulmonary medicine at VA Boston, his research has focused on epidemiologic studies assessing the health effects of inhaled

particulate matter.

He has conducted NIH-funded epidemiologic studies in railroad worker and trucking industry workers that contributed to the assessment of diesel exhaust, a lung carcinogen, and on effects of particulate matter in patients with COPD. He is currently study co-chair of VA Cooperative Study #595 entitled Pulmonary Health and Deployment to Southwest Asia and Afghanistan assessing associations between deployment-related particulate matter exposures and pulmonary function in Veterans.



**Ari Goldminz, MD, FAAD**

Brigham and Women's Hospital

Assistant Professor of Dermatology, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Instructor, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Assistant Professor in the Department of Environmental Health, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health



**Natalie Hartenbaum, MD, MPH, FCOEM**

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Adjunct Assistant Professor in Emergency Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania and Medical Director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. She is editor of *The DOT Medical Examination: A Guide to Commercial Driver Medical Certification*; now in its sixth edition as well as Editor-in-Chief of *CDME (Commercial Driver Medical Review) Update*, a quarterly newsletter published by ACOEM on issues of commercial driver medical certification. Dr. Hartenbaum has lectured and written extensively on issues of fitness for duty with a concentration in the transportation industry. She has testified for the National Transportation Safety Board at hearings exploring commercial driver medical certification issues and has served on committees and Medical Expert Panels for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). Dr. Hartenbaum has extensive experience in both the corporate and clinical setting and is board certified in both Internal Medicine and Occupational Medicine.



**Shane Journey, MD**

University of Toronto

JD Irving Research Chair in Occupational Medicine, based at Dalhousie Medicine New Brunswick; Board Certified in Occupational Medicine and is a graduate of both the Harvard Occupational & Environmental Medicine Residency program and the Harvard School of Public Health (MPH). He is a specialist in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation in Canada (FRCPC) and the United States (DAPMR), having completed his residency training at the University of Toronto.



**Hervey Kimball, MD**

New England Baptist Hospital

Dr. Hervey Kimball is an orthopaedic surgeon who specializes in orthopaedic and hand surgery, and holds certification in surgery of the hand and from the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery. He is also a member of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgeons as well as the American Medical

Association. After receiving his medical degree from Georgetown University, Dr. Kimball completed a residency and fellowships focused on specialized areas of orthopaedic surgery. He completed his residency at the University of Connecticut Health Center, a fellowship in hand and microvascular surgery at the Duke University Medical Center, and studied elbow surgery at the University of Western Ontario.



**Steven Markowitz, MD, DrPH**

Queens College

Steven Markowitz MD DrPH, an occupational medicine physician, internist, and epidemiologist, directs the Barry Commoner Center for Health and the Environment at the City University of New York. He has directed a large national medical screening program of nuclear weapons workers, including screening for occupational lung cancer, for 25 years. Dr. Markowitz has published research on

occupational disease screening, asbestos-related disorders, and occupational cancer.



**Sonia Qasba, MD**

Suburban Hospital/ Johns Hopkins

Dr. Sonia Qasba is an accomplished medical professional with over 15 years of clinical experience specializing in internal medicine, pediatrics, infectious disease, and in particular, Tuberculosis diagnosis and treatment. In all her specialties, she takes evidence-based approaches to ensure the best outcomes for all patients.



**Mark Russi, MD, MPH**

Yale University

Dr. Russi is a professor of medicine at the Yale Medical School. He graduated summa cum laude from Dartmouth College in 1984, was a Fulbright Scholar, earned his medical degree from the University of California San Francisco, and his public health degree from Yale. He completed both internal medicine residency and occupational and environmental medicine fellowship at Yale, joining the faculty in 1993. He is interested in the occupational medicine of healthcare workers and is active nationally in both guidance development and educational programs to enhance the safety of medical centers. Dr. Russi teaches in several courses at Yale, attends on the internal medicine inpatient service, and directs Occupational Health Services at Yale New Haven Hospital.



**Chana Sacks, MD, MPH**

Massachusetts General Hospital

Chana A. Sacks, MD, MPH is a general internist in the Department of Medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital, an Assistant Professor in Medicine at Harvard Medical School, and Co-Director of the MGH Gun Violence Prevention Center. She is also the executive editor of NEJM Evidence.



**Daniel Solomon, MD**

Brigham and Women's Hospital

Dr. Daniel A. Solomon trained in internal medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital, and completed Infectious Disease Fellowship in the combined BWH/MGH on the HIV clinical track. He is a clinician educator in the Division of Infectious Diseases. His clinical interests are in caring for patients with HIV, Hepatitis C, and tickborne diseases and he has specific expertise in the management of infections related to injection drug use. He is the Morgan-Zinsser Associate Director of Clinical Learning in the Health Sciences and Technology Track at Harvard Medical School.



**Austin Sumner, MD**

Central Vermont Medical Center

Dr. Austin Sumner attended Louisiana State University Medical School followed by a residency in Internal medicine and a fellowship in environmental and occupational medicine. After completing his fellowship Dr. Sumner served as an Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention investigating occupational and environmental disease outbreaks.

Dr. Sumner has been practicing occupational medicine for 10 years and he is particularly interested in helping those who are out of work and/or have lost their way in the workers compensation system.





**Ann Zaia, PhD, CNP, SM, MSN, MHA, CHE, COHN-S,  
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Nurse Practitioner based in Gainesville, Florida. She has over 20 years of diverse experiences in the field of nursing, especially as a Nurse Practitioner.