



Family Planning Team

Cassing Hammond, MD

Director, Section of Family Planning & Contraception
Director, Fellowship in Family Planning & Contraception (FSM)

Cassing Hammond, MD, is Director of the Section and Fellowship in Family Planning & Contraception and Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Northwestern University. He also directs OBGYN services at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago and is the gynecologic consultant for Northwestern's comprehensive HIV Center.

Dr. Hammond obtained his BA and MD degrees through the six year BA/MD program at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Following residency training in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Rochester, he joined a university-affiliated private practice in Rochester and continued providing first and second trimester abortion care.

He decided return to academia in 1995 to pursue two seemingly distinct academic interests: family planning and reproductive issues confronting women with disabilities. Hammond's academic interests include contraception and abortion among medically compromised patients, particularly women with physical and cognitive disabilities. He is President Elect of the National Abortion Federation, an organization representing approximately 80 percent of US and Canadian abortion providers and has chaired its Medical Education and Quality Assurance and Improvement Committees.

He is a founding member of the Society of Family Planning (SFP), a fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), as well as a member of the Association of Reproductive Health Professionals (ARHP), Physicians for Reproductive Choice and Health (PRCH), the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO), and numerous other organizations dedicated to women's health.



Jessica Kiley, MD, MPH

Director, Ryan Residency Training Program (FSM)

Jessica Kiley, MD, MPH is an Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology and a graduate of the Northwestern University Fellowship in Family Planning and Contraception. She completed her residency training in obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Chicago Hospitals and is a graduate of Cornell University, the University of Florida College of Medicine, and the Northwestern University Master's Program in Public Health. Dr. Kiley serves as Director of the Kenneth J. Ryan Residency Training Program in Family Planning. Her clinical interests include complex contraception, prenatal care, and surgical sterilization. Dr. Kiley has authored peer-reviewed articles on contraceptive technologies and conducts reproductive health research studies. She is a member of ACOG, ARHP, PRCH, and SFP.



Lee Shulman, MD

Director, Reproductive Genetics (FSM)

Lee P. Shulman, MD, is the Anna Ross Lapham Professor in Obstetrics and Gynecology and Chief of the Division of Reproductive Genetics at the Feinberg School of Medicine.

He is a Fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, a Founding Fellow of the American College of Medical Genetics and a Founding Member of the Society of Family Planning.

Dr. Shulman graduated from Cornell University as well as Cornell University Medical College. Dr. Shulman completed residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at North Shore University Hospital – Cornell University Medical College followed by a fellowship in Reproductive Genetics at the University of Tennessee, Memphis. He then joined the Ob/Gyn faculty of the University of Tennessee, Memphis, becoming the Director of Reproductive Genetics in 1994. In 1999 he relocated to the University of Illinois at Chicago where he served as Deputy Head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Director of the Divisions of Reproductive Genetics and Ambulatory Care Services and as Medical Director of the Center of Excellence in Women's Health.

Dr. Shulman is a member of numerous regional, national and international organizations that pertain to the health and care of women. He currently serves as the Immediate Past Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Association of Reproductive Health Professionals. His work has been recognized regionally and nationally. He is the editor-in-chief of the *Yearbook of Obstetrics and Gynecology and Reproductive Medicine*, is a contributing editor for *The Journal of Reproductive Medicine* and the executive editor of *The Journal of Gynecologic Surgery*.

He also serves on the editorial boards of *Contraception*, *Prenatal Diagnosis*, *Journal of Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology*, *Menopause*, and as a peer-reviewer for 31 journals. His major research interests are in reproductive genetics, contraception, botanical interventions in women's health and menopause.



Jeff Dungan, MD

Medical Director, Graduate Program in Genetic Counseling (FSM)

Jeffrey Dungan, MD, joined the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology as an Associate Professor in the Division of Reproductive Genetics in 2006. He served on the faculty at Baylor College of Medicine for several years and prior to that had been on staff at the University of Maryland Medical Systems in Baltimore.

Dr. Dungan attended Creighton University School of Medicine in Omaha, NE and completed his OB/GYN residency at the University of Virginia. He then completed his fellowship in Reproductive Genetics at the University of Tennessee, Memphis. His primary clinical and research interests are in prenatal diagnosis, genetic screening and ultrasonography.

He has many years of experience in family planning procedures and services both for inpatients and outpatients. Throughout his academic career, he has been heavily involved in student and resident education. Most recently, he was named Medical Director of the Graduate Program in Genetic Counseling at Northwestern University.



Catherine Stika, MD

Catherine S. Stika, MD, is an Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology and has been a member of the Northwestern Medical Faculty Foundation since 1990.

She completed her residency training in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Michael Reese Medical Center in 1983 and a fellowship in Clinical Pharmacology at Northwestern University in 1996. She is a graduate of Cornell University and the State University of New York Upstate Medical School. In addition to having an active practice in general obstetrics and gynecologic surgery, her clinical interests focus on the pharmacology of contraception, including drug–drug interactions, contraceptive options for women with medical problems, medical termination, and pharmacologic changes in pregnancy.

She is currently developing a website for medication use in pregnancy. In addition to co-staffing our Complex Contraception Clinic, she also participates in the Vulvar Mucosal Specialty Clinic which is jointly run by Northwestern University Dermatology and Obstetrics & Gynecology departments.

Dr. Stika has published research studies in obstetric and contraceptive pharmacology and physiology and has worked with the Food and Drug Administration and the National Institutes of Health in their obstetrical pharmacology initiatives.



John Sciarra, MD, PhD

Chair Emeritus, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology (FSM)

John J. Sciarra, MD, PhD, has served as Professor and Chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology of Northwestern University Medical School Northwestern University and at the Northwestern Memorial Hospital from 1974 to 2003.

Dr. Sciarra has written more than 100 scientific papers and has authored or edited 16 books in the areas of obstetrics and gynecology, family planning, and contraceptive development. Dr. Sciarra holds an honorary degree in surgery and medicine from the University of Genoa. He has honorary memberships in the Italian Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology, the Israeli Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology, the Hungarian Society of Gynecologists, the Polish Gynecological Society, the Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists of Italian Hospitals and the Russian Association of Gynecological Oncology.

He was also admitted to the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (London) as a Fellow *ad eundem* in 1992. Dr. Sciarra has been a frequent guest speaker at international meetings, often speaking on reproductive health issues. From 1991 to 1994, Dr. Sciarra served as president of the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO), an association representing over 100 member countries. As president, Dr. Sciarra worked on behalf of FIGO's efforts to further maternal and child health worldwide.

His other international positions have included serving as both a member and chairman of the Scientific and Ethical Review Group of the World Health Organization (WHO) Special Program of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction. He is a past president of the International Society for Gynecologic Endoscopy (ISGE).

He is a founding member and the present treasurer of the Society of Family Planning. In recent years, he has served as chairman of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) Committee on

International Affairs, president of the American Association of Maternal and Neonatal Health, Secretary/Treasurer and President of the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO), Secretary/Treasurer and President of the APGO Medical Education Foundation, president of the Chicago Gynecological Society, a member of the Council on Resident Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology, and president of the Central Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

Dr. Sciarra has substantial experience establishing reproductive health training programs in Africa. Most notably, he served as chairman of the External Advisory Board for the Carnegie Corporation Project for post-graduate training in obstetrics and gynecology in Ghana, West Africa, helping establish its current residency training program in Obstetrics and Gynecology. This program has succeeded in implementing a curriculum in OBGYN and training a self-sustaining faculty in OBGYN.



Banessa Ford-Pugh

Coordinator, Section of Family Planning & Contraception

Banessa Ford-Pugh joined the Northwestern Medical Faculty Foundation in 1998. She has extensive experience in office and operating room scheduling, billing matters, and insurance payment issues. She believes in a clinical environment that is efficient and responsive to women's special health care needs.

Marci Peck, APN



Marci Peck is an advanced practice nurse who completed a Bachelor of Science in nursing from Loyola University of Chicago in 2007. She received a Master of Science from Loyola University Chicago and her certification as a Women's Health Nurse Practitioner in 2011. She has provided family planning, obstetric and gynecological care at Northwestern Medicine since 2012. She sees the full spectrum of low-risk obstetric and gynecology patients but assists with sub-specialty family planning care, including the management of severely troubled pregnancies in the first and second trimester. She coordinates Northwestern's Ryan Program in Family Planning.



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