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Mr. Chris Roman graduated from Xavier University with a degree in Biology before earning a MA in Psychology at the University of Illinois at Chicago with a focus on behavioral neuroscience.

He completed his PA education at Midwestern University in Downers Grove, IL in 2010.

He has practiced in the areas of dermatology and infectious disease, and now sees patients in an urgent care clinic in Indianapolis.

Mr. Roman joined the Butler Faculty in 2014, and enjoys instructing students in clinical medicine. He also enjoys precepting students in the urgent care clinic.

He has authored numerous articles in both medicine and basic sciences, and has delivered presentations at several conferences. He currently serves as the President of the Indiana Academy of Physician Assistants.

He spends his spare time having fun with his wife and two young boys, as well as their erratically behaved Goldendoodle.

JENNIFER SNYDER

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Dr. Snyder graduated from the Butler University / Methodist Hospital PA program in 1997 and later earned a PhD in Health Sciences from Nova Southeastern University. She has worked in both Family and Emergency Medicine.

Dr. Snyder joined the Butler faculty in 1999 and has served as both the academic coordinator and a clinical coordinator. She is a tenured, professor. She has served as a University Faculty Senator and chaired the College and University Professional Standards Committees while at Butler.

Dr. Snyder has been active in several national organizations of the PA profession. She was elected as President of the Physician Assistant Education Association in 2016. She has served as a site visitor for the Accreditation Review Commission on the Education of the Physician Assistant. Dr. Snyder has previously served as chair of the Public Relations Committee and Constituent Relations Committee of the American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA). She has served on multiple Reference Committees and Standing Rules Committees within the House of Delegates (HOD) of the AAPA.

Dr. Snyder was elected to positions within the Indiana Academy of Physician Assistants as President, Secretary and on numerous occasions as a Delegate to the AAPA HOD. She has remained an active member with her state physician assistant organization.

Dr. Snyder was awarded the President's Award by the Student Academy of American Academy of Physician Assistants in 2011. She is a Distinguished Fellow of the AAPA.

She has presented and published several articles on clinical, professional, and workforce topics associated with the PA profession and education.

She resides in Indianapolis with her husband, Jack and two daughters. Go Dawgs!

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Mrs. Jennifer Zorn holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology from Hanover College and a Master of Science in Biology from Purdue University. She graduated with a Master of Science in Physician Assistant Practice from Finch University of Health Sciences in 1999.

Mrs. Zorn specialized in primary care, including Internal Medicine, Geriatrics and Family Medicine before joining Butler in 2006. She is a tenured, associate professor.

Mrs. Zorn has taught various courses in the PA program, including psychosocial and behavioral medicine, Issues in Professional Practice, and History and Physical Examination.

She chairs the Awards and Scholarship committee, has co-chaired Continuing Medical Education events and she served as a Board Member for the Indiana Academy of Physician Assistants in 2017.

She has published several articles related to Education and the PA workforce.

Mrs. Zorn lives in Indianapolis with her husband Bill and their two daughters. She looks forward to continued service to Butler University and its students.

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Mr. Daniel Sturm is a licensed Physician Assistant with 15 years of experience in primary care. He graduated from Eastern Illinois University with a Bachelor of Science in Zoology in 1995 and a Masters of Medical Science degree in Physician Assistant Studies in 1997. Mr. Sturm specializes in providing outpatient comprehensive primary care services including minor routine office procedures. His clinical interests include travel medicine, patient education, health promotion and disease prevention.

Mr. Sturm joined Butler University in 2011 as an Assistant Professor for the Physician Assistant Program within the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. He has taught within Introduction to Imaging Studies, Clinical Medicine, Social and Behavioral Medicine, Clinical Integration, and has provided lab instruction for History and Physical Assessment, Clinical Procedures, and Diagnostics and Therapeutics labs.

Mr. Sturm is a strong advocate of the PA profession and co-chairs the Continuing Medical Education Committee for the Indiana Academy of Physician Assistants. In addition, he has been instrumental in organizing and promoting Indiana's first Student Medical Challenge Bowl for PAs.

His personal interests include rooting for Butler's athletic teams, disc golfing, and camping. He resides in Westfield, Indiana with his wife, two children, a rabbit, and nine chickens.

JENNIFER GUTHRIE

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Mrs. Jennifer Guthrie was born and raised in Beech Grove, IN. She graduated Magna Cum Laude from Xavier University in 1998 with a Bachelors of Natural Sciences, and then went on to graduate Cum Laude with High Honors from Butler University in 2000 with her Bachelors of Science in Physician Assistant Studies. She completed her Masters of Physician Assistant Studies degree in May 2014 from the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Mrs. Guthrie has practiced as a PA in family medicine since 2000, and continues to see patients at Family Medical Center in Seymour, IN. She has been actively involved with the Indiana Academy of Physician Assistants since 2002, serving roles such as CME Chairperson and Vice President of the Executive Board. She currently serves as a Director at Large

Mrs. Guthrie joined the faculty in January 2012 and serves as the Director of Experiential Education for the program. She also teaches in the PA didactic curriculum in the Clinical Medicine and Women's Health Courses.

Mrs. Guthrie married her high school sweetheart, Joe Guthrie, in 1999 and they have been blessed with two children. She resides in Columbus, IN.

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Mrs. Kali Veness earned a Bachelor of Arts with High Honors in Sociology and a Bachelor of Health Science with Honors before she graduated with a Master of Physician Assistant Studies degree from Butler University in 2008.

As a nationally certified and licensed PA in Indiana, she has clinical experience in orthopedics, pediatrics and occupational/primary care medicine.

Mrs. Veness joined the Department of PA Studies faculty in 2015 and teaches the Interpretation of Laboratory Studies for PAs and Clinical Procedures courses.

As a former NCAA Division I volleyball player, she enjoys keeping active with her husband and three children.

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Mrs. Elizabeth (Betsy) Schmidt is a 1999 graduate of the Butler University/Methodist Hospital PA program. She later earned an M.S. in PA Studies from Pace University. During her years in clinical practice, caring for patients in both emergency medicine and orthopedic surgery, she supported the PA program by precepting PA students and lecturing in Clinical Medicine.

With a vision to address the need for improving the quality of surgical care, she founded a PA-owned corporation in 2003--the first in the

state of Indiana that supplied PAs as the first assistant to surgeons who did not employ a PA. To accomplish this, she tenaciously worked with insurance companies, including Medicare, to develop an infrastructure that allowed PAs to bill and be reimbursed directly while not compromising the supervisory role of the physician.

Mrs. Schmidt joined the Butler University Department of PA studies in 2015. A lifelong learner herself, she is passionate about helping students successfully prepare for a life of service and adaptation as a PA in an ever-changing medical environment. Mrs. Schmidt shares her skills at the national level by serving as a member of the Physician Assistance Education Association PACKRAT Exam Development Board.

Mrs. Schmidt is happily married to an exceptional orthopedic PA, Butler alumnus, Kevin Schmidt. Together they are blessed to have four children.

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Mrs. Lori Fauquher is a life-long Hoosier, born and raised in Muncie, IN. A graduate of the Honors College at Ball State University, Lori earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Exercise Science and Wellness in 1995. She worked as a personal trainer and in physical therapy for several years before earning a Master of Science degree in Physician Assistant Studies from the University of Saint Francis in 2004.

Mrs. Fauquher has practiced in emergency medicine, orthopedics, and family medicine over the past 12 years. She has been active in the Indiana Academy of Physician Assistants (IAPA), having served on the Board of Directors as President, Vice President, and Director at Large. In addition, she has served as chair and co-chair for several IAPA CME conferences.

Mrs. Fauquher joined the Butler University PA program faculty in 2016, and is proud to be part of the Bulldog family!

She resides in Yorktown, IN with her husband and their three children.

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Mrs. Erin Cochard is a native of New Albany, Indiana.

In 2000, she graduated from Taylor University with a Bachelor of Science in Education. Erin completed her Master of Education with a concentration in College Student Personal from the University of Louisville in 2004.

Her career in higher education has offered her opportunities to serve in residence life, student activities, student life, undergraduate admission, and event planning. In 2009, Erin began working at Butler University, and in 2015, she had the pleasure of joining the PA Program staff. Erin serves the Physician Assistant Education Association as a member of the CAS Enhancements Workgroup.

Erin enjoys living in Indianapolis with her wonderful husband Chuck and their two children.

MOLLY CRIFE

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Molly was born and raised in Kalamazoo, Michigan. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Saint Mary's College in South Bend, Indiana.

Her career highlights include caring for pediatric neurosurgery patients and pediatric oncology patients at Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago and Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis. Molly spent ten years as an elementary school librarian before joining the Butler University PA Program as an Administrative Specialist in 2015.

Molly and her family have enjoyed all the benefits of living near Butler University for many years.

KAREN FULLER

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Karen comes to us from the state of Michigan where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Physiology from Central Michigan University. She spent eight years working in Cardiac Rehabilitation and eleven years as a sales representative for Johnson & Johnson and Boehringer-Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals. Her patient care experience, as well as her interaction with medical professionals in a multitude of clinical settings, prepared her to serve as the PA Program's *Experiential Education Liaison*. Karen supports the PA Program through developing and maintaining relationships with current clinical sites/preceptors, pursuing new opportunities for experiential learning, and facilitating the legal contracts necessary for student placement.

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Mrs. Beverly Johnson returned to Butler University in 2016 to serve as an Administrative Specialist in the Physician Assistant Program Experiential Office. Beverly began her Butler University career in 1999 in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences as Administrative Specialist and later served as the Academic Program Coordinator for COPHS Healthy Horizons program.

Mrs. Johnson is married with two daughters (both Butler graduates) and three grandchildren. She is a native of Michigan and her personal interests include photography, traveling, boating and home improvements.

MISSY PARSONS-HORTON

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Missy was born and raised in Mooresville, Indiana. She graduated from Professional Careers Institute in 1988 as a Certified Medical Assistant. She worked at Mooresville Family Practice for several years before going back to PCI to teach medical assisting. She then worked as an Event Coordinator for the NCAA for 2 years before going to Eli Lilly and Company for 11 years.

Missy was thrilled to join Butler University in 2012. She currently serves as the Academic Program Coordinator for Experiential Education in the PA department.

Missy lives with her husband Steve and has three children. Her daughter Victoria and son Max are both students here at Butler University in the Pharmacy program. Her stepdaughter Angela lives in Westfield with her two granddaughters Lulu and Kinlee.

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Dr. Mikaela Drake holds a BS in Molecular Biology from Florida Institute of Technology, a MS in Physiology from Indiana University School of Medicine, and a PhD in Physiology, Cardiovascular Science, from Indiana University School of Medicine.

Before coming to Butler University in 2015, Dr. Drake taught Human Physiology as a postdoctoral fellow at the Indiana University School of Medicine.

As an Assistant Professor in the Health Science Program at Butler University, Dr. Drake teaches Anatomy and Physiology to PA students.

Dr. Drake has co-authored multiple peer-reviewed articles and abstracts and has numerous presentations at national and international meetings to her credit. She also holds active membership in several physiological societies.

Dr. Drake was a collegiate athlete and integrates in her love of fitness in her lifestyle. She lives in Westfield with her husband, Alex, and her golden retriever, Charley.

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Dr. Brenda Quincy has been a physician assistant for 28 years. After working clinically in Family Practice for 15 years, she completed a Master of Public Health (Epidemiology concentration) and worked for one year supporting epidemiology research at Walter Reed Army Institute of Research.

She was a faculty member in two different Physician Assistant Programs and completed a PhD in Health Sciences (International Health Concentration) prior to relocating to Indianapolis in late 2014.

She joined the faculty in the Health Sciences Program in 2015. Dr. Quincy is responsible for the *Interpretation of the Medical Literature* course in the PA curriculum and teaches a variety of courses in the BSHS program, including *Healthcare Biostatistics* and *Health Care Communications*.

Her recent scholarship has centered on evidence-based medicine. She has also published original research regarding cervical cancer screening in developing countries. Dr. Quincy serves on the Editorial Advisory Board of the *Journal of Physician Assistant Education*.

She lives in Indianapolis with her husband, Mike. Together they enjoy teaching kids and serving the community through their church.

