



## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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**EDUCATION:** O.D., Doctor of Optometry  
Pennsylvania College of Optometry  
1200 West Godfrey Avenue  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19141  
May, 1981

M.P.H., Master of Public Health  
Department of Health Administration  
School of Public Health  
University of North Carolina 27514  
May, 1976

B.S., Bachelor of Science  
Appalachian State University  
Boone, North Carolina 28607

Major: Biology  
Minors: Psychology, Chemistry & Education  
May, 1973

A.S., Associate in Science  
Western Piedmont Community College  
Morganton, North Carolina 28655  
May, 1970

## **CERTIFICATION:**

Successfully completed the National Board Examination in Optometry. April, 1981. Successfully completed the International Association of Boards of Examiners in Optometry examination on "Treatment and Management of Ocular Disease". May, 1986.

Licensed by the State Board of Examiners in Optometry in North Carolina, September, 1981; Oklahoma, August, 1983; Tennessee, July, 1988.

## **EMPLOYMENT/PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

Group practice of optometry and ophthalmology, Concord, North Carolina -- June, 1993 to present.

Private practice of optometry, Thomasville, North Carolina -- March, 1990 to June, 1993.

Group practice of optometry, Fayetteville, North Carolina -- June, 1988 to March, 1990.

Private practice of optometry and associate practice with ophthalmology. Tulsa, Oklahoma -- August, 1984 to May, 1988.

Clinical Optometrist, Bolling Air Force Base Medical Clinic, Washington, District of Columbia -- July, 1981 to July 1984.

Consultant, Appalachian District Health Department, Boone, North

Carolina, 28607 -- Summer, 1978

Request: To develop guidelines for the delivery of primary health care services by area health departments, and participate in departmental administrative activities.

Research Assistant, Department of Dental Ecology, School of Dentistry, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina -- July, 1976 to July, 1977.

Policy Analyst, Department of Health, Education and Welfare: Medical Services Administration, Division of Program Planning and Evaluation, Washington, District of Columbia -- Summer, 1975.

High School Biology Teacher, Anson County Board of Education, Wadesboro, North Carolina -- August, 1973 to June, 1974.

## **HONORS:**

Awarded "Glaucoma Educator of the Year" by the American Academy of Optometry, 1997.

Granted Fellowship in the American Academy of Optometry, 1984.

Appointed as a member of the Adjunct Faculty, Pennsylvania College of Optometry, 1988 through 2003; Pacific University College of Optometry 1993 through 2003; State University of New York College of Optometry, 1993 through 2003.

Awarded the William C. Ezell Award "For the Best Article Based on a Lecture given at the Southern Congress of Optometry", 1984.

Selected by the National Board of Examiners in Optometry as a consultant in constructing questions in ocular disease and ocular pharmacology for the National Board Examination, 1985.

Recipient of the Optometric Recognition Award in Continuing Education by the American Optometric Association, 1985.

Appointed as a Regional Consultant to the Council on Clinical Optometric Care of the American Optometric Association, 1986 through 1998.

Selected "Outstanding Young Men of America", U.S. Jaycees, 1983.

Appointed as a member of the Hospital and Nursing Home Practice Committee of the American Optometric Association, 1983 through 1993.

Air Force Commendation Medal Recipient for Meritorious Service, 1984.

Appointed as Captain, Biomedical Science Corps, United States Air Force, 1981 through 1984.

Elected into the Gold Key Optometric Service Honor Society, 1981.

Selected to serve as a member of the Student Optometric Service to Haiti (S.O.S.H.) Team, 1981.

Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities, Appalachian State University, Boone, North Carolina, 1973.

## **CONCURRENT EDUCATION TRAINING:**

### **Externship Training:**

Fourth Professional year, Pennsylvania College of Optometry, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1980 to 1981.

M.D.,

Private Practice of Steven Greenberg, M.D., Moshe Adler,  
and Bruce Pierson, O.D., Brookville General Hospital,  
Brookville, Pennsylvania.

Alaska Native Medical Center, Anchorage, Alaska, Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Public Health Service Hospital, Bethel, Alaska.

W.W. Hastings Indian Health Service Hospital, Tahlequah, Oklahoma, Lesley L. Walls, M.D. served as preceptor.

### **Internship Training:**

Second Professional Year, School of Public Health, University North Carolina, 1976.

Health Committee of the House of Representatives, North Carolina General Assembly, Raleigh, North Carolina. This Study was taken entirely on location at the State Legislature Building. While an intern, I sat with the Committee and participated in most of the affairs of the Committee.

**POST-GRADUATE PROFESSIONAL SHORT COURSE:**

Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Course in Ophthalmic Pathology for Ophthalmologists, Washington, District of Columbia, 1982.

**CONSULTATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL LECTURESHIPS:**

These lectures are all related to ocular pharmacology, ocular differential diagnosis, and medical management of eye diseases.

conferences                      Lectured at over 400 continuing medical education throughout the world.

Differential                      Cabarrus Family Medicine Residency; “Red Eye  
Management”, Northeast Medical Center, Concord,                      North  
Carolina, 1997.

of                      Ocular Pharmacology Consultant, Blue Cross and Blue Shield  
Committee, 1995-                      North Carolina, Pharmacy and Therapeutics  
2000.

**Professional Publications:**  
**(Co-Authored with**  
**Ron Melton, O.D., F.A.A.O.**  
1984.  
**Charlotte, N.C.**

“Pharmaceutical Agents Commonly Used  
To Treat Afflictions of the Eye and Adnexa”,  
Southern Journal of Optometry, June,

“Pharmaceutical Agents Commonly Used to  
Treat Ocular Inflammations of the Eye and  
Adnexa”, Southern Journal of Optometry,  
October, 1984.

“Pharmaceutical Agents Commonly Used to Treat Infections/Inflammations of the Eye”, Southern Journal of Optometry, October, 1984.

“How to Manage Viral Conjunctivitis”, Optometric Management, June, 1991.

“Antiviral Drugs and Pharmacology” and “Conjunctival and Corneal Foreign Body Removal”, Chapters in Clinical Optometric Pharmacology and Therapeutics, Editor: B.E. Onofrey, J.B. Lippincott Company, 1991.

“Medical Management of Anterior Uveitis” and “Grand Rounds Management of Corneal Abrasions”, Chapters in Optometry Clinics -Anterior Segment Disease Update, Editor: J.G. Classe’, Appleton and Lange, 1991.

Diagnosis

“Dry Eye Syndrome and the Optometrist:

and Treatment”, Publication from Roundtable Discussion, Allergan, 1991.

Private

“Use of Clinical Laboratory Testing in the

Practice of Optometry”, Chapter in Optometry Clinics - Clinical Laboratory Testing, Editor: J.G. Classe’, Appleton and Lange, 1992.

“The Practical Guide to Therapeutic Drugs”, Optometric Management, May, 1992.

Antibacterial

“A Review of Common Ophthalmic

and Corticosteroid - Antibacterial Combination Drugs”, Chapter in Optometry Clinics -

Ocular  
Classe,

Pharmacology Update, Editor: J.G.

Appleton and Lange, 1992.

Roundtable

“OD Dialogues: Ocular Surface Disease and Dry Eye Syndrome”, Publication from Discussion, Allergan, 1992.

“Pharmacology Questions”, Supplement to Optometric Management, January, 1993.

“Does This Patient Have Glaucoma? Factors to Consider in Diagnosis and Management”, Eye Quest Magazine, January/February, 1993.

1993.

“When White and Quiet Turns Red and Angry- How to Relieve Contact Lens - Induced Inflammation”, Review of Optometry, April,

“2nd Annual Practical Guide to Therapeutic Drugs”, Optometric Management, May, 1993.

“Understanding Blepharitis”, Optometry Today, June, 1993.

“Take the Worry Out of Managing Uveitis”, Optometric Management, June, 1993.

“Treatment of Blepharitis”, Optometry Today, July/August, 1993.

Trenches”,

“Pupillary Dilation: A View From the

Guest Editorial, Journal of the American Optometric Association, September, 1993.

Drugs”,

“3rd Annual Practical Guide to Therapeutic Optometric Management, May 1994.

“Put Patient’s Interests First When Diagnosing Disease”, Optometry Today, May 1994.

Optometry

“A practical Look at Clinical Dry Eye”,  
Today, May, 1994.

Drugs”,

“4th Annual Practical Guide to Therapeutic  
Optometric Management, May, 1995.

Quest

“Oral Medicines in Primary Eye Care”, Eye  
Magazine, July/August, 1995.

Treatment”,  
News, September, 1995.

“Fluoroquinolones: A First-Line  
Primary Care Optometry

Medications”,

“Understanding Today’s Glaucoma

of

Chapter in “Take charge of Glaucoma  
Management”, Supplement To Review  
Optometry, September, 1995.

“The Power of Prescribing”, Optometry Today -  
Eye Drug Update, October, 1995.

“Nonspecific Conjunctivitis”, Optometry Today,  
October, 1995.

“Open-Angle Glaucoma”, Optometry Today,  
October, 1995.

Drugs”,

“The 1996 Clinical Guide to Ophthalmic  
Review of Optometry, May, 1996.

Clinical Management of the Anterior Segment,  
Optometry Today, August, 1996.

Web”,

“Clinical Grand Rounds on the World Wide



Pacific University College of Optometry Center  
For Distributed Learning, and Optometry Today,  
August, 1996.

“Clinical Management of the Anterior Segment, Part  
II”, Optometry Today, September, 1996.

“New Alpha-2 Agonist Offers Another Medical  
Alternative to Treat Glaucoma”, Primary  
Optometry News, November, 1996.

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**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:**

American Optometric Association

American Academy of Optometry

North Carolina State Optometric Society

Life Member of Alumni Association, School of Public Health, University  
of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.