

VCU PAIN MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP

MEET THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Specialty: Pain Medicine

Clinical Interests: Neuromodulation



ANDREW W. CHAPMAN, MD

Dr. Chapman currently serves as the Pain Medicine Program Director and is an Assistant Clinical Professor in both the Departments of Anesthesiology and PM&R at Virginia Commonwealth University Health System. Dr. Chapman is the director for the Chronic Pain Division at VCU Health where his clinical interests focus on Neuromodulation. Dr. Chapman is experienced in all forms of spinal cord stimulation including DRG does a high volume of implant procedures annually. He is also experienced and skilled with Balloon Kyphoplasty, minimally invasive lumbar decompression (MILD), Basivertebral nerve ablation (Intrasept), and minimally invasive spinal fusion devices like Minuteman. Dr. Chapman has been published on topics including complications following cervical RFA as well as rational chronic opioid tapering. His research interests include application of neuromodulation for high risk patients. Dr. Chapman earned his medical degree at The University at Buffalo School of Medicine and completed his Anesthesia residency training at Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine and Health System after his internship at The Madigan Army Medical Center. He received undergraduate degrees in both Biology and European History from Washington and Lee University. Dr. Chapman served as an army flight surgeon for 4 years before residency with the 101st Airborne Division, including two combat tours in Afghanistan.

Pain Program Faculty

THE AWESOME PEOPLE BEHIND THE PROGRAM



ROBERT J TRAINER DO, MBA, FASAM, PAIN FELLOWSHIP SITE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL VIRGINIA VA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF ANESTHESIOLOGY

Medical School: New York College of Osteopathic Medicine

Residency: Stony Brook University, Anesthesiology

Fellowship: Fellowship BIDMC at Harvard, Pain Medicine

Clinical Interests: Neuromodulation, treatment strategies for coexisting addiction and pain



DAVID F. DRAKE, MD ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION MEDICAL DIRECTOR, INTERVENTIONAL PAIN CLINIC, CENTRAL VIRGINIA VA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Medical School: University of Nevada School of Medicine

Residency: Virginia Commonwealth University, PM&R

Fellowship: Virginia Commonwealth University, Pain Medicine

Clinical Interests: Integrative health and wellness/integrative pain medicine

Interesting Fact: Enjoys writing poetry and practicing Martial Arts



DENISE D. LESTER, MD, DIRECTOR, PERIPHERAL NERVE NEUROMODULATION, CENTRAL VIRGINIA VA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, ATTENDING PAIN PHYSICIAN, CENTRAL VIRGINIA VA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM VA MEDICAL CENTER, VICE CHAIRMAN IRB, CENTRAL VIRGINIA VA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Medical School: University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, New Jersey School of Medicine

Residency and Pain Training: Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Anesthesiology and Pain Training

Board Certified: Addiction Medicine

Clinical Interests: Peripheral Nerve Stimulation and research

Interesting Fact: Long Distance Runner and Fitness Instructor



MEENAKSHI BINDAL, MD, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION, CENTRAL VIRGINIA VA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Medical School: Drexel University College of Medicine

Residency: John Hopkins Hospital, PM&R

Fellowship: University of Virginia, Pain Medicine

Clinical Interests: Functional medicine, acupuncture, and non-pharmacologic pain management

Interesting Fact: I wanted to be a fashion designer



NICOLAS MAXYMIV, DO, MS ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF ANESTHESIOLOGY VCUHEALTH

Medical School: Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine

Residency: VCU Health Anesthesiology

Fellowship: VCU Health Pain Medicine

Clinical Interests: Vertebral augmentation, spinal tumor radiofrequency ablation, neuromodulation

Interesting Fact: Had twin girls in his first year of medical school



DANIEL TSUKANOV, DO
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF
PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND REHABILITATION
CENTRAL VIRGINIA VA HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Medical School: University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine
Residency: Nassau University Medical Center, PM&R
Fellowship: Montefiore Medical Center, Sports Medicine
Clinical Interests: Peripheral nerve stimulation, orthobiologics, ultrasound



JACK CRAVEN, MD, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR,
DEPARTMENT OF ANESTHESIOLOGY VCUHEALTH

Medical School: Virginia Commonwealth University
Residency: VCU Anesthesiology
Fellowship: Johns Hopkins University, Pain Medicine
Clinical Interests: Vertebral Augmentation, Neuromodulation, Peripheral Nerve Stimulation
Interesting Fact: Ran with the bulls in Pamplona (a long time ago)



MARY WELLS, PHD, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR,
DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND
REHABILITATION

Undergraduate: Virginia Commonwealth University, BS Psychology
Graduate: The George Washington University, PhD Clinical Psychology
Internship 1: VCU Counseling Service in Richmond, VA
Internship 2: Saint Elizabeth Hospital, Washington DC, Group Psychotherapy
Residency: Washington Pain and Rehabilitation Center in Washington, DC.
Clinical Interests: Pain psychology, hypnosis
