

AOA Names Mayo Clinic Academic Leader as New Editor in Chief

The American Osteopathic Association (AOA) is pleased to announce Robert Orenstein, DO, as its new editor in chief. Dr Orenstein, who also serves in a leadership role for the Mayo Clinic, began his position with the AOA in January 2014.

As editor in chief, Dr Orenstein will carry out the AOA's strategic agenda toward the advancement of osteopathic medical research as he directs the editorial content of *The Journal of the American Osteopathic Association (JAOA)* and chairs the *JAOA* Editorial Advisory Board. In these capacities he will provide critical leadership for the future of the *JAOA*, incorporating his experience at a world-renowned research institution and robust career as an infectious diseases investigator. With more than 50% of osteopathic physicians (ie, DOs) in active practice in one of the primary care areas of medicine, Dr Orenstein's role in advancing osteopathic medical research is key to ensuring DOs continue to meet the nation's rapidly growing health care needs by advancing their medical education, including through the study of clinical journals.

In commenting on his new role with the AOA, Dr Orenstein stated:

I am honored by the opportunity to lead the *JAOA* and provide readers with exceptional and relevant research by maintaining high standards and soliciting the strongest research manuscripts. My goal is to advance the scholarly mission of our profession by seeking out those who create or translate new knowledge as it relates to osteopathic medicine. By sharing my expertise in education, patient care, and clinical research, I hope to infuse new possibilities and innovation as the *JAOA* aims to provide scholarly information to both DOs and MDs.

A fellow of both the American College of Physicians and the Infectious Diseases Society of America, Dr Orenstein is board certified in internal medicine and infectious diseases. In addition to his

position with the AOA, he will continue to serve as an associate professor of medicine and chair of the Division of Infectious Diseases at the Mayo Clinic in Phoenix, Arizona.

Dr Orenstein's background in clinical research includes serving as a peer reviewer for numerous medical journals, co-editor of the textbook *Fundamentals of Global HIV Medicine*, section editor of the *Mayo Clinic Family Health Book*, and clinical editor of the Mayo Clinic's Ask Mayo Expert electronic knowledge tool. He also serves as a section editor for the *JAOA*'s evidence-based clinical reviews.

From 2002 to 2010, Dr Orenstein conducted clinical and epidemiologic research at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, in addition to his duties as a practicing physician and educator. Prior to that, he served as medical director of the Infectious Disease Clinic at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, a comprehensive care and research center. Dr Orenstein has participated in or been the principal investigator on numerous clinical trials on infectious diseases and HIV incorporating epidemiology, treatment, and prevention.

After receiving his undergraduate degree from Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut, Dr Orenstein earned his osteopathic medical degree from the Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine in Iowa. He completed his postdoctoral training at Botsford General Hospital (now Botsford Hospital) in Farmington Hills, Michigan, and the Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, Pennsylvania. He also completed an infectious diseases fellowship at Virginia Commonwealth University. (doi:10.7556/jaoa.2014.030)



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