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Dr. Jill Pitcher Named 2019 Outstanding Female Leader of the Year

[March 27, 2019 – Parker, CO] Jill Pitcher, DO, FACOFP, Associate Professor of Family Medicine at Rocky Vista University (RVU), was named the 2019 Outstanding Female Leader of the Year by the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP). She was presented the award on Thursday, March 21st at the Opening Session of the 56th Annual Convention and Scientific Seminars in Chicago, Illinois.



Jill Pitcher, DO

A certified physician in osteopathic family medicine, correctional medicine, and holistic medicine, Dr. Pitcher has over thirty years of broad clinical experience that includes wide spectrum family medicine, urgent care, and chronic pain management. She is a Founding Diplomat of the American Board of Holistic Medicine, and has served as a lead physician treating fibromyalgia and chronic fatigue and as a correctional facility medical director.

In addition to continuing practice experience precepting family medicine residents, Dr. Pitcher has merged her love of medicine and teaching as a faculty member in RVU's Department of Primary Care Medicine. For the past eight years, she has dedicated herself to teaching the next generation of osteopathic physicians. She believes in providing compassionate care to people from all walks of life, and that, with an excellent education, students will be able to do the same for their future patients.

"Everyone at RVU knows how hard Dr. Pitcher works for the academic programs at the University and for the continued success of our students," said Thomas N. Told, DO, FACOFP dist., Dean of RVUCOM and Vice President of Academic Affairs. "We are thrilled that those outside the RVU family recognize her skills and achievements."

The Outstanding Female Leader of the Year Award honors female physicians who serve as clinical role models, teachers, professional leaders and sources of inspiration for women and men who are in medical training. It is administered to qualifying physicians through the

Women's Health & Leadership Committee, which seeks to develop education and networking opportunities that promote women in leadership roles in the osteopathic profession. To qualify for the award, nominees must be in active practice for at least five years as well as be a current member of the ACOFP.

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About Rocky Vista University (RVU)

RVU is a health-sciences university based in Parker, Colorado and Ivins, Utah. RVU was founded in 2006 and opened its doors in August of 2008, enrolling students in its four-year program of study leading to the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) degree in the University's College of Osteopathic Medicine (RVUCOM). The Ivins Campus matriculated its first class in 2017. RVU is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), a commission of the North Central Association. RVUCOM is accredited by the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA). RVU has also added a Master of Science in Biomedical Sciences (MSBS) degree program and a Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) to its Colorado location. Rocky Vista University provides quality healthcare education while inspiring students to serve with compassion, integrity and excellence. For more information, visit www.rvu.edu.

About the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP)

Founded in 1950, ACOFP represents and supports a community of more than 20,000 practicing and in-training osteopathic family physicians. ACOFP's mission is to promote excellence in osteopathic family medicine through quality education, visionary leadership and responsible advocacy. ACOFP empowers its members with education and resources that allow them to adapt to new models of care and quickly changing government policy. For more information, visit www.acofp.org.