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Summary of Qualifications

2024 - present Faculty, St. Luke's Pain Management Fellowship
2024 - present Faculty, St. Luke's Addiction Fellowship
2024 - present Associate Medical Director Addiction Services, St. Luke's University Hospital Network

2024 - present Alternate Regional Director*
2023 - 2025 President, Berks County Medical Society
2021 - 2023 President, Pennsylvania Society of Addiction Medicine (PSAM)
2021 - 2023 President Elect, Berks County Medical Society
2018- present Faculty Appointment- Assistant Professor- Dept of Family, Community, and Preventative Medicine, Drexel University College of Medicine

2018 - 2020 Public Policy Chair, Pennsylvania Society of Addiction Medicine (PSAM)
2017 - 2020 Easy Does It, Board of Directors Member, Residential Treatment Facility
2016 - present Faculty, Caron Foundation Addiction Medicine Fellowship Program
2014 - 2024 Chief, Section of Addiction Medicine
Department of Family & Community Medicine, Tower Health System
1999 - 2021 Medical Director, New Directions Methadone Treatment Services
West Reading, Pa.
1985 - 2016 Laureldale Family Medical Center (Family Physician and Addictionist)
Laureldale, Pa
1985 - 2012 Medical Director, Albright College, Reading, Pa
1987 - 2015 Health officer Township of Laureldale, Laureldale, Pa.
1989 - 2020 Medical Director, Tower Health Detox & Rehab Center West Reading, Pa.
1992 - 2001 Medical Director, Berks Counseling Center, Reading, Pa.
1994 - 2002 Associate Medical Director, Caron Foundation, Wernersville, Pa

Education

1981 - 1985 Reading Hospital and Medical Center, West Reading, Pa.
Family Medicine Internship and Residency

1978 - 1981 University Central of Puerto Rico School of Medicine, Cayey, PR
Doctor of Medicine

1974 - 1978 Albright College, Reading, Pa.
Bachelor of Science, Major in Psychology-Biology

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Professional Memberships

1989 - present American Society of Addiction Medicine
1985 - present Pennsylvania Medical Society
1985 - present Berks County Medical Society
1981 - 2022 American Academy of Family Physicians

Professional experience

2021 - 2023 Recipient of PAC-MAT Grant (\$235,000) from the state of Pennsylvania. Expanding the Hub & Spoke model for the treatment of opioid use disorder.

2020 - present Patient Advocacy Committee, Pa. Dept. of Health. Charged with ensuring patient access to care for substance use disorder.

2020 - 2021 Recipient of PAC-MAT Grant (\$500,000) from the state of Pennsylvania. Establishing a Hub & Spoke model for the treatment of opioid use disorder.

2019 - present Joint State Government Advisory Commission's Advisory Committee on Emergency Room Treatment & Behavioral Health

2018 - present Member of Berks SOS Coalition. Mission to reduce the stigma of Addiction and improve the awareness and education of Addiction.

2017 - 2018 Member Senate Subcommittee concerning SB-472 Review of the Effectiveness of Drug Treatment Facilities, Senator Judy Schwank

2014 - present Member of MDAIR Board (Medication Death and Incident Review Board). Appointment by the Governor of Pa.

2013 - 2015 Principal Investigator. Clinical research trial for Shionogi, Inc/Medpace, Inc. Affiliation and collaboration with Martin Cheatle Ph.D., RPS Behavioral Medicine Center

Professional Services

2023 - present	Speaker for Braeburn. Mentoring program to teach physicians to appropriately use long-acting injectable Buprenorphine (Brixadi) for opioid addiction.
2007 - 2014	Speaker for Pfizer Labs. Responsible for teaching physicians how and why to use Chantix for tobacco addiction.
2005 - present	Speaker for Indivior. Mentoring program to teach physicians to appropriately use long-acting injectable Buprenorphine (Sublocade) for opioid addiction.
2005 - 2007	Speaker for Forrest Pharmaceuticals. Responsible for teaching physicians about using Campral for alcohol dependence.

Board Certifications/Licenses

2021	Fellow of the Physicians College of Philadelphia (time unlimited)
2015	Fellow of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (time unlimited)
2009	Diplomate of the American Board of Addiction Medicine (time unlimited)
1989	Board Certified American Society of Addiction Medicine (time unlimited)
1987	Fellow American Board of Family Medicine (Board Certified 1987-2022, Board eligible 2022-present)
1984	Pennsylvania State Medical License
1984	New York State Medical License (inactive)

Awards

2025	Pennsylvania Society of Addiction Medicine Lifetime Achievement Award
2017	Berks County Medical Society Community Service Award (Addiction)
2015	Counsel on Chemical Abuse Professional Service Award (Addiction)
2012	Jacob Albright Award (Lifetime Service)
2006	William J. Schofield III Award (Addiction)
1997	Berks County Medical Society Community Service Award (Addiction)
1997	Jasper G. Chen See Medical Professional Award (Addiction)

Publications/Scholarly Activity

National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) Flagship Meeting. The National Conference on Correctional Health Care November 2025 Keynote Speaker, “Utilization of Long-Acting Injectable Buprenorphine in Carceral Settings.”

Becker’s Hospital Review 15th Annual Meeting, May 2025 Speaker. “Navigating the Opioid Crisis: Expert Insights and Evolving Strategies.”

“Implementation of Telemedicine Delivery of Medications for Opioid Use Disorder in Pennsylvania Treatment Programs During COVID-19.” Journal of Addiction Medicine. October 2022. Melissa Poulsen, PhD. MPH, William Santoro, MD, Rosanne Scotti, JD, Catherine Henderson, LCSW, Meaghan Ruddy, PhD., and Angela Colistra, PhD, LPC, CAADC, CCS.

“Extended-release Buprenorphine: Pearls, Protocols and Possibilities from 3000 Injections.” American Society of Addiction Medicine National Conference Lecture. William Santoro MD, Lee Radosh MD, Sahithi Gosala, MD. Presented April 2022.

“Impact of COVID-19 on OUD management and MOUD access in the U.S.” American Society of Addiction Medicine National Conference Scientific Poster. Maher Abdel-Sattar Pharm D., Seth Cook Pharm D., Ann Wheeler Pharm D., William Mullen PA-C, Brett Malese PhD., Christian Heldbrener PhD., William Santoro MD. Presented April 2021

“Buprenorphine-XR: Case Series of 324 Patients” American Society for Addiction Medicine National Conference 2021 Scientific Poster. William Santoro MD, Lee Radosh MD, Sahithi Gosala MD, Tori Snyder MD. Presented April 2021

“Daily relaxation modifies serum and salivary immunoglobulins and psychophysiological severity.” Marcia Green, PhD., Ronald Green, PhD., William Santoro, MD. Journal of Biofeedback and Self Regulation, volume 13, #3, 1988.

Additional Professional Activities

2020 – Present	Volunteer physician to Street Medicine
2018	Worked with Steve Sietchik, grant recipient, to develop utilization of Long acting injectable buprenorphine into the federal prison system.
1995 – 2000	Founder and Medical Director of the volunteer medical staff at the Reading Berks Emergency Shelter for the homeless.
2007 – 2009	Adjunct Professor Alvernia University teaching “Drugs of Abuse.”
2008	Worked with President Judge of the Berks County Court of Common Pleas and Berks County Jail to allow inmates already on buprenorphine to remain in treatment.
2006	Worked with Judge Peter Schmehl, jail and New Directions accomplishments included, allowing use of methadone in the prison population.
2001	Physician to the United States Olympic Training Center, Lake Placid NY.

Professional statement

I had been the Section Chief of Addiction Medicine at Tower Health System from its inception in 2014 until October 2024. I trained medical students, interns, residents and fellows through the Tower Health System’s affiliate Drexel University College of Medicine, and The Caron Foundation Addiction Fellowship program. I continue to train fellows from The Caron Foundation Addiction Fellowship program in collaboration with the St. Luke’s Fellowship program where I serve as Medical Director Addiction Services.

Even with the multiple administrative and governmental roles, I still actively see patients in the office and hospital settings. I have also been an invited speaker at numerous conferences targeted to both professionals in the field as well as the public on many aspects of addiction.

Community Activities

Past board member of the Berks County Easter Seals Society.
Founder/race director of “To Reading and Back 10K” charity run Easter Seals Society.
Founder/race director of “Alligator Run 10K” charity run Crime Alert of Berks County.
Speaker with John Bingham, “First response, what to do with the runner down.”
Assistant coach to the Special Olympics track team, Berks County.
Assistant coach to the Special Olympics softball team, Berks County.
Regional board member of M&T Bank 2000 to 2004.

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Interests

I enjoy long-distance running. I completed 57 marathons from 1993 to 2019. Photography and freelance writing are also interests.

Personal life

My wife and I have called Reading Pennsylvania home since 1980. We have been married since 1982.

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* What Is an Alternate Regional Director?

- The **Alternate Regional Director (ARD)** is essentially the **backup or second-in-command** to the **Regional Director** for a particular ASAM region. Pennsylvania is part of **Region III**, which also includes Delaware, Maryland, Washington, D.C., Virginia, and West Virginia.
- The ARD steps in to **represent the region** at national ASAM meetings if the Regional Director can't attend and may also assist with regional initiatives.

Responsibilities

- **Representation:** You serve as a liaison between ASAM's national leadership and local chapters (like the Pennsylvania Society of Addiction Medicine — PSAM).
- **Advocacy:** You may help **advocate for policy changes** at both the state and federal level, especially around addiction treatment, insurance parity, and harm reduction strategies.
- **Communication:** You support the flow of communication between the national ASAM organization and individual members in your region.
- **Support Regional Collaboration:** Helping coordinate educational events, regional meetings, or collaborative projects across the states in your region.

Term Length and Voting

- Terms usually last **2 years**.
- ARDs are **elected positions**, chosen by ASAM members from within the region.
- While they don't vote on the Board of Directors unless the Regional Director is absent, they are still involved in **board-level discussions** and policy input.

Qualifications

- Usually, an **active ASAM member** with a demonstrated commitment to the field.
- Background in addiction medicine and involvement in local or national initiatives helps a lot.
- Leadership experience in a state chapter (like PSAM) is often a steppingstone.