



Spring 2021

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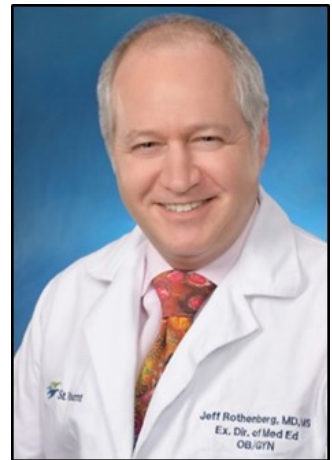
From the President

Colleagues,

It is with excitement that we welcome our newest students to the Ascension St Vincent College of Health Professions! This year welcome our newest program, cardiac sonography, is added to our robust training programs in radiography, diagnostic ultrasound and certified sterile processing. Our college is indeed growing!

The pandemic, while not yet fully behind us, reminded us all about the importance that we, as healthcare providers, have to keep society healthy. For our newest students, you are embarking on a career path that will be as rewarding as it is interesting--and for our returning students, we thank you for showing up and continuing even in the midst of a global pandemic.

While the College continues to grow it will still maintain the personal touch that is so essential to training the next generation of health care professionals. I wish you all health and success this year. May God's countenance shine upon you and your families.



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College News: Congratulations Class of 2021!

On May 21st, the St. Vincent College of Health Professions celebrated the graduation of 30 students. 2021 marks a significant milestone in the college's development since for the first time students from the Diagnostic Medical Sonography and the Central Sterile Processing programs joined graduates from the Radiography program. Although we could not hold our graduation ceremony in person due to the ongoing COVID-19 outbreak, it's great we were able to celebrate the accomplishments of our graduates virtually. Check out the ceremony at <https://youtu.be/IGu4FXPxMUM>. And best wishes to the Class of 2021!

Central Sterile Processing Program

Cameron Sanders*
 Camesha Mighty* ***
 Kirt Jones*
 Paris Walker*
 Monneka Draughon
 Aviona Shephard**
 Paris Kemp*



Sonography Program

Olivia Ayer*
 Laurel Corbett
 Olivia Daugherty* ***
 Lindsay Eischen*
 Javon Gates
 Kristen Leusch
 Reagan Mosley
 Cody Muehlhausen

Radiography Program

Grace Bennett*
 Bethany Britton*
 Amy Chapin-Frost
 Danielle Harris*
 Shyli Hickerson*
 Brian Kern
 Erin Koehler
 Matt Lefort ***



Madison Miller
 Michelle Neidigh*
 Lauren Pfister
 John Siener*
 Adeline Smith*
 Claire Tollison
 Terra Weber*

* Employed at Ascension St. Vincent

** Employed at Ascension Providence Hospital in Novi, MI

*** Academic Excellence Award Recipient

Welcome Dr. Ghoneim!

Dr. Islam Ghoneim, a world-renowned renal/pancreas transplant surgeon and urologist, has been practicing with Ascension St. Vincent since 2017. Dr. Ghoneim graduated from Kasr Al-Ainy Medical School, Cairo University in Egypt with a Doctorate in Urology and completed his residency and fellowships in urology in Cairo, Egypt. He also completed a Master of Science in Health Informatics from Indiana University Purdue University in 2017.

Dr. Ghoneim is an Adjunct Professor with the St. Vincent College of Health Professions and a Clinical Assistant Professor with the Marian University College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Ghoneim is also a Clinical Assistant Professor with the Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine of Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio and he continues to lecture at the Department of Urology, Cairo University.



Islam Ghoneim, MS, MD

It is estimated 37 million people in the United States have chronic kidney disease. While dialysis can sustain life, the only definitive cure for kidney failure is a renal transplant. The Ascension St. Vincent transplant program exists to meet that need. Our program is truly team based. It is composed of highly experienced surgeons, transplant nephrologists, nurse practitioners, coordinators, social workers, medical imaging specialists and other expert care providers who deliver state of the art services to patients and their families. The renal transplant program is the highest-rated transplant program in the state in quality outcomes of 1-year and 3-year grafts and patient survival. The program has doubled its volume in the past 3 years and recently gained accreditation as a pediatric transplant program. The renal transplant program is a gift of life for those patients and is emblematic of our mission to care for the most poor and vulnerable.

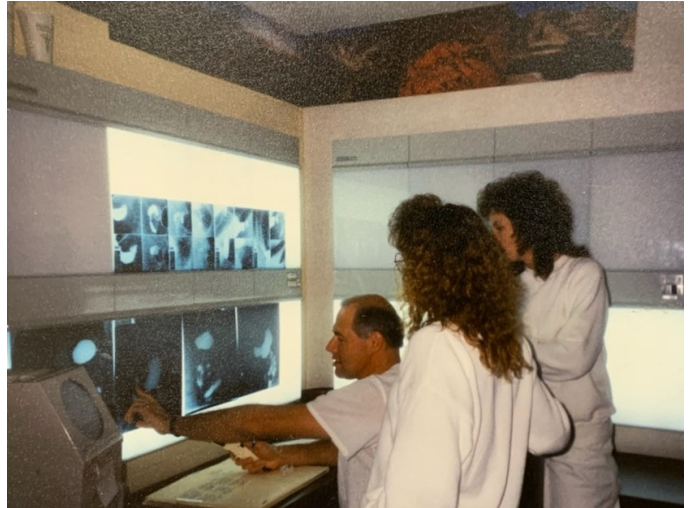
Did You Know?

The first truly successful kidney transplant between living patients occurred in December 1954 in Boston, MA by Dr. Joseph Murray. The patient, Richard Herrick, received his kidney from his identical twin brother Ronald. Richard lived for 8 years following his surgery. Dr. Murray received a Nobel Prize in Medicine in 1990 for his pioneering work.

Radiography Program News



TRADITION! If there's one word to describe the history of the Radiography Program, it is TRADITION. The program started in 1966 at St. Joseph Hospital — now Ascension St. Vincent Kokomo — in Kokomo, IN. The program remained solely at St. Joseph until 2003 when it was expanded to Ascension St. Vincent Indianapolis and further expanded to Ascension St. Vincent Anderson in 2007. From 1966 until the last cohort graduated from the St. Joseph School



St. Joseph School of Radiography
Circa 1990

of Radiography in 2003, the program graduated 178 students. While we celebrate how far the Radiography Program has come, let's not forget that the program has a long and storied history in Kokomo. We're so proud to carry on that TRADITION today!

Inclusivity and Diversity are demonstrations of Ascension's Mission, Values and commitment to social justice. Within Ascension, inclusion shows up in how we value differences, welcome individuals to serve with us, and ensure that each associate has the opportunity to attain their full potential and flourish in dignity as human persons. This requires a mutually safe space for conversation focused on changing hearts and minds. Ascension's ABIDE (Appreciation - Belongingness - Inclusivity - Diversity - Equity) framework identifies ways of serving together as a virtuous community so that we can eliminate what contributes to disparities and inequities, including systemic racism. Check out the ABIDE site on any Ascension device at <https://sites.google.com/ascension.org/abide>.



Diagnostic Medical Sonography News



The Diagnostic Medical Sonography (DMS) program has recently achieved the ultimate trifecta. This means that the program has received accreditation from the Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools (ABHES), accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) and has been authorized to award the Associate of Applied Science degree from the Indiana Commission. This is an amazing accomplishment that allows students to graduate from a fully accredited program and sit for their American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography specialty board examinations prior to graduating from the program.



As the program is preparing to graduate its first cohort at the end of May, they are also reflecting on how far the program has come in the last two years. Since the first year of applicants in 2019, the program has increased its number of applicants by 23%. Additionally, in 2021, the program had applicants from five different states! That is exciting because it means the program is being recognized in more states than just Indiana. The program anticipates for the number of applicants to grow as it receives more recognition.

Did you know that employment of diagnostic medical sonographers is projected to grow 17% by 2029, which is much faster than the average for all occupations? Diagnostic imaging personnel who are certified are expected to have the best job opportunities. Sonographers that are certified in more than one specialty are expected to find even greater job opportunities. The Ascension St. Vincent DMS program prepares their students to sit for three different sonography specialty board examinations; abdomen, OBGYN, and vascular technology. This makes the students highly marketable!



Cardiac Sonography Program News



The Cardiac Sonography program is beginning their highly anticipated first cohort in June of 2021! As with any new program, we were anxious about the number of applicants for the Summer 2021 enrollment. It turns out our anxiety was unfounded. We're pleased to report the program has 22 applicants for the 4 student positions. We're excited about the first cohort of 4 excellent applicants. The faculty and students are anxiously awaiting the beginning of the program in June and graduation of the first class 18 months later.

The Cardiac Sonography has been approved by the state of Indiana to award the Associates of Applied Science degree. The program has also been recognized by ABHES (Accrediting Bureau of Health Education Schools) for new program approval. The program will await a site visit from ABHES in the Fall of 2021 or Spring of 2022.

Associate's



Degree

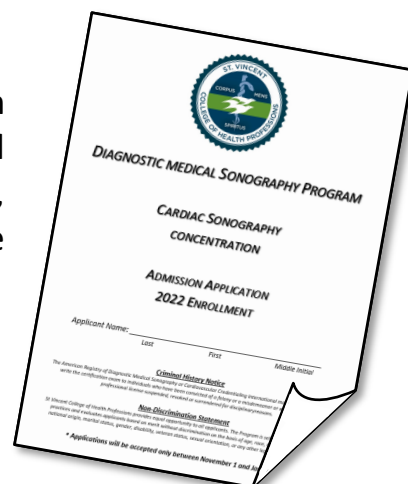


CAAHEP (Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs) is the sanctioning body that does accreditation for the program. The process for CAAHEP accreditation will begin in earnest once students begin in June. Of course our goal is achieving full accreditation by the time the first cohort graduates in December of 2022 or sooner.

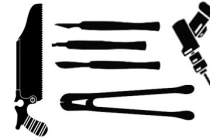
Applications for the second cohort of students will open in November and will be selected in early 2022. The second cohort of students will begin in June of 2022. We, as a program, look forward to the first successful class and growing the Cardiac Sonography program in the coming years.

Did You Know?

The first cardiac sonogram was performed by Dr. Inge Elder in 1953. For his pioneering work in the field, Dr. Elder is known as the "father of echocardiography."



Central Sterile Processing Program News



Every outstanding surgery department has an excellent group of sterile processing technicians who ensure safe surgical care. The CSP program is proud to announce the completion of its second successful cohort. Each student (Monneka Draughon, Aviona Shephard and Paris Kemp) has successfully passed the final exam and is prepared to serve with excellence.

Applications are now being accepted for the fall training session, deadline for submission is Friday, June 11th. Scholarships are being awarded to students who successfully follow and complete the application process. Future students can visit the St. Vincent College of Health Professions website: www.stvincent.org/chp to learn more or contact the CSP training program Administrator, Brandon Edwards 317 338-3873 or email us at csp.program@ascension.org.

Student Spotlight **Aviona Shephard**



Hello! My name is Aviona Shephard and I am a student in the Central Sterile Processing program. I graduated from Soar Academic Institute in Detroit, Michigan. I always thought I would go to college. However, the pandemic made it hard for me to make a decision for what I wanted to do and where I wanted to go.

I heard about the CSP program from my family in Indianapolis, IN. I am the first one in my class to pass the national certification through IAHCSMM to become a Certified Registered Central Service Technician (CRCST). I have also accepted a position at Ascension Providence Hospital in Novi, Michigan.



Save the Dates!

- **June 1:** New Sonography and Cardiac Sonography students start
- **August 2:** New Radiography and Central Sterile Processing students start

Meet the Team

The St. Vincent College of Health Professions is blessed to have many gifted faculty and leaders. Thank you for your contributions to healthcare education and making the St. Vincent College of Health Professions outstanding!



Jeffrey Rothenberg, MS, MD
College President /
Chief Medical Officer



Mark Adkins, MEd, RT (R)
Dean of Accreditation & Compliance /
Radiography Program Director



Monique J. Jelks, MSOL, BA, CRCST
Co-Program Director
Central Sterile Processing Program



Ashlie Munchel, BS RT(R), RDMS, RVT
Program Director
Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program



Summer Cox, BS, RT (R) (CT)
Clinical Coordinator, St. Vincent Anderson
Radiography Program



Rebecca Edwards, AS, RDMS (AB)(OB/Gyn)(BR)
Clinical Coordinator/OB Coordinator
Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program



Kevin Godshall, BS, RT (R)
Clinical Coordinator, St. Vincent Kokomo
Radiography Program



Sarah Maloy, MS, RT(R)(S)(CT), RDMS, RVT
Vascular Clinical Coordinator
Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program



Brock Monroe, ACS, RCS, RVS, CCT
Clinical Coordinator/Co-Program Manager
Cardiac Sonography Program



Arnisha Sanders, AAS, CRCST
Clinical Preceptor
Central Sterile Processing Program



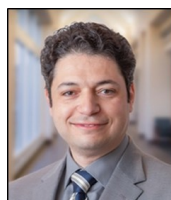
David Sidor, MEd, RT (R)
Clinical Coordinator, St. Vincent Indianapolis
Radiography Program



Hiwatha Walker, CSPDT
Clinical Preceptor
Central Sterile Processing Program



Dawn Zimmer, MD
Medical Director
Diagnostic Medical Sonography Program



Islam Ghoneim, MD
St. Vincent Renal Transplant Program
Adjunct Professor

Did You Know?

The St. Vincent College of Health Professions is approved as a higher learning institution by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education.

In the "eyes" of the state, St. Vincent College has the same recognition as Ivy Tech, IUPUI, and other such colleges in Indiana.

Puzzle This!

Unscramble the words below and use the circled letters to complete the final phrase. Good luck!

- nevi (carries blood to the heart)
- ardatiino (what makes an x-ray)
- gurseyr (operation)
- calicevl (collar bone)
- ilrev (largest organ)
- tyarer (carries blood away from the heart)
- eigrtcria (old age)
- ermfu (leg bone)
- ntiusretm (metal device used in surgery)
- eantpit (person seeking treatment)
- ravcslau (system that contains vessels and blood)
- nroags (found inside the body)
- tiesler (free of all germs)
- sophialt (where you go for medical care)
- eabbsi (what you see on a twin ultrasound)
- enbso (what you see on an x-ray)

Now unscramble the letters within the circles to fill in the blanks below!

Clue: *Alma Mater*

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Our Mission

Our Mission is to make a positive difference in the lives the people we serve, our Ascension St. Vincent ministries and their respective communities by delivering high-quality education and training in allied health professions. We exist to safeguard our patients and the communities we serve by graduating individuals who exhibit caring, compassionate and highly competent patient care. This is accomplished through a commitment of excellence from our faculty and staff, Advisory Board, and our affiliated Ascension St. Vincent institutions. Our paradigms are open to all aspects of education that do not violate the Mission or Core Values of Ascension St. Vincent and our affiliated institutions.

Our Logo

The Ascension St. Vincent College of Health Professions logo is a symbol that signifies our unique position in Ascension St. Vincent. The Ascension trinity symbol anchoring the center connects us with Ascension St. Vincent as a faith-based healthcare ministry. Our logo is a fitting reminder of our purpose, our connection to our Ascension St. Vincent ministries, and our unique standing as the only healthcare-sponsored academic institution in Indiana approved to award academic degrees.





*Let us do our duty well;
Let us go straight to God;
Let us work to become humble, patient
and very charitable.*

St. Vincent de Paul

