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## **Nancy L. Parsley, DPM, appointed New Dean of the Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine – First Female Dean of Scholl College**



Nancy Parsley, DPM

NORTH CHICAGO, IL – K. Michael Welch, MB, ChB, FRCP, President and CEO of Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, has announced the appointment of Nancy L. Parsley, DPM, as the new Dean of the Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine, effective in 2010.

Dr. Parsley, a 1993 cum laude graduate of Scholl College, is the first female dean of Scholl College.

Dr. Parsley succeeds Terence B. Albright, DPM, who is retiring as Dean of Scholl College. Dr. Albright served with outstanding distinction as the former President of Scholl College, appointed in 1997, who initiated its merger with Rosalind Franklin University in 2002.

Founded in 1912, Scholl College is recognized as a national leader in podiatric clinical education and podiatric research. Currently, there are nearly 400 Scholl College students and more than 4,800 graduates.

Approximately one-third of all American podiatrists were trained at Scholl College.

“Dr. Parsley will be an excellent leader for both Scholl College and the Rosalind Franklin University community demonstrated by her commitment to interprofessional education,” said Dr. Welch.

“She is most highly regarded for her national experience with the American Podiatric Medical Association, her major contribution to Scholl College, her strength of character and integrity and her remarkable abilities to interact with faculty, students, alumni and colleagues across the United States.”

Dr. Parsley has served as Associate Dean of Academic Affairs and Assistant Professor of Surgery at Scholl College since July of 2007 in which she promoted teamwork between and among departments in all aspects of academic and clinical functions. She also shared in the responsibility to encourage and support research creativity and productivity.

In cooperation with department chairs, Dr. Parsley has been responsible for the recruitment, management, and retention of Scholl College faculty. She has also implemented the directions established by the College’s strategic plan.

“It’s truly an honor to be named Dean of Scholl College, and I see a future for our institution filled with promises and possibilities,” said Dr. Parsley. “We will continue to expand and enhance Scholl College research efforts to advance the foot and ankle health of our nation.”

From 2001 until 2007, Dr. Parsley was the Director of Health Policy and Practice at the American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA) in Bethesda, Maryland. She managed health care policy issues for the association’s 11,000 podiatric professionals, and was responsible for private insurance and hospital issues.

Prior to her service to the APMA, Dr. Parsley was in private practice in the Bethesda area. In addition, she served as a congressional fellow on the Health Subcommittee of the Ways and Means Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Dr. Parsley’s honors include one of the top 100 most influential podiatrists in 2007, Scholl College Alumnus of the Year and Presidential Honor in 2003 and Northern Virginia Podiatric Residency Program Alumnus of the Year, 1998-99. While she was a student at Scholl College, she received a meritorious service award in her graduating class and outstanding service award from the American Podiatric Medical Students’ Association, after serving as its National President.

Following graduation from Scholl College, Dr. Parsley completed her podiatric surgical residency at Northern Virginia Podiatric Surgical Residency from 1993-96.

Dr. Parsley is a member of the Illinois Podiatric Medical Association and the American Podiatric Medical Association.

***About Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science***

*Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science is a national leader in interprofessional medical and healthcare education, comprising the Chicago Medical School, College of Health Professions, Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine and School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.*

*There are more than 16,000 RFUMS dereed graduates in the United States and worldwide.*