

Obstetrics, Gynecology & Women's Health @ NJMS

"OUR INCLUSIVENESS IS INTENTIONAL BECAUSE EXCELLENCE REQUIRES A DIVERSE COMMUNITY..."

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Lisa Pompeo, MD

Associate Professor



My choosing NJMS was a mutual decision between myself and the institution as I came to NJMS in the NRMP Residency Match. I was drawn to NJMS by the strength of the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Women's Health. The department's and institution's inclusive atmosphere and commitment to diversity, as well as, its commitment to caring for medically underserved populations is what keeps me here. As an openly lesbian woman who has been so since before attending medical school - a millennium ago, NJMS has been a place to cultivate my career, be out and proud and model that for students and residents.

Theodore Barrett, MD

Associate Professor



I choose NJMS and NJMS chose me. I was celebrated as 'Resident of the Year' in 1996 and sought to stay on as a faculty member because of the nurturing environment here, New Jersey Medical School. My department continues to have, a strong academic tradition and one of the more diverse faculties outside of the traditionally black colleges. I believed then, as I do now, that NJMS is an exception. My decision to seek a faculty position was predicated on the hope that I, as a member of one of those under-represented groups, would receive support and guidance through the different stages of my professional career as a physician, educator, and researcher.

Damali Campbell, MD

Assistant Professor



I greatly enjoy caring for patients, but I have found that I desire more. I chose NJMS because I was looking for an urban environment where I could not only practice the science and art of medicine but share it with others with similar ideals as mine. My journey to becoming the first medical professional in my family was filled with supporters, cheerleaders, and advocates. Many experiences I've had along the way were shaped by being a woman of color. At NJMS I have found many mentors, colleagues, administrators, staff and students who share the passion of reaching out to help another. I see myself in them and they see themselves in me, all human, trying to live our best lives.

Robin Christian, MD

PGY1 Resident



I am Robin Christian, an OB/GYN resident at NJMS. I identify as a gay transgender man, meaning I was assigned female at birth and have undergone a gender transition to live as a man. Socially I am part of the gay community. I feel very welcomed and supported at NJMS. I have been impressed by our department's commitment to working with transgender patients and learning about the challenges we face. I chose NJMS because of their dedication to working with underserved and marginalized communities, and I am grateful for the opportunities to be an advocate and educator through my work here.

About Rutgers New Jersey Medical School

Rutgers New Jersey Medical School (NJMS) is part of Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences, one of the country's largest academic health centers. NJMS is dedicated to excellence in education, research, clinical care, and community outreach. Some pertinent facts:

- NJMS has 20 academic departments and many world-renowned scientists and doctors.
- In 2015, NJMS was named #1 in the state for NIH funding.
- NJMS is located in Newark, NJ, where African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, and Asian/Pacific Islanders comprise more than 90 percent of the city's population and face many socioeconomic, educational, and health challenges.
- Underrepresented minorities made up 23 percent of the medical school's enrollment in 2017-2018.
- NJMS ranks in the 80th percentile for underrepresented minority graduates and 85th percentile for minority faculty, according to the 2014 AAMC Missions Management Tool.