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**Shawna R. Duncan, DO, FACOP  
Awarded 2013 "COMLEX-USA Examination Item Writer of the Year" by the  
National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners**

The National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME) recently announced seven, 2013 "COMLEX-USA Examination Item Writer of the Year" award winners among whom is Dr. Shawna Duncan of Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences College of Osteopathic Medicine, in Tulsa, OK, who is being recognized for her contributions to the COMLEX-USA examination series Health Promotion and Disease Prevention/Health Care Delivery Issues.



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The NBOME undertook an objective evaluation of more than 300 item writers who contributed to COMLEX-USA Osteopathic Health Promotion & Disease Prevention/Health Care Delivery Issues. The Board concluded that Dr. Duncan's test items for COMLEX-USA were exceptional.

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Dr. Duncan received her DO degree from Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine in Tulsa, OK. She is board certified with the American Osteopathic Board of Pediatrics and a Fellow of the American College of Osteopathic Pediatricians.

Four other "COMLEX-USA Item Writer of the Year" awards were presented to: Jonathan K. Kalmey, PhD, of Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine; Jeff Rabrich, DO, of St. Luke's - Roosevelt Hospital Center in New York; Brett Sheridan Stecker, DO, of Tristan Medical in MA; Michael Terzella, DO, of New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, New York Institute of Technology; and, a "COMAT Item Writer of the Year" award was presented to Joel Dickerman, DO, of Saint Mary Corwin Hospital in Pueblo, CO. D. Thomas Dayberry, DO, PhD, of University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth was awarded "COMLEX-USA Case Author of the Year Level 2-Performance Evaluation."

The NBOME is the leading assessment organization for the osteopathic medical profession. Its mission is to protect the public by providing the means to assess competencies for osteopathic medicine and related health care professions. The COMLEX-USA examination series provides the pathway to licensure for osteopathic physicians in the United States.

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