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**Michael Terzella, DO
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. Michael Terzella, Assistant Professor in the Department of Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine at New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, New York Institute of Technology, who is being recognized for his contributions to the COMLEX-USA examination series Osteopathic Principals and Practices.



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The NBOME undertook an objective evaluation of more than 300 item writers who contributed to COMLEX-USA Osteopathic Principals and Practices. The Board concluded that Dr. Terzella's test items for COMLEX-USA were exceptional.

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Dr. Terzella received his DO degree from New York College of Osteopathic Medicine in Old Westbury, NY. He completed his residency in Family Practice and Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment and an internship in traditional osteopathic medicine at Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center West Islip, NY.

Four other "COMLEX-USA Item Writer of the Year" awards were presented to: Shawna R. Duncan, DO, of Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences; 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; 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 the 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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