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# White Coat Convocation Program

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## White Coat Convocation

The White Coat Convocation is a symbolic rite of passage for students of the healing arts. For the physician assistant student, it signifies a professional relationship with other colleagues who provide health-care services. This ceremony reaffirms the medical community's support of the educational process that prepares future health providers for practice. On this day, students pledge their commitment to the physician assistant profession and the health of the patients they serve. Contributing to the care and healing of others is a privilege and a responsibility. The White Coat worn by each physician assistant student is more than a familiar lab coat: it is a cloak of caring, compassion, and service.

## Physician Assistant Oath of Commitment

As I embark upon a course of study in the physician assistant profession, I will

- enter into a relationship of mutual respect with my teachers and my colleagues to enhance the learning environment and gain the knowledge, skills, and attitudes of a good physician assistant.
- accept responsibility only for those matters for which I am competent, maintain the trust expected of a physician assistant, and never take advantage of the patient-provider relationship.
- respect the patient's right to privacy.
- value the knowledge of the physician assistants who have preceded me and endeavor to contribute to the tradition of the physician assistant profession.
- recognize my weaknesses and strengths and strive to develop those qualities that will earn the respect of my patients, my colleagues, my family, and myself.
- commit myself to continue this learning throughout my professional life.

## Program

### Introduction

**Cathleen A. Murphy, D.C.**  
Associate Dean, Health Sciences Programs  
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### Invocation

**Rev. John J. Holliday, C.M.**  
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### Welcome

**Louise Lee, Ed.D., M.H.A., PA-C**  
Program Director and Associate Professor/Industry Professional  
Department of Clinical Health Professions  
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### Keynote Speaker

**Niels N. Schmidt, R.P.A. '98MBA**  
Retired Physician Assistant  
Former Program Director, Physician Assistant Program  
St. John's University

### Presentation of White Coats

**Louise Lee, Ed.D., M.H.A., PA-C**  
Program Director and Associate Professor/Industry Professional  
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### Presenter of the Preceptor of the Year

**Daniel T. Podd '05P, MPAS, PA-C**  
Associate Professor/Industry Professional  
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### Preceptor of the Year

**Antwan Ibrahimn Haskoor, M.D.**  
Pediatrician  
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### Physician Assistant Oath of Commitment

**Izabela Horzempa**  
Physician Assistant, Master of Science, Class of 2023  
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### Closing Remarks

**Russell J. DiGate, Ph.D.**  
Dean and Professor, College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences  
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