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AANA Education Foundation Donor Highlight: Richard L. Angelo, M.D., Ph.D.

Celebrating the Legacy of an AANA Past President and Loyal Supporter



In orthopaedic surgery, there are those whose contributions extend far beyond the operating room, leaving a lasting mark on the field and its continued advancement. One such individual who the AANA Education Foundation has the privilege of highlighting is AANA Past President Dr. Richard Angelo, a Legacy Donor and Richard B. Caspari Society Member.

For over a decade, Dr. Angelo has demonstrated an unwavering commitment and exemplified the true spirit of giving. His steadfast dedication to the Foundation goes far beyond his exemplary leadership as AANA's past president. Dr. Angelo's continued support has played a pivotal role in assisting AANA and the Foundation with advancing orthopaedic surgery, enhancing patient care and promoting innovative research.

“As long as I've been involved in AANA, the mission has centered around advancing education via surgical skills, which is an area I'm most passionate about,” Dr. Angelo says. “When AANA launched a complete proficiency-based progression training course for the shoulder in 2019, I will never forget the number of both attendees and faculty who came up to me afterwards and commended the method of instruction. I am proud to pay it forward because of these types of efforts AANA supports.”

What makes Dr. Angelo's commitment profound is his steadfast belief in the importance of giving back to the profession he holds dear. He understands that by supporting the Foundation,

he is contributing to a legacy of excellence in orthopaedic surgery, ensuring that future generations of surgeons have the tools and resources they need to excel.

“The leaders of AANA decades before my time made substantial efforts so that there would be opportunities for us,” Dr. Angelo adds. “The fruition of AANA’s skills-based lab courses and the Orthopaedic Learning Center didn’t happen on accident. Future surgeons following in our footsteps deserve to have the same opportunities we benefited from so that they can take our profession even further.”

As Orthopaedic Surgeons, it’s crucial to come together in support of the Foundation. Arthroscopy and minimally invasive surgery are continually evolving, with new techniques, technologies and treatments emerging at a rapid pace. By donating to the Foundation today, you’re not only honoring the past, but you’re also investing in the future. Your contributions enable groundbreaking research, educational opportunities and advancements in patient care that benefit your colleagues.

Join Dr. Angelo and your fellow colleagues in supporting the Foundation. Your contribution, no matter how large or small, will play a crucial role in seeing beyond the scope and advancing excellence in orthopaedic surgery. Make a commitment to the betterment of orthopaedic surgery and the lives of those you serve.

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EDUCATION FOUNDATION NEWS



Thanks to our generous funding partner, DePuy Synthes, The Orthopaedics Company of Johnson & Johnson, AANA and the Education Foundation hosted another successful Future Scope: Introduction to Orthopaedics and Arthroscopy course on October 21 at the Orthopaedic Learning Center (OLC) in Rosemont, IL. The course was filled with underrepresented minority medical students from the area eager to learn about the fundamentals of an orthopaedic practice. With faculty ranging from those with advanced careers to current residents, students spent the day listening to lectures, observing cadaveric demonstrations, using simulated VR and asking questions as they consider a career path in orthopaedics. The next Future Scope course heads to sunny [Palm Beach Gardens, FL on November 18](#).

***Now Open!* Annual Fellows and Chief Residents Scholarship**

Arthroscopy Fellows and PGY5 Orthopaedic Residents are encouraged to apply for one of four available scholarships to attend the 7th Annual Fellows and Chief Residents Course March 15-16, 2024 in Rosemont, Illinois. The scholarship includes course registration and up to \$500 in travel reimbursement. The AANA Education Foundation is grateful to support courses like these that help shape future AANA leaders and expert Orthopaedic Surgeons. [Learn more and apply.](#)

***Now Open!* International Education Scholarship**

Five scholarships are now available for International AANA members to attend either the 2024 AANA Annual Meeting May 9-11 in Boston, Massachusetts or an Advanced Lab Course in Rosemont, Illinois. Each scholarship will cover course registration and up to \$2,000 in travel reimbursement. The AANA Education Foundation proudly supports these educational opportunities that allow internationally based Orthopaedic Surgeons to receive insightful career pearls from AANA leaders. [Learn more and apply.](#)

AANA Traveling Fellowship Program

The AANA Education Foundation is proud to help fund the AANA Traveling Fellowship Program with generous donations from individuals and corporations like you. This important program affords selected Orthopaedic Surgeons a unique and invaluable opportunity to forge new relationships, learn the latest arthroscopy techniques and cherish memories for years to come. Applications for the 2024 journey are now open! The program will culminate at AANA24 in Boston. [Learn more.](#)

We Need Your All In Support

Whatever the dollar amount – \$10, \$25, \$100 – join us by *Seeing Beyond the Scope* when you go All In on your year-end donation to the AANA Education Foundation. Together, let's drive progress, inspire innovation and make a profound impact on arthroscopy and minimally invasive surgery. [Make your year-end donation today!](#)

DONATIONS AT WORK

Congratulations to Our Lab Course Scholarship Recipients!

The AANA Education Foundation is excited to announce the recipients of 2024 AANA Lab Course Scholarships. These scholarship opportunities grant complimentary course lab course registration to recipients.

Congratulations to the following recipients:

AANA Advanced Procedure-Specific Surgical Experience for the Knee and Shoulder, October 20-22

- Aniebiet Udofia, M.D., M.B.A.
- Robert Browning, M.D.

Advanced Foot and Ankle Lab Course, November 3-4

- Abdoulaye Aw, M.D.
- Heath Gould, M.D.

Innovations in Hip Arthroscopy Lab Course, November 3-4

- Justin Hicks, M.D.
- Serkan Surucu, M.D.
- Christopher J. DeFrancesco, M.D.