

# TOURO COLLEGE

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## **News From Touro College -New Clinical Dean at Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine**

**New York, N.Y., August 23, 2011** - Touro College has announced the appointment of Kenneth J. Steier, DO, as clinical dean at the [Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine](#) (TouroCOM).

Dean Steier joins Touro from Long Island Jewish Medical Center, where he served as medical director for pre-surgical testing. At Touro, his responsibilities include oversight of medical students on rotation at New York-area hospitals; planning and implementation of the clinical curriculum; and further design of the internship and residency programs. He will also teach courses in clinical systems, and an introductory course in clinical medicine.

"I'm excited to join the Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine, where I hope to develop new partnerships with area hospitals and to fulfill our mission of training excellent physicians and serving the community," Dr. Steier said. "The faculty and administration at Touro are highly-skilled and dedicated, and the opportunities for Touro students are boundless."

TouroCOM was founded in Harlem in 2007 with a special mission that included training physicians who want to work in underserved communities. The College recently graduated its first class of 105 medical students, many of whom were offered residencies at some of the best medical and surgical programs in the country, including New York University Medical Center (Tisch and Bellevue hospitals); Walter Reed National Army Hospital; Mt. Sinai Hospital, Baltimore; and the Mayo Clinic.

"Kenneth Steier is an excellent addition to our faculty," said Dean Robert Goldberg, DO. "We welcome his wealth of experience, which will help guide our students in both the selection and the pursuit of medical specialty choices."

Dr. Steier is board certified in internal, pulmonary and critical care medicine. He formerly served as associate dean and chair of the Department of Medicine at the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences, as well as a clinical assistant dean at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine. He holds master's degrees in public health, geriatric health, and health administration, and currently is earning a master's degree in business administration. Dr. Steier is an accreditation surveyor for the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), a grant reviewer for the Health Resources Services Administration and a consultant for the Food and Drug Administration. He received a bachelor of science in biology from the State University of New York at Stony Brook, and his doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Dean Steier has written for a number of notable publications including the Journal of the American Osteopathic Association, the Journal of the Pennsylvania Osteopathic Medical Association, the Post Graduate Medicine, Osteopathic Medical News and the Hospital Physician.

He is a frequent guest as a medical expert on CBS radio, Channel 4 News in New York and Channel 12 News in Long Island.

The Touro College and University System is a rapidly-growing health care institution and one of the largest educators of physicians in the nation. In addition to TouroCOM in Harlem, Touro educates DOs at campuses in [Touro University Nevada](#) in Henderson, Nev. and [Touro University California](#) in Vallejo, Calif. Nearly one out of 10 osteopathic students in the country is enrolled at Touro.

In addition to its three colleges of osteopathic medicine, the Touro system also includes [New York Medical College](#) in Valhalla, N.Y.; [Touro College of Pharmacy](#) in Harlem; [Touro University College of Pharmacy](#) in Vallejo, Calif.; as well as numerous other medical and health sciences programs at multiple sites throughout New York and the nation.

TouroCOM has received accreditation from the AOA, and in May it received Initial Award of Accreditation from the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation. The College's program is registered by the New York State Education Department.

*About the Touro College and University System*

*Touro is a system of Jewish-sponsored non-profit institutions of higher and professional education. Touro College was chartered in 1970 primarily to enrich the Jewish heritage, and to serve the larger American community. Approximately 19,000 students are currently enrolled in its various schools and divisions. Touro College has branch campuses, locations and instructional sites in the New York area, as well as branch campuses and programs in Berlin, Jerusalem, Moscow, Paris, and Florida. Touro University California and its Nevada branch campus, as well as Touro College Los Angeles and Touro University Worldwide, are separately accredited institutions within the Touro College and University System. For further information on Touro College, please go to: <http://www.touro.edu/media/>.*

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