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*Sean Clancy, AVP, Marketing & Business Engagement
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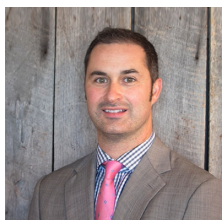
Sean Clancy is currently the Associate Vice President for marketing and business engagement at Great Bay Community College where he has served in various capacities since 2016. He is responsible for the overall operation of GBCC Rochester as well as six technical programs based there. In addition to his work in higher education administration, he has taught in various college and university business programs most notably at the University of New Hampshire 2004.

Prior to joining Great Bay, Sean worked in private industry primarily in the transportation and distribution sector. He has been training, developing, and coaching executives and other professionals to enhance their leadership capabilities for the last 20 years. Sean is a past board member of Leadership Seacoast.



*Lynn Szymanski, Director, Workforce Development
Great Bay Community College*

Lynn Szymanski is the director of workforce development at Great Bay Community College. She works to develop skills-based educational programs for area companies and community members. She has 20 years experience in program design, grant writing/administration, project management and teaching. Prior to her work at Great Bay, she led two federally funded initiatives at NHTI, Concord's Community College focusing on building academic programs to prepare New Hampshire's workforce for high skill/high wage jobs in Advanced Manufacturing, Industrial Design and Information Technology. In her spare time, she teaches woodworking to the residents of the Women's State Correctional Facility in Concord.



*Josh Levy, Co-Founding Principal
Waterstone Properties Group*

Josh Levy is the co-founding Principal of Waterstone Properties Group, the 2nd largest retail developer in New England. Waterstone specializes in mixed use developments, retail, healthcare, office, and Logistic Centers. Josh is actively involved in all facets of the company for Waterstone's nearly 70 commercial properties. In recent years, Josh has spearheaded Waterstone's new mixed-use projects including the 2.4M sf flagship experiential development project Rock Row in Greater Portland, Maine. Josh is actively involved in fostering partnerships with civic organizations, government officials, brokers, and tenants all to serve the community through Waterstone's projects, and he maintains relationships with retail tenants and brokers throughout the U.S.

A graduate of Boston College, Josh has pursued continued real estate education through MIT, Boston University, ICSC and CCIM. He has been a guest lecturer at both Harvard University and Boston College, and is a member of the International Council of Shopping Centers, NH ICSC Next Generation Committee, Young President's Organization, Boston College TREK and sits on the board at Newton Wellesley Hospital in Newton, Massachusetts.

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Mary Strathern, Realtor, Associate Broker, RSPS The Gove Group

As one of The Gove Group Real Estate's top producers, Mary offers a wealth of knowledge to both buyers and sellers looking to work with an experienced local Realtor. Mary's wealth of knowledge for all aspects of real estate transactions is unmatched. Not only has she been a realtor for over 16 years, for approximately 5 years Mary also owned Spoerl and Strathern and Weichert Realtors in downtown Exeter, giving her an even broader depth of experience and knowledge. She has immersed herself in the Seacoast real estate market in every way, thereby enabling her to establish strong relationships with local businesses and service providers. Mary is deeply rooted in her hometown community of Exeter, NH, which gives her a comprehensive understanding of what makes the Seacoast area so special. Prior to becoming a realtor, Mary enjoyed a successful career in the medical fields including nursing, medical office management, pharmaceutical sales, and medical research. Mary's work ethic, professionalism, and knowledge of the local real estate market are what makes her stand out in her field.



Deborah Fournier, JD, Senior Associate UNH, Health Law & Policy, Institute for Health Policy & Practice

Deborah H. Fournier, JD, joined the Institute for Health Policy and Practice as a Senior Associate for the Health Law and Policy Section in September of 2020. Deborah is a former Medicaid Director for New Hampshire and supports IHPP with regulatory and legislative reviews, analyses, and reports on state and federal policy developments relevant to New Hampshire's vibrant health policy landscape. Before joining NH DHHS, Deborah led strategic planning and implementation of health care policy and advocacy at the New Hampshire Fiscal Policy Institute, including partnership in the effort to expand Medicaid in New Hampshire. Deborah also previously served as a Senior Policy Analyst for National and Federal Affairs at the Massachusetts Office of Medicaid, Executive Office of Health & Human Services. She holds a J.D. from Northeastern University School of Law, and a Bachelor of Arts in History from Whitman College. Deborah is admitted to the practice of law in Massachusetts.



Christopher Wheeler, PA-C, Physician Assistant Access Sports Medicine & Orthopedics

Christopher L. Wheeler, PA-C joined the staff as a Physician Assistant at Access Sports Medicine in December 1997. Originally from Western New York, he graduated summa cum laude from Ithaca College in 1993 with a B.S. in Exercise Science. While at Ithaca he received the professional excellence award from the Department of Exercise of Sports Sciences. He then graduated with honors from Emory University School of Medicine Physician Assistant Program in 1996 with a Master's of Medical Science degree.

Prior to joining Access, he served as a physician assistant for a private practice Internal Medicine group in Atlanta. He is licensed to practice in the State of New Hampshire and certified by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA). He now lectures and serves as a preceptor for the University of New England Physician Assistant program. In 2000 the staff at Access Sports Medicine nominated him for PA of the year for the State of New Hampshire. He serves in clinical, operative and off-site services for Access Sports Medicine.