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Living and practicing in Upstate New York, Dr. Hook was raised in the Pocono Mountain region of northeastern Pennsylvania.

She received her BA in Psychobiology at Hood College in Frederick, Maryland. Dr. Hook is a 2004 graduate of the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine (now KSUCPM). She went on to complete her Podiatric Medicine and Surgery residency at the

Catholic Health System/Sisters of Charity Hospital in Buffalo, New York. Dr. Hook is proud to practice podiatry at Syracuse Orthopedic Specialists, P.C. in Syracuse, New York.

While her passion is patient care in all aspects of podiatry including diabetic foot care, sports medicine and trauma care, biomechanics, and pediatrics, Dr. Hook also devotes herself to working to advance the profession. Board Certified by the American Board of Podiatric Medicine, she is honored to assist the ABPM Marketing Committee as the Diplomate Newsletter sub-chair/editor and as a member of the social media subcommittee. She also works with the Marketing and Membership committees of the ACPM. Dr. Hook is a Trustee of the New York State Podiatric Medical Association. There, she is a member of the Bylaws and

Insurance and Health Policy committees and chairs the Public and Population Health Task Force. She is also the APMA CAC Representative for New York. She is active with the American Association for Women Podiatrists, directing social media and serving as the Second Vice President. Dr. Hook is also a regular contributor to Podiatry Today magazine.

## **Looking Forward: Thoughts from Dr. Hook**

- What are your hopes for the podiatric profession moving forward?
- What role do you feel the ACPM should play to enhance the profession?

"Although I think this is already happening to some extent, I would like to see the profession become more integrated and a part of the entire healthcare system. We know, as podiatrists, how vital our care is to the physical- and sometimes mental- health of the patient. Podiatric care becoming part of the entire care team of the patient would be invaluable. This will be a long journey and take a lot of effort, but the outcome could be so rewarding for podiatrists and our patients."

"I think it is the responsibility of all of our organizations, and maybe even especially the College, to reach potential students, current students, residents, and young practitioners. I think current podiatrists and podiatric leaders should be not only working to protect and improve our profession currently, but also striving to guide the future of podiatry. We can do this best by educating podiatrists and ensuring they are leaders in medicine and health care. ACPM, in educating and supporting its members, allows potential practitioners to see the benefits of becoming part of our amazing profession."

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