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Dr. Maria Parisi Named Associate Dean for the Practice of Optometric Medicine at Salus University Pennsylvania College of Optometry

Elkins Park, PA – Maria L. Parisi, OD, FAAO, has been named associate dean for the Practice of Optometric Medicine at Salus University Pennsylvania College of Optometry (PCO). Salus University is an internationally recognized academic institution offering a wide range of graduate, professional degree and post-graduate residency programs for health care professionals. Dr. Parisi brings more than 25 years of experience at PCO to her new position. She has served as PCO's director of externships since 2008 and will maintain this role through the summer in addition to her new responsibilities as associate dean.

Dr. Parisi serves on numerous Salus University committees. She is currently the vice president of the Faculty Organization, chair of the Judicial Committee, a member of the Committee on Academic Promotions, the Steering Committee for the Strategic Planning Committee, and the Executive Hot Team. She also has extensive teaching experience in the area of pediatric optometry, in both the United States and internationally.

Dr. Parisi received a Bachelor of Arts degree in biology from St. Michael's College in Colchester, Vermont. She received her Doctor of Optometry degree from the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, where she also completed her residency in primary care optometry and received certification in concentrated ocular therapy.

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About Salus University

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