

Nicholas Jouriles, MD, FACEP

Speaker Profile

Nicholas Jouriles, MD, FACEP, is currently Chair of the Department of Emergency Medicine at Akron General Medical Center. He is also Chair of the Department of Emergency Medicine at Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED).

Dr. Jouriles is a Past President of the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) as well as a Past President of the Ohio Chapter of ACEP.

He has received numerous awards and honors including: EMRA National Teaching Fellowship Scholarship Recipient; ACEP Council Meritorious Service Award; Ohio ACEP Bill Hall Award; Akron General EM Residency Teacher of the Year and the AMA Women Professional Committee Mentorship Award.

As a residency director, Dr. Jouriles has pioneered several innovations in EM residency training including the model of direct observation of resident encounters with patients in the ED. This concept has led to the well-accepted use of the Standardized Direct Observation Tool (SDOT) throughout the United States.

Jouriles earned his bachelor's degree in Molecular Biology from the University of Pennsylvania, graduated from the medical school at Case Western Reserve University, studied internal medicine at Dartmouth for three years and spent two years training at Denver General Hospital emergency department.

As a resident at Denver General, Jouriles was part of a team that was integral in defining the specialty of emergency medicine and trauma care in the 1980s. Handling unusually high incidence of gunshot and stab wounds and overdoses, the Denver General ED routinely dealt with the city's most demanding emergencies. As a result, the ED team became known as "The Knife and Gun Club," after being featured in a 1989 photo-essay book of the same name by award-winning photojournalist Eugene Richards.

After his work in Denver, Jouriles returned to Northeast Ohio and worked at University Hospitals and MetroHealth Medical Center before arriving at Akron General. He started the emergency medicine curriculum at Case Western Reserve University's medical school and continues to write curriculum for the residents at NEOMED.