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Education Programs Serve Critical Role in Promoting Mission

THE POPE PAUL VI INSTITUTE Education Department is the hub of growth in the **CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare System** and **NaProTECHNOLOGY** around the world. As the Education Program Coordinator at the Pope Paul VI Institute, under the direction of Program director Dr. Thomas Hilgers, Alice Sales is responsible for coordinating and overseeing the sponsorship, maintenance and implementation of Omaha Education Programs as well as servicing and supporting satellite and non-Omaha Education Programs. In addition to coordinating certification examinations and Program completion, Alice is focused on recruiting, supporting and promoting students and graduates.



Alice Sales

According to Alice, the programs leave a lasting impact on the participants, one which extends well beyond the training they receive. "I have seen so many grown men and women literally cry with joy because the **CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare™ System** and **NaProTECHNOLOGY** allow them to practice their faith through their medical practice."

In her 20 years at the Institute, Alice has seen the education programs grow tremendously. The Institute offers a two-phase Education Program, which it holds annually in Omaha, NE and have taken to Poland and Mexico in recent years. These programs have gone from an average of 46 students per class to attracting well over 100 consistently for the last 5 years. In conjunction with the Omaha Education Program, the Institute also hosts the Love and Life Unlimited Conference each year designed to ponder, promote and proclaim the Catholic vision of women's healthcare. All interested in supporting this work are invited to attend the Love and Life Unlimited Conference including priests and other religious, family life directors, RCIA team members, pro-life directors, marriage preparation instructors, supporters, benefactors and faithful donors of the Institute. To date, more than 3000 individuals have completed the Education Programs and/or the Love and Life Unlimited Conference. Due to these efforts, the **CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare System** and **NaProTECHNOLOGY** are now represented on all continents except for Antarctica.

This is a need that cannot be understated, says Alice. "There is such a strong need today to educate Catholics and non-Catholics alike about the faith relative to reproductive health, and that is the major reason why I love working at the Institute. It gives me the chance to evangelize."

One of the aspects of her job Alice enjoys the most is working with physicians going through their own conversion experiences. "I can relate to them," she says. "This work has changed my life personally in a very deep way as well as my marriage and my family. Every member of my family was inspired to convert based entirely on my experiences of working here."

As a mother of three **NaPro**-babies herself, Alice understands the Education Program's critical role in supporting the mission of the Pope Paul VI Institute. "This work has grown into being my passion, because we are promoting stronger marriages and healthier families, educating and challenging people to protect the gift of fertility and not destroy it."

Please contact Alice at education@popepaulvi.com for information on any of the Pope Paul VI Institute Education Programs or Love & Life Unlimited Conferences.

A Gift for All of Ukraine

THE POPE PAUL VI INSTITUTE'S EDUCATION PROGRAM continues to grow and attract medical professionals from around the world who are seeking to practice reproductive healthcare that is both ethically and medically superior to such artificial means of reproductive healthcare as contraception, abortion, in-vitro fertilization, and sterilization.

This was especially the case for current education program student, Dr. Olga Andriienko, a medical doctor from Ukraine. Practicing in her native country, Dr. Andriienko witnessed firsthand the harmful consequences of contraception, abortion and other reproductive procedures on women and their families. The negative impressions these methods left on her were so great in fact, that Dr. Andriienko chose to leave the practice of medicine altogether as she was not comfortable being forced by the State to perform practices that contradicted her faith and her better judgment as a doctor.

After being out of practice for years and while working in a non-medical field, Dr. Andriienko was urged to look into **NaProTECHNOLOGY** by a parish acquaintance, a religious sister, but it was not until months later, however, during World Youth Day 2013 when the seed planted by Sister Beata would eventually blossom.

It was something Pope Francis said, recalls Dr. Andriienko. "Go, don't be afraid and serve." It was then that I knew that I was called to practice medicine and that I should give **NaProTECHNOLOGY** a closer look."

Upon returning to Ukraine, she began to research



Dr. Olga Andriienko (left), Kiev, Ukraine and Ann Prebil, BSN, CFCE St. Louis

NaProTECHNOLOGY with greater interest. It did not take long for Dr. Andriienko to be convinced that **NaProTECHNOLOGY** was the only way she could continue in medicine, and less than a month later she was on her way to Omaha for Phase I of the Education Program.

Her participation in the Medical Consultant Program has been a rewarding but also an eye-opening experience. Dr. Andriienko has

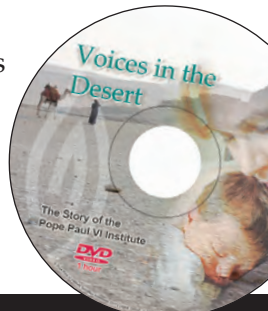
enjoyed the camaraderie and support of other medical professionals, from all throughout the world, who are also facing staunch opposition from a culture of death that is not confined by boundaries. "I know about the problems in Ukraine and how the State promotes the culture of death, but I did not think these problems exist in America ... they do."

Dr. Andriienko is the second OB-GYN in Ukraine practicing **NaProTECHNOLOGY** in a private medical setting. Also enrolled in the **FertilityCare** practitioner program, she is supervised by Ann Prebil, co-developer of the **CREIGHTON MODEL FertilityCare System**, who supervises Olga as a practitioner Intern with monthly Skype calls and frequent assignments. Amazingly, during the Kiev square crisis, a **FertilityCare** client kept her appointment with Dr. Olga.

"There is a great need in Ukraine for **NaProTECHNOLOGY**," says Dr. Andriienko, who sees the Catholic Church growing in a country that was long influenced by the anti-religious policies of communist Russia. "It is a gift for all of Ukraine."

Voices in the Desert, the story of the Pope Paul VI Institute, is now available on DVD for \$14.95 (free shipping)!

This documentary, featured on EWTN, showcases the successes of **NaProTECHNOLOGY** and the continuing research, education, and reproductive health care developed at the Pope Paul VI Institute.



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In this issue: Read how the Creighton Model FertilityCare System and NaProTechnology are now being practiced in Ukraine!

A Gift in Your Will: Getting Started

WE HOPE YOU'LL CONSIDER INCLUDING A GIFT to Pope Paul VI Institute in your will or living trust. Called a charitable bequest, this type of gift offers these benefits:

- **Simplicity.** A few sentences in your will or trust are all that is needed: "I, [name], of [city, state, ZIP], give, devise and bequeath to Pope Paul VI Institute [written amount or percentage of the estate or description of property] for its unrestricted use and purpose."
- **Flexibility.** Because you are not actually making a gift until after your lifetime, you can change your mind at any time.
- **Versatility.** You can structure the bequest to leave a specific item or amount of money or make the gift contingent on certain events.
- **Tax Relief.** If your estate is subject to estate tax, your gift is entitled to an estate tax charitable deduction for the gift's full value.

How It Works

To make a charitable bequest, you need a current will or revocable living trust. Your gift can be made as a percentage of your estate. Or you can make a specific

bequest by giving a certain amount of cash, securities or property. After your lifetime, Pope Paul VI Institute receives your gift.

Putting Your Family First

When planning a future gift, it's sometimes difficult to determine what size donation will make sense. Including a bequest of a *percentage of your estate* ensures that your gift will remain proportionate no matter how your estate's value fluctuates over the years.

We Can Help

Contact Maureen Karpf at (402) 505-8945 about naming Pope Paul VI Institute in your will or living trust. We're happy to help without obligation.

As a not-for-profit organization, the Pope Paul VI Institute relies on the generosity of donors who share the Institute's commitment to building a culture of life. Making a gift to the Institute is easy. You can use enclosed envelope to mail in your donation, or you can visit www.popepaulvi.com/give, where we have information on a variety of gift and pledge options, including planned gifts. By remembering the Pope Paul VI Institute in your will, you can make a lasting contribution that directly supports life.

Building a *Culture of Life* in Women's Health Care



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Rewarded by Faith

JENNIFER AND JEFF DYE OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS had struggled with secondary infertility for years when they first heard about the Pope Paul VI Institute and Dr. Hilgers' work in the area of reproductive healthcare. "We saw infertility specialist after infertility specialist, and they tried to push us towards artificial means of reproduction," said Jennifer. "But we just were not comfortable with these methods."

So they continued to suffer with infertility. This was until 2010, when the couple finally reached out to a **NaProTECHNOLOGY** expert in their area whom they had heard about a few years before while attending a Loving Embrace group meeting.

In September of 2010, Jennifer had a laparoscopy which led to a diagnosis of endometriosis. The following month, the couple met Dr. Hilgers, who performed the surgery to remove the harmful tissue from further interfering with her reproductive health.



Jeff and Jennifer Dye and their two boys.

Read inside the story of Dr. Olga Andriienko, (above) and her practice in Kiev, Ukraine.

While it would be about a year before they were pregnant with their second child, the real confirmation for Jennifer came when she awoke from her second surgery.

"As I was getting ready to go into surgery, I was a little nervous," Jennifer recalls. "But then a nurse stopped by my bedside and asked if I would like a plastic rosary."

As someone with a devotion to the rosary, Jennifer of course accepted the rosary, but the real surprise came when she awoke from surgery. "The rosary was taped to my hand. I knew then that we had done the right thing."

Over a year later, the Dyes were soon blessed with a child, whom they would name Thomas after Dr. Hilgers.

"There is something so special about the Pope Paul VI Institute, about Dr. Hilgers and all the people who work there," Jennifer said. "What a gift they gave to our family!"

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

I am pleased to provide you with this current edition of the Pope Paul VI Institute's *Culture of Life* newsletter. In this edition, you may notice a recurring theme in several of the enclosed stories. Faith plays a central theme in all of these stories, which document courageous people doing courageous things in the midst of tremendous odds and pressures.

There is the story of Dr. Andriienko who sought out the Institute all the way from Ukraine, or the Dyes who spurned "conventional" methods of reproductive healthcare in favor of the medically and ethically superior methods offered through the Pope Paul VI Institute.

Certainly, it was by faith that we founded the Institute years ago, and we continue to rely on God to help us sustain and grow our mission. While we have had our share of setbacks along the way, we have also been showered with many blessings that have materially and spiritually supported us through very difficult times.

As we continue to grow and see our mission take hold across the world, I want to thank you once again for your interest in our work and your generous support.