

# Welcome New Faculty



**Todd Goldblum MD**  
Clinical Assistant Professor

**Todd Goldblum, MD** joins the faculty as an Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology. Specializing in pediatric ophthalmology and eye muscle disorders in children and adults, he received his MD degree from Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. He then did his pediatric residency at MetroHealth Medical Center, his ophthalmology residency at MetroHealth/Saint Luke's Medical Center, Cleveland, and completed a fellowship in pediatric ophthalmology at the University of Minnesota. Dr. Goldblum serves on the Vision Screen Advisory Committee for the New Mexico Department of Health. He has been in private practice for 21 years, and has been involved with many multi-center clinical trials as an principal investigator for the Pediatric Eye Disease Investigator Group (PEDIG). "What I like most about working at UNM is the wonderful camaraderie I have with my colleagues," comments Dr. Goldblum.



**Rebecca Leenheer, MD**  
Clinical Assistant Professor

**Rebecca Leenheer, MD** joins the faculty as a Part-time Clinical Assistant professor. Specializing in pediatric ophthalmology, and eye muscle disorders in children and adults, she received her medical degree from Loma Linda University, CA. She then completed her ophthalmology residency at Loma Linda University and a fellowship in pediatric ophthalmology and strabismus at the University of Southern California and Cedars Sinai. Dr. Leenheer serves on the Socioeconomic Committee and Young Ophthalmologist Committee for the American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus.



**John Pitcher, MD**  
Clinical Assistant Professor

**John Pitcher, MD** from Albuquerque joins the faculty as a part-time Clinical Assistant Professor. Specializing in vitreo-retinal diseases, he received his doctor of medicine degree from Baylor College of medicine, Houston, TX. He then completed his residency in ophthalmology at Jules Stein Eye Institute at UCLA and a fellowship in vitreo-retinal surgery at Wills Eye Hospital, Philadelphia. Dr. Pitcher received the prestigious Ronald G. Michels Foundation fellowship award in 2013. His research interests include advances in vitreo-retinal surgical instrumentation, and clinical trials in pharmacotherapies.

**C. Nathaniel Roybal, MD, PhD** joins the faculty as a part-time Clinical Assistant Professor. Originally from Mora, NM, he received his MD and PhD degrees from UNM, and then completed his residency in Ophthalmology at Jules Stein Eye Institute at UCLA, and a fellowship in Retina at University of Iowa. He spent considerable time in research at UCLA where he used proteomics to devise successful treatment strategies for patients with uveitis, a potentially blinding eye disease.



**C. Nathaniel Roybal, MD, PhD**  
Clinical Assistant Professor