17th Annual Advanced Workshop on Gynecologic Laparoscopic Anatomy & Minimally Invasive Surgery Including Pelvic Floor Reconstruction

May 15-16, 2015
University of Louisville | Louisville, Kentucky
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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is designed for gynecologists with advanced laparoscopic skills who wish to expand their knowledge of retroperitoneal and Space of Retzius anatomy and the various surgeries performed therein. This extensive two-day course will expose the participants to the knowledge and expertise of world-renowned laparoscopic surgeons who will guide them through didactics and hands on cadaveric sessions utilizing unembalmed female cadavers.

No more than three participants are assigned to each cadaver and are closely supervised by experienced faculty instructors. Each participant will have the opportunity to operate, assist and observe in a rotational format to optimize their learning experience and suturing technique. The course will focus on demonstration of pelvic sidewall dissection, preparation for laparoscopic hysterectomy, uterosacral colposuspension, Burch retro pubic colposuspension and paravaginal defect repairs through the laparoscopic approach.

Pelvic floor reconstructive procedures will be highlighted during breakout sessions to accommodate those with a particular interest in furthering their skills in these procedures.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this activity, the participant will be able to: 1) Appraise skills learned to relevant pelvic anatomy and apply them for surgery including laparoscopic hysterectomy and pelvic floor surgery; 2) apply skills learned to pelvic side wall dissection and illustrate retroperitoneal structures; 3) explain the ergonomics, theory and rationale for reproducible laparoscopic suturing; 4) demonstrate measurable improvement in laparoscopic suturing skills; apply principles of laparoscopic suturing to fresh tissue cadaver; and 5) identify risk factors for laparoscopic complications and manage treatment of such.

“Excellent instructors, learning tailored to meet the needs of the individual, excellent instruction on managing complications, gave me more confidence with suturing and dissection of Retroperitoneal Space...”
TARGET AUDIENCE
This activity meets the needs of surgical gynecologists in practice and in training, as well as other healthcare professionals in the field of gynecology.

ACCREDITATION
AAGL is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The AAGL designates this live activity for a maximum of 17 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST
It is the policy of the AAGL to ensure balance, independence, objective, and scientific rigor in all sponsored educational programs. All faculty participating in continuing medical education activities are required to complete a conflict of interest disclosure form. This information will be printed in the syllabus which will be distributed at the workshop. In addition, all participating faculty are required to disclose to the audience any real or apparent conflict of interest related to the content of their presentations and must also disclose any discussions of unlabeled/unapproved uses of drugs or devices.

ACCME CONTENT VALIDATION STATEMENT
All the recommendations involving clinical medicine in the program are based on evidence that is accepted within the field of medicine as adequate justification for their indications and contraindications in the care of patients. All scientific research referred to, reported or used in the program in support or justification of a patient care recommendation conforms to the generally accepted standards of experimental design, data collection and analysis.

LOCATION
The workshop will be held at:
University of Louisville
Health Sciences Center, Building B
Louisville, Kentucky 40202

LODGING
Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott - Louisville Downtown
100 East Jefferson
Louisville, KY 40202
Reservations: 1-877-545-0352
A block of rooms has been reserved at Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott in Louisville Downtown for a special rate of $125.00 Single/Double occupancy, plus state/local taxes (currently 16.07%). Reservations must be received on or before Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Please note, if you wish to take advantage of the special rate you may call 1-877-545-0352. Be sure to mention “AAGL.”
REGISTRATION FEE

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CANCELLATION

Cancellations received prior to April 30, 2015 will be refunded minus $125 for administrative fees. No refunds will be made after April 30, 2015. In the event that this course is canceled for any reason, attendees will be notified of course cancellation no later than two weeks prior to scheduled dates and a full refund will be issued. Attendees are responsible for canceling their own hotel and airline reservations.

INFORMATION

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Friday, May 15, 2015
7:45 am – 5:00 pm

7:45  Welcome, Introduction and Course Overview       R.P. Pasic
8:00  Fundamental Laparoscopic Pelvic Anatomy        E.C. Campian
8:40  Pelvic Sidewall Dissection, Retroperitoneal Anatomy  C.H. Nezhat
9:20  Questions and Answers
9:30  Refreshment Break
9:40  Endoscopic Surgery Approach to Frozen Pelvis (via teleconference) A. Wattiez
10:20 Applied Pelvic Anatomy for Management of Endometriosis and Adnexal Disease A. Setubal
11:00 Laparoscopic Suturing J.L. Hudgens
11:40 Questions and Answers All Faculty
12:00 Working Lunch – Video: Laparoscopic Dissection
1:00 Hands-On Cadaver Dissection (3 participants per cadaver)
   • Review Surface Anatomy of the Pelvis
   • Anatomy and Technique of Performing Uterosacral Ligament Suspension
   • Retroperitoneal Spaces, Vessels, Nerves Dissection
   • Dissection of Pelvic Sidewall
5:00  Adjourn
Saturday, May 16, 2015
8:00 am – 5:00 pm

8:00  Laparoscopic Treatment of Apical Prolapse and Stress Incontinence  S.L. Francis
8:40  Pearls of Laparoscopic Hysterectomy  S.M. Biscette
9:20  Complications of Laparoscopy and How to Avoid Them  R.P. Pasic
10:00 Questions and Answers  All Faculty
10:15 Refreshment Break
10:45 Hands-On Cadaver Dissection
   • Anatomy and Refined Techniques of Performing Laparoscopic Hysterectomy
   • Dissection of the Space of Retzius
   • Laparoscopic Suturing
12:45 Lunch
1:30 Hands-On Cadaver Dissection – Continued
   • Laparoscopic Repair of Bowel, Bladder and Ureteral Injury, Laparoscopic Sacrocolpopexy
   • Review of Laparoscopic Anatomy
   • Vaginal Pelvic Floor Reconstruction using TVT, Trans Obturator Slings, TVT Secure
5:00 Adjourn
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