21st Advanced Workshop on Gynecologic Laparoscopic Anatomy & Minimally Invasive Surgery with Emphasis on Laparoscopic Hysterectomy

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Course Description
This course is designed for gynecologists who desire to advance their laparoscopic skills. This extensive two-day course will expose the participants to the knowledge and expertise of world-renowned laparoscopic surgeons, including 7 Past Presidents of AAGL, who will guide them through didactics and hands-on laparoscopic suturing and cadaveric sessions utilizing unembalmed female cadavers.

No more than three participants are assigned to each cadaver and s/he is 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, localization of the ureter and retroperitoneal blood vessels, preparation for laparoscopic hysterectomy, and laparoscopic cuff closure. We will also focus on pelvic floor reconstruction procedures concomitant to laparoscopic hysterectomy.

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 to surgery including laparoscopic hysterectomy and pelvic floor surgery; 2) apply skills learned to pelvic sidewall dissection and illustrate retroperitoneal structures; 3) explain the ergonomics, theory, and rationale for reproducible laparoscopic suturing; 4) demonstrate measurable improvement in laparoscopic suturing skills and apply principles of laparoscopic suturing to fresh cadaver tissue; and 5) identify risk factors for laparoscopic complications and manage treatment of such.

Course Outline

FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2018

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<td>Welcome, Introduction, and Course Overview</td>
<td>R.L. Levine, R.P. Pasic</td>
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<td>Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Pelvic Anatomy</td>
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General Information

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
This course 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 16.5 AMA PRA Category I Credit(s)™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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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.

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Room Rate
Please call 1-877-545-0352 for a special AAGL rate of $129.00 Single/Double occupancy, plus state/local taxes. Reservations must be received on or before Thursday, May 10, 2018.
The AAGL wishes to thank those individuals who donated their bodies and tissue for the advancement of education and research.

Annual AAGL Member Dues are $325 for practicing physicians. If you are not a current member of the AAGL, by attending this workshop and paying the non-member fee, you are eligible for a 1-year membership to the AAGL and a 10% discount off your first year of Member Dues. To accept this offer, simply click the membership offer button during your online registration. You will not be charged an additional fee – your Member Dues are built into your non-member registration fee. Please visit www.aagl.org to review the Guide to AAGL Member Benefits.

Cancellation
Cancellations received prior to May 18, 2018 will be refunded minus $125 for administrative fees. No refunds will be made after this date.
In the event that this course is cancelled 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.

Airline Reservations
Star & Shield Travel Services has been appointed as the official travel agent for this workshop. Attendees are able to make reservations on any airline through this agency and their representatives will assist you in obtaining the lowest fare possible for your travel preference and schedule.
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