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Program Description: The Fellowship in Gynecologic Endoscopic Surgery at the University of Illinois at Chicago incorporates a comprehensive clinical and laboratory-based program that engages the entire gamut of operative laparoscopy and hysteroscopy. A high surgical volume is balanced by an active resident physician service and private referral practice that is well recognized throughout the region.

Opportunities for basic research and advanced training in endoscopic surgery are readily available within a newly constructed state-of-the-art multidisciplinary training facility dedicated to minimally invasive surgery. Using this resource, the Fellow will remain actively engaged in the ongoing training of thirty-two resident physicians in the fundamentals of gynecologic endoscopic surgery.

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Program Description: The fellowship experience will encompass a broad range of a general gynecologic surgical practice. Emphasis is on safety and efficiency in endoscopic technique. The fellow will become proficient in total and sub-total laparoscopic hysterectomy techniques, retropubic Burch and paravaginal suspension, culdeplasty and uterosacral ligament colposuspension. In addition the fellow will acquire skills in adnexal surgery including advanced stages of endometriosis, ovarian cystectomy, adhesiolysis and dissection of the lateral pelvic sidewall for exposure of the ureters.

Myomectomy cases are carefully triaged to either open or endoscopic approaches. Hysteroscopic experience will include polypectomy, myomectomy, septal incision and endomyometrial resection/ablation. Experience in cystoscopy, TVT placement, introduction to the uterine cryoablation techniques, as well as basic understanding in the application of laser energy (CO2, KTP) will be available.

The fellow is responsible for preoperative evaluation and postoperative care of all surgical cases. The fellow will have the opportunity to work with three reproductive endocrinologists to acquire additional skills in surgical problems relating to infertility. Office transvaginal sonography and hysteroscopy exposure is available.

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Program Description: This fellowship program focuses on the diagnosis and management of gynecologic disease using the latest in minimally invasive techniques. Pelvic ultrasound is emphasized in diagnosis along with other innovative tools. Laparoscopy and hysteroscopy are the therapeutic options available surgically. The percentage of pathology are as follows: endometriosis 60%, leiomyomata 20%, pelvic floor reconstruction 15%, and oncology 5%. At the end of the program the fellow should be able to perform LAVH, LSH, LH, Lap myomectomy, Lap excision of endometriosis. Lap pelvic floor reconstruction, basic retroperitoneal dissection, hysteroscopic resection/ablation, hysteroscopic myomectomy, and other more basic techniques.

The center performs about 250 minimally invasive major surgical procedures per year and the fellow would be involved in these in addition to seeing a small group or patient on their own. During the year I expect that the fellow will write or participate in 2-3 scholarly papers as well as teaching students and residents that may be visiting in our center. The ancillary faculty members are well known laparoscopic surgeons in the area who may consult on our patients and will be available for educational experiences during the year. This fellowship was the first that was established and accredited by AAGL and for the last 5 years has been successful in training competent gyn endoscopists for work in our communities. The fellowship is sponsored by an educational grant from Ethicon EndoSurgery.

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Program Description: A one-year fellowship consists of intensive training in advanced laparoscopic pelvic reconstructive surgery, different methods of laparoscopic hysterectomy, and infertility surgery. Each fellow will develop skills in laparoscopic Burch, paravaginal repair, sacrocolpopexy, myomectomy, endometriosis ablation, LAVH, TLH, supracervical hysterectomy, uses of surgical mesh, and other advanced procedures. There is extensive clinical training in: multichannel urodynamics, cystoscopy, biofeedback, pelvic floor stimulation, office hysteroscopy, ovulation induction with IUI, pelvic ultrasonography, anal manometry, anal
sonography, pudendal and perineal nerve terminal motor latencies, sacral reflexes and evoked potentials, and pelvic floor EMG testing. If interested, experience in sacral modulation is available. Upon completion, the fellow will have strong clinical skills and training in advanced gynecologic surgery, with an emphasis in advanced laparoscopic pelvic reconstructive surgery.

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Program Description: One year intense academic training program which will focus on minimally invasive surgery. Primary focus is gynecologic endoscopic surgery with multidisciplinary interaction within the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC).

Extensive faculty supervision from both didactic and practical aspects of minimally invasive surgery. Independent research project with mentor. The project expected to be submitted at a national level and published in a peer-reviewed journal. Development of an independent private practice in Women’s health care. Coordinate weekly case review - education conference. Interact with resident staff in a teaching capacity as Junior Faculty. The Fellow will also be integrated into the call schedule.