FELLOWSHIP IN MINIMALLY INVASIVE GYNECOLOGIC SURGERY

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TWO YEAR PROGRAM
### 2-Year Program

**Optional Degrees:**
- [ ] MPH
- [ ] MBA
- [ ] MS
- [ ] Other: None

#### Number of Faculty
- GYN Faculty: 6
- UROGYN Faculty: 3
- REI Faculty: 0
- ONCOLOGY Faculty: 2
- GU Faculty: 0
- General Surgery Faculty: 0
- Colorectal Faculty: 0
- Other: MIGS faculty - 1

**Residency Program Affiliation:** [x] Yes  [ ] No

**Computer Simulation Center:** [x] Yes  [ ] No

#### Training Labs
- [x] Cadaver lab
- [x] Animal Lab
- [ ] None
- [x] Dry Lab
- [x] Robotics

**Office Surgery:** [x] Yes  [ ] No

**Contract/Agreement Letter:** [x] Yes  [ ] No

- Stipend PGY-5 or 6: [x] Yes  [ ] No
- Resident Teaching: [x] Yes  [ ] No
- Benefit Package: [x] Yes  [ ] No
- OB obligation: [ ] Yes  [x] No  If yes, please describe obligation.

- Junior Faculty: [ ] Yes  [x] No
- Moonlighting: [ ] Yes  [x] No
- Malpractice: [ ] Yes  [x] No
- Attending Privileges: [x] Yes  [ ] No
- Non-compete clause: [ ] Yes  [x] No
- Meeting support: [x] Yes  [ ] No
- Malpractice tail coverage: [x] Yes  [ ] No
- Other coverage obligations- specify:

**Accept J1 & H1Visa applicants:** [x] Yes  [ ] No

**Dedicated Research Hours:**
- Hours/week: 1 month each year
- Hours/month: 

**Protected Academic:**
- Hours/week: 4
- Hours/month: 

#### Clinical Focus/Special Interest
- [x] Reproductive Surgery
- [x] Oncology
- [x] Endometriosis/Pelvic Pain
- [x] Pelvic Reconstruction
- [x] Robotic Surgery
- [x] Pediatric/Adolescent
- [x] Hysteroscopic Surgery
- [x] Other: Vaginal surgery
Description of Practice:

The fellowship program at Mayo Clinic Arizona is a rigorous, comprehensive academic, clinical and surgical training program designed for the fellow who wants to be a well-rounded pelvic surgeon. The faculty includes five fellowship-trained surgeons who are deeply committed to a minimally invasive surgical practice and to advancement of the field. The fellow will be exposed to a large volume of surgeries in all aspects of MIS - hysteroscopic, vaginal, laparoscopic and robotic techniques – performed for simple and advanced benign conditions, urogynecology and gynecologic oncology. The program includes coursework in biostatistics and clinical research allowing for a solid foundation for an academic career. At the end of two years, the fellow will be expected to complete at least one research thesis project that will be submitted for presentation at a national society meeting and publication in a peer-reviewed journal. Fellows will participate actively in teaching at the department and presenting at national CME conferences.

Learning Experience:

1. Conferences: departmental conferences covering all aspects of gynecologic conditions and surgery will be provided on a weekly basis. Journal club and quality reviews are conducted regularly. Perioperative and research update conferences are held biweekly, and Chronic Pelvic Pain Multidisciplinary group meets monthly. Tumor board is also held biweekly.

2. Clinical and surgical: Fellows will rotate quarterly through each service working one-on-one with the consultants in surgery and clinic. Fellows will see patients in clinic independently with the surgical consultants readily available for guidance and direction. The MIGS Fellow will take home call, rotating with other fellows. There are no OB duties.

3. Research: In addition to participating in ongoing research studies in the department, the trainee is expected to conduct an independent research project. A research mentor will guide the trainee through all aspects of research conduct in order to submit their work for presentation at a national society meeting and publication in a peer-reviewed journal. The fellow will have access to all Mayo AZ resources (library, AV, biostatistics, editing and publications) for a productive research experience.

4. Simulation wet and dry lab: Fellow has access to a dry lab with pelvic trainers for laparoscopic suturing skills and to the robotic simulation system. In addition, an annual laparoscopic dissection with cadavers is conducted to master pelvic anatomy and become proficient in techniques to dissect retroperitoneal anatomy.