

Fellowship Program Name: Albert Einstein College of Medicine/Montefiore Medical Center

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Description:

The Montefiore Medical Center/Albert Einstein College of Medicine offers an ACGME-accredited fellowship (OB/GYN three-year, Urology: two-year) in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery. This training program prepares fellows with a comprehensive training experience in the treatment and understanding of female pelvic floor disorders. The emphasis on education and training fosters development in academic medicine.

The Montefiore Medical Complex, located in Bronx, NY, constitutes the major health resource for approximately 1.5 million residents. The Albert Einstein College of Medicine is the affiliated medical college for our fellowship. Our program is a combined program with gynecology and urology and offers training to both OB/GYN and Urology residents. In 2019 the Pelvic Floor Center at Montefiore opened and now provides a patient-centered, multi-disciplinary approach to caring for women with pelvic floor disorders (PFD). The fellowship program plays an important role in the Pelvic Floor Center and exists in an academic setting in which evidence-based approaches to medical care are emphasized and promoted. Our program focuses on Laparoscopic, Robotic, and Vaginal surgeries for the treatment for pelvic floor disorders, complex urogenital reconstruction, and gender assignment surgery.

The FPMRS Program is a training program that provides diverse clinical experience, with an emphasis on research. Fellows train closely with a core faculty of urogynecologists and female urologists. During the course of fellowship, the fellows interact with colorectal surgery and PM&R. The fellows have a 9-month block of protected research time during which they are mentored by Dr. Sylvia Suadicani and gain experience in translational research. Fellows play an important role in training residents and medical students. However, the primary emphasis is on fellowship education with formal course training in the basic science research and required

attendance at relevant national meetings and conferences. Training is adequately flexible to allow pursuit of individual interests and projects, as designed by the fellow and faculty in conjunction with the program director.

There is a departmental and divisional commitment to foster the growth and development of competent and qualified fellows who will become the future subspecialty leaders and educators in FPMRS. Additional information can be found at <https://einsteinmed.edu/departments/obgyn/divisions/female-pelvic-medicine/fellowship/>

Urogynecology Faculty: Ava Leegant, MD; Renee Rolston, MD; Priyanka Halani, MD

Female Urology Faculty: Nitya Abraham, MD; Melissa Laudano, MD; Yvette Duchein NP

Colorectal Faculty: Rebecca Levine, MD; Renee Huang, MD

Research Faculty: Basics Science: Sylvia Suadiciani Ph.D.; Clinical Research: Priyanka Halani, MD; Melissa Laudano, MD

Program Length: 3 years OBGYN Resident 2 years Urology Resident

Application Process: ERAS

Requirements: Completion of ACGME approved Residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology or Urology residency.

Number of Fellows: 3