

The Christ Hospital

Fellowship Program Name: The Christ Hospital Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery

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Description:

The fellowship training program in FPMRS at The Christ Hospital is a comprehensive multidisciplinary training program accredited by ACGME. The goal of our program is to train physicians interested in pursuing a career in academic medicine. Clinical and surgical experience includes how best to evaluate and manage patients with a variety of pelvic floor disorders including urinary and defactory dysfunction, pelvic organ prolapse, sexual dysfunction, and complicated urologic and colorectal problems. Our program has a strong emphasis on research and collaboration with a variety of other disciplines including urology, colorectal surgery, gynecology, G.I., physical therapy, and plastic surgery. The urogynecology service at both campuses is well established and receives a large number of complex referrals from a large geographic area. A full compliment of diagnostic modalities including video urodynamics, colorectal imaging, anal manometry, and endoanal ultrasound are all available and housed in a center at the Christ Hospital dedicated to the evaluation of female pelvic floor disorders. Fellows receive hands-on training on all diagnostic modalities and learn how to perform pelvic floor rehabilitation. Surgical volume is extensive and provides a breadth of experience with traditional vaginal surgery, laparoscopy, and robotic procedures, as well as reconstructive procedures of the lower urinary and gastrointestinal tract.

Program Length: 3 years

Number of Fellows: 1 per year

Urogynecology Faculty: Mickey Karram, MD; James Whiteside, MD; and Aparna Shah, MD

Colorectal Faculty: Bradley Davis, MD; Martha Ferguson, MD, Janice Rafferty, MD;

Urology Faculty: Ayman Mahdy, MD

General Gynecology & Minimally Invasive Surgery Faculty: Marcia Bowling, MD, Michael Karram, MD, and James Wendel, MD

Physical Therapy Faculty: Kathleen Novicki

Research Faculty: James Whiteside, MD

Application Process: ERAS application. Please also include three letters of recommendation and a current photo.