University of South Florida/Tampa General Hospital

Fellowship Program Name: Female Pelvic Medicine & Reconstructive Surgery

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**Description:** The FPMRS program at the University of South Florida is a 3 year fellowship program accredited through the American Board of Obstetrics & Gynecology / American Board of Urology. The program strives to produce highly skilled graduates, capable of assuming leadership roles in the field of academic FPMRS. Fellows receive both didactic training and hands-on clinical experience in the office, and surgical suite settings, with increasing responsibilities over the course of their training. Fellows participate actively in caring for Urogynecologic, Urologic, and Colorectal patients with routine and complex clinical conditions, in a collaborative environment. Fellows are exposed to a very large number of in- and out-patient surgical opportunities, including Robotic, Laparoscopic, Transvaginal, and Open approaches. Office exposure includes new and existing patient evaluations, office urodynamics and cystoscopy, as well as interpretation of imaging studies including 4D ultrasound and MRI studies. All fellow activity is supervised by one of our clinical faculty, with the intention of ensuring that fellows master the routine and fine points of all aspects of surgical and officeurogynecology. Fellows also receive hands-on training in performing basic science, clinical, and translational research, and have access to a large collection of clinical patient data, as well as numerous imaging studies performed for urogynecologic indications. The research curriculum and experience have sufficient flexibility to accommodate different levels of interest and expertise among individual fellows. Training and experience in basic science research is available in the laboratory of Dr. John Tsibris, and our fellows also have access to the vast imaging laboratories of Dr. Don Hilbelink, one of the pioneers of the visible human project. Our group is involved with MRI based 3D reconstruction studies, designed in collaboration with our USF college of engineering, to evaluate the impact of childbirth on the pelvic floor structures, and to evaluate the effect of different surgical approaches in the treatment of complex pelvic organ prolapse. Didactic training in clinical research includes participation in the institution's educational program in clinical research design in the College of Public Health. Fellows are encouraged to develop skills in writing grant proposals for internal and external (federal and private) funding. Fellows are expected to produce at least one peer reviewed publication in one of the areas related to FPMRS, in addition to an acceptable required research thesis in an FPMRS area of their choosing. Our fellows rotate at the following locations: Tampa General Hospital, USF Health South Tampa Center clinic (Davis Island), USF Carol and Frank Morsani Center for Advanced Health Care (North Campus).

The FPMRS, Urology, Colorectal, and GYN ultrasound clinics provide a convenient setting for the fellows' clinical and educational experience. Specialists in FPMRS, Urology, Gynecologic Oncology, and General OB/GYN practice in close proximity. This close relationship facilitates performance of clinical research by concentrating potential subjects and research personnel in the same location. On the FPMRS rotation, in clinic and surgery, our fellows learn how to do urodynamics, cystoscopy, robotics training, and pelvic floor physical therapy. Here is the link to more information: <a href="http://health.usf.edu/medicine/obgyn/fellowships/pelvic\_med.htm">http://health.usf.edu/medicine/obgyn/fellowships/pelvic\_med.htm</a>

**Program Length:** 3 years

Number of Fellows: 1 per year

ABOG Accreditation since 2011; ACGME Accreditation since 2012

**Faculty:** 

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