

# PA Surgical Residency Now Available

The UF Department of Surgery has a long tradition of training outstanding clinical surgeons and leaders in academic surgery. Now, we have created the first post graduate Physician Assistant Surgical Residency Program in the Southeast.

**OUR AIM:** Our program provides an education and nurturing environment to educate and enable Physician Assistants in providing care for the most complex surgical patients.

**OUR MISSION:** Our program is dedicated to innovation and the future of medicine by creating proficient and dedicated Physician Assistants capable of administering exceptional patient care in the surgical environment.

Our PA Surgical Residency Program is available for up to four residents for a 12-month period. Each resident will rotate on each of the following clinical services:

- ✦ Colorectal Surgery
- ✦ Cardiothoracic Surgery
- ✦ Acute Care Surgery
- ✦ Critical Care Surgery
- ✦ Burn Surgery
- ✦ Vascular Surgery
- ✦ Pancreas and Biliary Surgery
- ✦ Pediatric Surgery
- ✦ Breast, Melanoma, Sarcoma, and Endocrine Surgery
- ✦ Transplant Surgery
- ✦ Elective Rotation (choose from Plastic Surgery, Neurosurgery, ENT, Urology)

Residents will attend weekly education sessions (general and service specific) and the service specific preoperative conference. They will also participate in simulation activities, including:

- ✦ Introduction to surgical instruments and knot tying
- ✦ Wound V.A.C. Placement
- ✦ Suture Lab
- ✦ Intestinal Anastomosis
- ✦ FLS (Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery) Skills
- ✦ Vascular Anastomosis
- ✦ CVL (Central Venous Line) Placement
- ✦ FAST (Focused Assessment with Sonography in Trauma) Examination
- ✦ Ortho Casting and Splinting Workshop
- ✦ ACLS Code Protocols with Simulation
- ✦ Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy Workshop
- ✦ Laparoscopic Anastomosis Workshop
- ✦ Wet Lab (Porcine Model)

## Certification:

Every PA Surgical Resident will be provided ATLS and ACLS certification upon completion of their PA Residency.

For more information, please contact the Program Coordinator, Adela Van Antwerp at (352)594-5118 or [adela.vanantwerp@surgery.ufl.edu](mailto:adela.vanantwerp@surgery.ufl.edu). To apply to our program, please visit the program website at <https://surgery.med.ufl.edu/education/pa-surgical-residency/>