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**MONTEFIORE MEDICAL CENTER
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TWO YEAR PROGRAM



<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2-Year Program		<input type="checkbox"/> 3-Year Program	
Optional Degrees: <input type="checkbox"/> MPH <input type="checkbox"/> MBA <input type="checkbox"/> MS <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None			
Number of Faculty:			
	GYN Faculty: 7	UROGYN Faculty: 3	
	REI Faculty: 3	ONCOLOGY Faculty: 3	
	GU Faculty: 1	General Surgery Faculty: 3	
	Colorectal Faculty: 1	Other:	
Residency Program Affiliation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Computer Simulation Center: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Training Labs:			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cadaver lab	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Animal Lab	<input type="checkbox"/> None
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dry Lab	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robotics	
Office Surgery: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Contract/Agreement Letter: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
	Stipend PGY-5 or 6: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
	Resident Teaching <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
	Benefit Package: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
	OB obligation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, please describe obligation. 1 call per month	
	Junior Faculty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Attending Privileges	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Moonlighting: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Non-compete clause:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	Malpractice: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Meeting support:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Malpractice tail coverage: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Other coverage obligations- specify: 2-3 gynecology calls per month One week per month gynecology service coverage (8-5pm)	
Accept J1 Visa applicants <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Accept H1Visa applicants <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
Dedicated Research Hours: Hours/per week: 4 (10%) Hours/per month: 16			
Protected Academic: Hours/per week: 4 Hours/per month: 16			
Clinical Focus/Special Interest:			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reproductive Surgery	<input type="checkbox"/> Oncology	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Endometriosis/Pelvic Pain	<input type="checkbox"/> Pelvic Reconstruction	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robotic Surgery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pediatric/Adolescent	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hysteroscopic Surgery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Simulation, Ultrasound	

Description of Program:

The fellowship in Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery at Albert Einstein College of Medicine / Montefiore Medical Center is a comprehensive, two-year, academic fellowship. Montefiore Medical Center is one of the largest healthcare systems in New York and is the largest in the Bronx. The department of Obstetrics & Gynecology and Women's Health currently offers fellowships in all the major subspecialties of OB/GYN and is one of the largest residency programs in the U.S. (46 residents). The close affiliation with the other divisions of OB/GYN as well as the other departments of the medical center and medical school creates a large resource pool for an expansive academic and clinical experience for fellows. We aim to provide high quality, advanced minimally invasive care to all women in our diverse community. Our community, and the individuals we serve, is our program's greatest asset.

This fellowship is geared towards individuals interested in developing proficiency in advanced gynecologic surgery as well as advancing their academic aptitude. We are looking to help create great surgical educators, skilled surgeons and leaders in our field. Clinical activities and training cover the full gamut of laparoscopic, robotic, vaginal, and hysteroscopic procedures. By the end of the fellowship the fellows will also demonstrate proficiency in office hysteroscopy both diagnostic and operative. The fellows will also have scheduled training in performing and interpreting ultrasound including saline infusion sonography.

The fellows will gain experience in treating patients with enlarged fibroid uteruses, adenomyosis, endometriosis as well as those patients that have complex medical and surgical comorbidities. The fellowship experience at Montefiore includes education in the office evaluation, ongoing care and surgical care of chronic pelvic pain. We treat our patients in collaboration with Pain Management, Gastroenterology, Colorectal surgery, Physical Therapy, Urology and Urogynecology and aim to have our fellows gain familiarity with screening patients for appropriate referrals but to also know the basics of the common chronic overlapping pain conditions that can affect individuals dealing with chronic pelvic pain. There are scheduled interdisciplinary didactics in chronic pain as well.

Aside from the operative experiences, the fellow will be involved in the educational activities of the residents. They will help precept in the simulation and animal laboratory and will give didactic sessions. Our fellows have full privileges as a junior faculty member. They act as service attending on the inpatient gynecology service, learning to lead a team, manage their learners educational goals and patient care. This is with supervision from MIGS faculty as needed but provides ample growth for the fellows to transition to their role as an attending physician. The fellows also take appropriate level cases to the operating room as needed during their service coverage and on call requirements.

Requirements of the fellowship include successful completion of a biostatistics course and performance of original research that will culminate in publication in a peer-reviewed journal.