



*Accreditation Period: 2023-2026*

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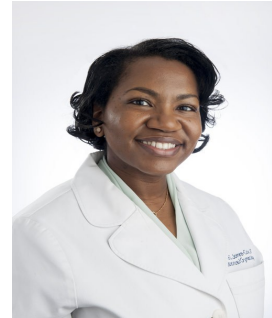
**WALTER REED NATIONAL MILITARY MEDICAL CENTER  
BETHESDA, MARYLAND &  
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**TWO YEAR PROGRAM**

**Accepting active duty military and civilian  
applications for 2026 start date.**

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2-Year Program			
<b>Optional Degrees:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> MPH <input type="checkbox"/> MBA <input type="checkbox"/> MS <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None			
<b>Number of Faculty</b>			
	GYN Faculty: 5	UROGYN Faculty: 1	
	REI Faculty: 1	ONCOLOGY Faculty: 1	
	GU Faculty:	General Surgery Faculty:	
	Colorectal Faculty:	Other:	
<b>Residency Program Affiliation:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
<b>Computer Simulation Center:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
<b>Training Labs</b>			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cadaver lab	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Animal Lab	<input type="checkbox"/> None
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<b>Contract/Agreement Letter:</b> <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. Labar & Delivery call coverage, approx 6-8 shifts / year
	Junior Faculty:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Attending Privileges: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Moonlighting:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" 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:
<b>Accept J1 &amp; H1Visa applicants</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
<b>Dedicated Research Hours:</b> Hours/per week: 4-8/wk depending on rotation Hours/per month: 31/mo			
<b>Protected Academic:</b> Hours/per week: 2-4/wk Hours/per month: 16/mo			
<b>Clinical Focus/Special Interest</b>			
	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> Pediatric/Adolescent	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hysteroscopic Surgery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Tubal Reanastomosis	

## **Description of Program:**

The National Capital Consortium (NCC) Fellowship in Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery (MIGS) is a 2-year academic fellowship that incorporates clinical, research, and teaching responsibilities at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center and Inova Health System. The program is affiliated with the Academic accreditation of the Uniformed Services University. The comprehensive goal of the NCC Fellowship is to train academic fellows who are outstanding clinicians, teachers, and research contributors. The clinical educational objective of the training program is to provide fellows with the necessary knowledge, skills and experience to independently manage complex gynecologic patients that may benefit from advanced endoscopic procedures. The overall goals of the fellowship program are to train highly skilled physicians in minimally invasive surgery who will: 1) improve the quality of care for women, 2) expand the knowledge in the field through basic science and clinical research, and 3) develop into scholarly educators and leaders in Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery. For the first time in 2025 the program will be accepting civilian applications to start in August 2026.

Fellows will actively participate in all aspects of in-patient and out-patient care of patients seen by the MIGS faculty. The surgical experience during this fellowship is “hands-on”, and fellows actively participate in all surgical cases performed by the MIGS faculty as either the First Assistant or Primary Surgeon. Types of procedures that the fellow is expected to master include but is not limited to the following: total laparoscopic hysterectomy, robot-assisted hysterectomy, vaginal natural orifice transluminal endoscopic surgery, robotic & laparoscopic myomectomy, robotic & laparoscopic excision of advanced endometriosis, robotic & laparoscopic ovarian cystectomy and adnexectomy, lysis of adhesions, excision of ovarian remnants, robotic & laparoscopic bilateral tubal anastomosis, advanced operative hysteroscopy with resection of submucosal fibroids, uterine septum, and intrauterine adhesions, and cystoscopy. Mini-laparotomy for abdominal myomectomy and hysterectomy, as well as vaginal hysterectomy are also emphasized.

In addition to time spent in the operating room, fellows will further refine their skills in surgical simulation labs and cadaver labs done jointly with the NCC Residency in Gynecologic Surgery and Obstetrics. Each fellow will be provided resources and experience to develop academic skills. Specific objectives for the teaching and research curriculum include the following: 1) ability to use appropriate methods and educational aids to teach medical students, residents, and allied health care professionals in clinical or classroom environments, 2) sufficient understanding and proficiency to complete clinical and/or health-services research projects, in addition to development of collaborative skills with others that foster ongoing research activities, 3) ability to write scientific articles, and grant applications and to contribute in an academic setting

The second clinical site for the MIGS Fellowship is located with Inova Health System in Alexandria and Fairfax, VA under the preceptorship of Dr. Cherie Marfori, MD. WRNMMC and IHS are located approximately 30 minutes from each other. The ISH clinical practice consists of an excellent variety of patient’s requiring advanced laparoscopic and robotic-assisted laparoscopic approaches to complex gynecological problems. Both sites allow for the fellow to interact with and be an educator of both OB/GYN residents and medical students, further facilitating the growth of the fellow as a surgeon educator.

Specifically, the NCC-MIGS fellowship consists of two years of clinical training that is divided between WRNMMC and IHS. Both institutions have strong academic backgrounds and large diverse clinical populations with requirements for minimally invasive gynecologic surgery. Research will focus on clinical research primarily at WRNMMC, with contributions from IHS as opportunities arise, and possibly, basic science research as applied to minimally invasive gynecologic surgery in the basic science divisions of OB/GYN at USUHS or the NIH.