Vision for the AAGL

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It is an honor to be considered for a role in shaping the future of the AAGL, a society that has not only advanced our field but also cultivated a global community of surgeons united in the mission to improve the lives of women. My vision builds on this foundation, centered around three priorities: leading innovation, expanding access, and empowering the next generation of surgical leaders.

1. Driving Innovation

Innovation is the cornerstone of progress in surgery. AAGL should continue to lead in integrating emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence (AI), robotics, fluorescence-guided surgery, and 3D anatomical modeling into clinical practice. AI, in particular, offers transformative potential for personalized surgical feedback, radiologic imaging integration, and education. My goal is to ensure that new technologies are encouraged but also rigorously studied, ethically implemented, and ultimately leveraged to improve outcomes for patients.

2. Expanding Access Globally

Every woman deserves access to high-quality gynecologic surgical care. AAGL is uniquely positioned to broaden its global impact by strengthening international partnerships, developing scalable training models for low-resource settings, and harnessing technology to deliver education and mentorship across borders. Together, we can create sustainable improvements in women's health worldwide.

3. Supporting the Surgical Community

The strength of our field lies in our people. From trainees to seasoned surgeons, we must invest in the growth, confidence, and well-being of our community. I am committed to expanding opportunities for mentorship, hands-on training, and professional development to ensure that every member of AAGL feels supported.

In short, I envision an AAGL that continues to set the standard for excellence in complex benign and minimally invasive gynecologic surgery while also being a collaborative and forward-thinking society that connects, educates, and inspires.

Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to this incredible community.