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## NORTH SHORE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL MANHASSET, NEW YORK

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### **TWO YEAR PROGRAM**

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2-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: 9	UROGYN Faculty: 2
	REI Faculty:	ONCOLOGY Faculty: 1
	GU Faculty:	General Surgery Faculty: 1
	Colorectal Faculty: 1	Other: 1
Residency Program Affiliation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Computer Simulation Center: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Training Labs		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cadaver lab	<input 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 <sup>st</sup> year: 2 in-house calls/month 2 <sup>nd</sup> year: 1 in-house call/month
	Junior Faculty: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input 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: Gyn clinic
Accept J1 & H1Visa applicants <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Dedicated Research Hours: Hours/per week: 4 Hours/per month: 16		
Protected Academic: Hours/per week: 3 Hours/per month: 12		
Clinical Focus/Special Interest		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reproductive Surgery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oncology
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Endometriosis/Pelvic Pain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pelvic Reconstruction
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robotic Surgery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pediatric/Adolescent
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hysteroscopic Surgery	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

## **Program Description:**

**The Complex Benign Gynecology Fellowship at North Shore Hospital** with central location in Manhasset, NY provides an extensive breadth of surgical and clinical instruction, encompassing the full spectrum of benign gynecologic surgery. Our highly skilled surgical team specializes in treating and managing conditions such as endometriosis, adenomyosis, chronic pelvic pain, infertility, uterine fibroids, uterine anomalies, and abnormal uterine bleeding.

North Shore University Hospital is the primary training site and is designated a Center of Excellence in both minimally invasive gynecologic surgery and robotic surgery; it is also nationally ranked in 10 adult specialties by *U.S. News & World Report*. Fellows rotate through additional institutions across the health system that are recognized as Centers of Excellence, several of which are also nationally ranked by *U.S. News & World Report*.

The program features both conventional laparoscopy and advanced robotic techniques and is designed to provide Ob/Gyn residency graduates with advanced training in the surgical and medical management of benign gynecologic conditions. Fellows gain hands-on experience with a full complement of FDA-approved technologies, including transcervical fibroid ablation, laparoscopic radiofrequency fibroid ablation, the vNOTES platform, mechanical hysteroscopic morcellation and robotic surgical systems. North Shore has been a leader in advanced laparoscopic and hysteroscopic surgery for nearly two decades, and the CBG Fellowship was among the first robotic surgery fellowships in the region.

The fellows are integrated into the residency training schedule where they serve as didactic lecturers and simulation instructors at the Bioskills Education Center, Northwell Health's surgical education facility. In addition, the fellows are provided ample time to complete required research endeavors and present their work at regional and national meetings, while developing leadership skills in quality improvement and surgical education.

## **Fellowship highlights:**

- High-volume, high-acuity clinical training with extensive operative exposure across a broad range of benign gynecologic procedures, in one of the Northeast's most surgically diverse programs
- Fellow-run clinic where fellows manage patients longitudinally—from perioperative planning through the operative case and postoperative follow-up—supporting continuity of care and sustained patient relationships
- Off service rotations with Urology, Urogynecology, Colorectal Surgery, and Pain Management
- Dedicated, protected research time with access to the Feinstein Institutes for Medical Research and Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, working alongside leaders in bench and translational research
- Teaching opportunities through Grand Rounds presentations and resident didactic lectures
- Convenient access to New York City-based women's health conferences, CME offerings and professional events
- Access to the Bioskills Education Center, including hands-on training with the da Vinci robotic surgical system
- Dedicated didactic time for lectures, journal club, and case-focused conferences on endometriosis and fibroids