

Roadmap for the Gynecologic Surgeon: A HANDS-ON COURSE FOCUSED ON MINIMALLY INVASIVE PELVIC SURGERY

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

The Roadmap for the Gynecologic Surgeon: A Hands-On Course Focused on Minimally Invasive Pelvic Surgery will provide an in-depth review of the latest information and techniques in gynecologic laparoscopic surgery. It is designed for clinicians who desire to advance their laparoscopic skills, improve dexterity with instrumentation and suturing, and apply these skills to perform more advanced gynecologic laparoscopic surgeries in their practices.

This comprehensive conference offers hands on experience with energy sources in addition to laparoscopic instrumentation and suturing techniques. Participants will learn and practice these basic and advanced laparoscopic skills and techniques using laparoscopic trainers, computer simulators and cadavers. The course will also feature video streaming of live surgical procedures with moderated discussion.

The hands-on labs will be instructed and moderated by experienced faculty currently using these devices and techniques in their practices. Furthermore, a variety of surgical videos and other information integral to this unique conference will be made available to participants.

STATEMENT OF NEED

Gynecologic laparoscopy is an elegant technique that has evolved into a major surgical tool used to treat a multitude of gynecologic indications; however, adequate experience in performing a variety of procedures cannot be overemphasized. Physician surgeons must master multiple techniques and procedures and know exactly when a situation requires an alternate technique or maneuver. Gynecologic laparoscopists must also be clear about optimal conditions for surgery and patient selection to ensure safe and effective procedures while minimizing surgical complications.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This educational activity is intended for OB/Gyn physicians, gynecologic surgeons, and OB/Gyn residents and fellows.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- **Practice** the skills and techniques necessary to perform basic and more advanced gynecologic laparoscopic surgery.
- **Apply** the principles of robotic surgery and its implications in candidate selection, laparoscopic procedures, and problem-solving specific to complex devices.
- **Compare and contrast** the perceptual differences between traditional laparotomic surgery and minimally invasive laparoscopic surgery as it relates to pelvic anatomy.
- **Perform** laparoscopic suturing and knot tying, two skills that when used in a proficient manner, can allow surgeons to perform most laparoscopic procedures and appropriately manage specific complications when they occur.
- **Identify** methods to avoid laparoscopic complications and manage them should they occur.
- **Recall** and be able to utilize the steps involved in performing a laparoscopic hysterectomy/myomectomy.
- **Recognize** the principles of electrosurgery and apply appropriate techniques in laparoscopic surgery.

ACCREDITATION

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

CREDIT DESIGNATION

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center designates this educational activity for a maximum of 24.75 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COMMERCIAL SUPPORT

Commercial support for this conference is pending. Additional commercial support, including in-kind equipment contributions, is pending and will be disclosed at the conference.

INTERACTIVE EXPERIENCE

Conference participants are welcomed to bring in their own iPads, iPhones, Droids, and laptops and have the opportunity to view presenter bios, conference presentations, surgical videos, and additional links and resources. For those conference participants interested in purchasing an iPad, please contact the Office of CME at (310) 423-4635.

HERE'S WHAT PARTICIPANTS SAID ABOUT OUR PREVIOUS CONFERENCE

"The conference really enhanced my ability in tying sutures laparoscopically and selecting adequate patients for laparoscopic myomectomy."

"After thirty years of private practice, it's refreshing to have a course where you not only learn a lot but a course that changes the way you practice gynecology. The hands-on approach by the physicians involved in this course guided me in such a way that I can utilize the skills presented and actually change the course of my practice."

"A great course, well organized with friendly knowledgeable faculty who presented information that would be good for every practicing gynecologist."

"The course was excellent. I thoroughly enjoyed it. It was definitely worth my time and significantly improved my practice and the number of laparoscopic cases."



AGENDA

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2013
LOCATION: CEDARS-SINAI MEDICAL CENTER

ESSENTIALS OF PELVIC SURGERY

7:00 AM	Registration and Continental Breakfast	
7:25	Introduction and Overview	<i>M. Jonathon Solnik, MD</i>
7:30	The Fundamentals of Pelvic Anatomy	<i>Sony Singh, MD</i>
8:15	Electrosurgery: Arm Yourself with the Right Tools	<i>Larry Glazerman, MD</i>
9:00	Tricks for Implementing Laparoscopic Suturing	<i>Craig J. Sobolewski, MD</i>
10:00	Break	
10:15	Hands On: Energy Sources, Morcellators and Video Trainers	
12:00 PM	Lunch	
1:00	The Almighty Laparoscopic Hysterectomy	<i>Malcolm G. Munro, MD</i>
2:00	Robotic Applications for the Gynecologic Surgeon	<i>M. Jonathon Solnik, MD</i>
3:00	Break	
3:15	Avoiding & Managing Surgical Complications	<i>William H. Parker, MD</i>
4:15	Hands-On: Laparoscopic Trainers and Simulators	
6:15 PM	Conference Adjourns	

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2013
LOCATION: SLS HOTEL, BEVERLY HILLS

LAPAROSCOPIC & VAGINAL PROCEDURES

7:00 AM	Registration and Continental Breakfast	
7:30	Retroperitoneal Dissection for Treating Endometriosis	<i>Ted Lee, MD</i>
8:30	Laparoscopic Management of the Adnexal Mass	<i>Sony Singh, MD</i>
9:30	Break & Clothes Change	
9:45	Hands On: Cadaveric Workshop I/Laparoscopy	
12:30 PM	Lunch	
1:30	Vaginal Support Must Do's	<i>Stuart Hart, MD</i>
2:30	Slings and Things	<i>Michael Tahery, MD</i>
3:00	Hands On: Cadaveric Workshop II/Vaginal Dissection	
5:30 PM	Conference Adjourns	

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2013
LOCATION: CEDARS-SINAI MEDICAL CENTER

LIVE TELESURGERY

7:00 AM Registration and Continental Breakfast

7:30 Tricks and Trends for Minimally Invasive Myomectomy

M. Jonathon Solnik, MD

8:15 Live Telesurgery (Robotics)

12:00 PM Conference Adjourns

