


# *Essential Skills for Surgical Practice:* A PRIMER FOR RESIDENTS



## **Learn about:**

- Job-Seeking Strategies
- Personal Financial Planning
- Negotiation Skills
- Liability Risk Reduction






This year's Surgery Resident Program is entitled "Essential Skills for Surgical Practice: A Primer for Residents."

Sponsored by the American College of Surgeons Division of Education, this special one-day program will be held in conjunction with Clinical Congress. The program is specifically designed to assist surgery residents with essential nonclinical issues they face during residency training and the transitional period to their posttraining career. Featured topics will include personal financial planning and debt management, job-seeking strategies and negotiation skills, and reduction of liability risks.

In addition to participating in these special activities, residents will be encouraged to attend other sessions presented during Clinical Congress, including panel sessions, Surgical Forum presentations, video sessions, and scientific and technical exhibits. This program is free of charge for all registrants at Clinical Congress.



10:00–10:10 am

## Welcome and Introductory Remarks

**Thomas V. Whalen, MD, MMM, FACS**

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**Ajit K. Sachdeva, MD, FACS, FRCSC**

DIRECTOR  
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**Gayle E. Woodson, MD, FACS**

CHAIR, ACS COMMITTEE ON RESIDENT EDUCATION  
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE  
SPRINGFIELD, IL

10:10–11:00 am

## Positively Change Your Liability Equation: Prepare for the Future!

**James W. Saxton, Esq.**

CHAIR, STEVENS & LEE HEALTH CARE  
LITIGATION GROUP  
LANCASTER, PA

11:00–11:45 am

## Strategies for Financial and Personal Success

**Ralph Broadwater, MD, CFP, FACS**

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES  
LITTLE ROCK, AR

11:45 am–12:30 pm

## Negotiating Your First Contract

**Raymond L. Singer, MD, FACS**

LEHIGH VALLEY HOSPITAL AND HEALTH NETWORK  
ALLENTOWN, PA

# WASHINGTON, DC

12:30–1:15 pm

## Lunch and Interaction with Faculty

1:15–2:15 pm

## Techniques and Tools for Training, Practice and Work/Life Balance

**Patricia Turner, MD, FACS**

MEMBER, ACS YOUNG FELLOWS ASSOCIATION  
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND  
BALTIMORE, MD

2:15–2:45 pm

## Transitioning to the Next Level: Life after Residency

**L. D. Britt, MD, MPH, FACS**

PRESIDENT, AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS  
EASTERN VIRGINIA MEDICAL SCHOOL  
NORFOLK, VA

2:45–3:50 pm

## Tips on Looking for a Job

**Roger G. Bonds, MBA, CMSR, FMSD**

PRESIDENT, NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PHYSICIAN CAREER  
DEVELOPMENT  
ATLANTA, GA

3:50–4:00 pm

## Closing Remarks

**Thomas V. Whalen, MD, MMM, FACS**

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# Registration

To participate in the Surgery Resident Program, you must register by Friday, September 10, 2010. Early registration is recommended, as space is limited. To register, go to <http://www.facs.org/clincon2010/registration/index.html>.

For additional information regarding the Surgery Resident Program, please contact Ms. CherylInn Sherman, Division of Education, American College of Surgeons, 633 N. Saint Clair St., Chicago, IL 60611. Phone: 312-202-5424 or e-mail: [csherman@facs.org](mailto:csherman@facs.org).

## American College of Surgeons Clinical Congress

The Clinical Congress is an annual five-day meeting in October, featuring hundreds of hours of educational sessions and activities for general and specialty surgeons. The meeting is generally attended by approximately 8,000 physicians, with 15,000 participants overall. Scientific events include named lectures, panel sessions, scientific paper presentations, surgical forums, and video-based education sessions. Technical and scientific exhibits complement the other activities.

### Selected session titles include:

- **Improving Patient Safety and Decreasing Error during the Handoff of Surgical Patients**
- **Duty Hour Restrictions for Surgical Residents: Impact on Patients, Residents, and Faculty**
- **Resident and Associate Society Symposium 2010: A Great Debate "Do More Requirements Make a Better Surgeon?"**
- **Spectacular Cases from Residents**
- **Surgical Jeopardy**
- **Pregnancy during a Surgical Career: Strategies for Making It Work in Residency, Academics, and Private Practice**

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