
Stanley W. Ashley, MD, FACS, named *ACS Surgery* Editor

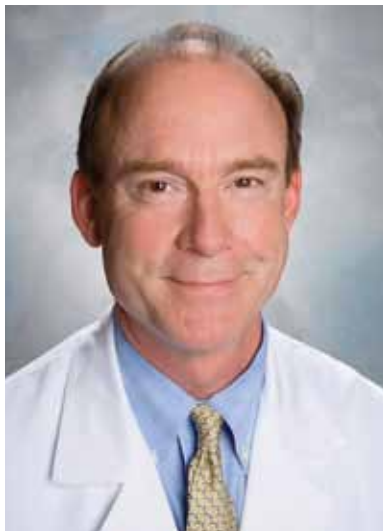
Stanley W. Ashley, MD, FACS, has been named as the new Editor-in-Chief of *ACS Surgery Principles & Practice*, an official publication of the American College of Surgeons.

As the new Editor-in-Chief, Dr. Ashley brings experience and vision to *ACS Surgery*. "The opportunity to adapt *ACS Surgery* to the evolving needs of surgical residents and practicing surgeons is extremely exciting to me," Dr. Ashley said.

Dr. Ashley is the Frank Sawyer Professor, vice-chairman of the department of surgery, and program director of the general surgery residency program at Brigham and Women's Hospital/Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA. He is also chief of general surgery for Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates.

Dr. Ashley is a gastrointestinal surgeon whose primary interests are diseases of the pancreas and inflammatory bowel disease. His research, which has been funded by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs and the National Institutes of Health, has examined the pathophysiology of small bowel and pancreas.

An author of more than 200 journal articles, Dr. Ashley serves on numerous editorial boards, including the *Journal of the American College of Surgeons*, the *Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery*, and *Current Problems in Surgery*. He is a director of the American Board



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of Surgery and member of the Board of Trustees of the Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract.

"Dr. Ashley will be a wonderful new editor of *ACS Surgery*, who will build on the outstanding work Wiley W. Souba, MD, FACS, did in transitioning the original loose-leaf work into the modern era. Dr. Ashley will continue that trend by taking this excellent educational product to the next level," ACS Executive Director Thomas R. Russell, MD, FACS, said.

In addition to many other changes, Dr. Ashley envisions adding operative videos to the online home of *ACS Surgery*, at <http://www.acssurgery.com/>.

He believes that these videos, teaching slide sets, and podcasts will enhance the educational experience for residents and practicing surgeons. He also would like the text to begin to integrate with the new general surgery residency curriculum being developed by the Surgical Committee on Resident Education. In addition, he hopes to expand the scope of the work by including chapters by a variety of experts with differing perspectives on general surgery and the subspecialties. By working with the publisher, BC Decker Inc., Dr. Ashley will promulgate the effort to make *ACS Surgery* an internationally adopted surgical reference.

Brian Decker, president and publisher of BC Decker Inc., said, "We are persuaded that Dr. Ashley's stewardship will enhance the already remarkable success of *ACS Surgery*. The work draws its strength from its rich history, but its vitality stems from the fresh vision that Dr. Ashley brings to the enterprise. Since its first incarnation as *Scientific American Surgery*, this work has been the benchmark for innovation in surgical education. We expect the track record to be extended during the Ashley regime."