
College to present leadership skills course in May

The American College of Surgeons invites surgeons who aspire to meet the challenges of exemplary leadership across all settings to join senior surgical leaders in a dynamic three-day course, *Surgeons as Leaders: From Operating Room to Boardroom*, to be held May 23–26, at the College headquarters in Chicago, IL.

Surgeons who will serve as faculty include: Layton F. Rikers, MD, FACS, Chair; Bruce L. Gewertz, MD, FACS; Wiley W. Souba, MD, ScD, FACS; and

Gayle E. Woodson, MD, FACS. A. Brent Eastman, MD, FACS, Chair of the Board of Regents, will be the keynote speaker. ACS Regent Julie A. Freischlag, MD, FACS, and Charles F. Rinker II, MD, FACS, will serve as specially invited faculty. Debra A. DaRosa, PhD, will serve as professional educator for the course.

Organized by the College's Division of Education, the course will help surgeons to: (1) exhibit the attributes of a leader; (2) use consensus development and

vision to set, align, and achieve goals; (3) build and maintain effective teams; (4) cultivate leadership capacities to move groups forward; (5) change culture, resolve conflict, and balance demands within the larger environment; and (6) evaluate leadership opportunities.

For details and an application form, visit <http://www.facs.org/education/surgeonsasleaders.html>, or contact Alexandra Palinski at apalinski@facs.org or 312-202-5018.