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*Improving
Surgical Quality –
A Data-Driven
Approach*

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EVENT PROGRAM

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.: Registration, Breakfast and Networking (*Griffis Faculty Club*)

8:30 – 11:45 a.m.: Forum (*Uris Auditorium*)

8:30-8:35 a.m. Welcome and Introduction

Fabrizio Michelassi, MD, FACS

Lewis Atterbury Stimson Professor and Chairman, Department of Surgery, Surgeon-in-Chief, NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center

8:35-10:05 a.m. Presentations on Quality Improvement (in order of appearance)

David B. Hoyt, MD, FACS

Executive Director, ACS

Laurie H. Glimcher, MD

Stephen and Suzanne Weiss Dean, Weill Cornell Medical College; Provost of Medical Affairs, Cornell University

Foster C. Gesten, MD, FACP

Medical Director, Office of Quality & Patient Safety, New York State Department of Health

Steven J. Corwin, MD

Chief Executive Officer, NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital

Clifford Y. Ko, MD, MS, MSHS, FACS

Director, ACS Division of Research and Optimal Patient Care

Alfons Pomp, MD, FACS, FRCSC

Leon C. Hirsch Professor, Vice Chairman, Department of Surgery, Chief, Section of Laparoscopic and Bariatric Surgery, NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center

10:05-10:50 a.m. Statements on Quality Improvement and Panel (in order of appearance)

H. Leon Pachter, MD, FACS

George D. Stewart Professor and Chair, Department of Surgery, NYU School of Medicine

Jeffrey H. Peters, MD, FACS

Professor of Surgery, Chair, Department of Surgery, University of Rochester Medical Center

Pierre F. Saldinger, MD, FACS

Chairman, Department of Surgery, Surgeon-in-Chief, New York Hospital Queens

Steven C. Stain, MD, FACS

Henry and Sally Schaffer Chair, Department of Surgery, Albany Medical Center; Professor and Chair, Department of Surgery, Albany Medical College

10:50-11:40 a.m. Q&A Discussion

11:40-11:45 a.m. Closing Remarks

HOST/MODERATOR

Fabrizio Michelassi, MD, FACS: NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center

Dr. Michelassi is a world-renowned, board-certified gastrointestinal surgeon with a strong expertise in the surgical treatment of gastrointestinal and pancreatic cancers as well as inflammatory bowel disease. He is the Lewis Atterbury Stimson Professor of Surgery and Chairman of the Department of Surgery at Weill Cornell Medical College and Surgeon-in-Chief at NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center.

A prolific author of more than 250 papers, book chapters and abstracts, he developed a novel bowel-sparing procedure for Crohn's disease, now known as the *Michelassi Strictureplasty*. He has served as President of the Society of Surgical Oncology, the Illinois Surgical Society, the Spencer Surgical Society, the Western Surgical Society, the Central Surgical Association, the Society of Surgical Chairs, the New York Surgical Society, Secretary of the Society of the Alimentary Tract and SSAT Foundation, and a Director of the American Board of Surgery. A member of more than 45 professional societies, he serves on the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, and as Chair of the Committee on Clinical Congress Programs of the Advisory Council for General Surgery of the American College of Surgeons. He received his medical degree from the University of Pisa School of Medicine, and completed his internship and surgical residency at New York University and a research fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard University.

PRESENTERS

(in order of appearance)

David B. Hoyt, MD, FACS: American College of Surgeons

Dr. Hoyt is the Executive Director of the American College of Surgeons (ACS). In this role, Dr. Hoyt oversees nationally and internationally recognized educational and quality programs, including education and training for surgeons and surgery residents, and quality improvement programs including the Committee on Trauma, Commission on Cancer, National Surgical Quality Improvement Program, National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers and Bariatric Surgery Center Network. Dr. Hoyt is the former Medical Director of ACS Trauma Programs and served as Executive Vice-Dean of the University of California, Irvine, School of Medicine; Chairman of the Department of Surgery; and the John E. Connolly Professor of Surgery at the University of California, Irvine. An international lecturer, Dr. Hoyt is the author of over 480 book chapters, journal articles and abstracts.

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Laurie H. Glimcher, MD: Weill Cornell Medical College; Cornell University

Dr. Glimcher is currently the Stephen and Suzanne Weiss Dean and Professor of Medicine at Weill Cornell Medical College and serves as Provost for Medical Affairs of Cornell University. Previously, she was the Irene Heinz Given Professor of Immunology at the Harvard School of Public Health and Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School, where she headed one of the top immunology programs in the world. She also served as Senior Physician and Rheumatologist at the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. Dr. Glimcher received her post-doctoral training at Harvard and in the Laboratory of Immunology at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases in Bethesda, MD. Board-certified in Internal Medicine and Rheumatology, she received her undergraduate degree from Radcliffe College and her medical degree from Harvard Medical School. Dr. Glimcher is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the Klemperer Award, the AAUW Senior Scholar Award, the Huang Meritorious Career Award, the AAI Excellence in Mentoring Award, the American College of Rheumatology Distinguished Investigator Award, the Ernest Bertner Award, the William Coley Award, the Leukemia Society's Stohlman Memorial Scholar Award, the FASEB Excellence in Science Award, and the American Society of Clinical Investigation Investigator Award. A Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Dr. Glimcher has published more than 350 scholarly articles and papers. She has been invited to speak nationally and internationally on rheumatology, immunology, skeletal biology and translational medicine.

Foster C. Gesten, MD, FACP: New York State Department of Health

Dr. Gesten is the Medical Director for the Office of Quality & Patient Safety in the New York State Department of Health. Dr. Gesten provides clinical direction and leadership for a team of professionals engaged in quality oversight, performance measurement and clinical improvement within health plans and public insurance programs in New York. Major initiatives include the development of statewide public reporting systems for commercial, Medicaid and child health managed care programs on quality, access, satisfaction, medical home demonstrations, provider-based quality measurement and improvement, and patient safety. His interests include population health, health service research and quality improvement projects directed at prevention services and chronic care. Dr. Gesten is a member of the Committee on Performance Measurement (CPM) at the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA), and a member of the Measure Application Partnership Coordinating Committee of the National Quality Forum (NQF). Dr. Gesten was trained in general internal medicine at Brown University.

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Steven J. Corwin, MD: NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital

Dr. Corwin is Chief Executive Officer of NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital. Previously, he served as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital, a position he held since 2005. In addition to overseeing the day-to-day operations across all five campuses of the hospital, Dr. Corwin was responsible for advancing the institution's strategic initiatives to fulfill its commitment to *We Put Patients First*, at the core of its mission. This included an intense focus on quality and patient safety, cultivating the organization's people and talent, advancing clinical and technological innovation, building physician and institutional partnerships across the NewYork-Presbyterian enterprise, ensuring service to the hospital's underserved communities and maintaining the hospital's financial and operational strength. Key accomplishments under his leadership include marked improvements in quality and safety across the institution, improved patient and employee satisfaction, and significant program growth and ranking among the top six hospitals in the nation. A cardiologist and internist, Dr. Corwin is a Fellow at the New York Academy of Medicine. He obtained his undergraduate and medical degrees from Northwestern University, and completed his internal medicine residency and cardiology training at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center. Dr. Corwin has been a recipient of many awards, including the VHA Award for Clinical Quality. He is a member of the Greater New York Hospital Association Committee on Quality and Outcomes.

Clifford Y. Ko, MD, MS, MSHS, FACS: American College of Surgeons

As the Director of the ACS Division of Research and Optimal Patient Care, Dr. Ko leads all of the quality evaluation and improvement programs of ACS, including the National Surgical Quality Improvement Program (ACS NSQIP), the Cancer Approvals Program, the Trauma Center Verification Program, and the Bariatric Surgery Center Network Accreditation Program. Dr. Ko is a practicing surgeon who serves as professor of surgery and health services at the UCLA Schools of Medicine and Public Health and holds the Robert and Kelly Day Chair in Surgical Outcomes. He also is a research affiliate at the RAND Corporation.

Alfons Pomp, MD, FACS, FRCSC: NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center

Dr. Pomp is an internationally recognized expert in advanced laparoscopic surgical techniques. A graduate of McGill University and the University of Sherbooke, he completed his surgical training in Montreal and Rhode Island and then practiced in Montreal. Dr. Pomp moved to the NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital/Weill Cornell Medical College in 2003 and is Chief of the Section of Laparoscopic and Bariatric Surgery and the Leon C. Hirsch Professor of Surgery. He is active in surgical education and is the Vice-Chairman of the Department of Surgery for Quality and Patient Safety. He has been included in Castle Connolly's list of New York's "Top Doctors" every year since 2002. International recognition includes honorary membership in the Brazilian College of Surgeons and the Hellenic Society of Laparoscopic Surgery. Dr. Pomp has published more than 100 peer-reviewed studies. He is currently a funded investigator of the NIDDK/NIH Bariatric Surgery Research Consortium. He also serves on the steering committee and chairs the adjudication committee for Longitudinal Assessment of Bariatric Surgery (LABS), a major clinical, epidemiological and behavioral research study on the impact of weight-loss surgery on the health of obese patients. His primary clinical expertise includes bariatric surgery, minimally invasive foregut and solid organ surgery.

PANELISTS

(in order of appearance)

H. Leon Pachter, MD, FACS: NYU School of Medicine

Dr. Pachter is currently the George D. Stewart Professor and Chair in the Department of Surgery at NYU School of Medicine. He has perfected a number of life-saving techniques over the years, among them a method of salvaging severely damaged livers and spleens that drastically reduced the mortality rate for such injuries. In 1975, he was awarded a fellowship by the American Cancer Society. By introducing advances in minimally invasive surgical techniques, Dr. Pachter has played a key role in making NYU's surgical service one of the finest in the country. The author of more than 100 peer-reviewed publications and numerous book chapters, Dr. Pachter serves on the editorial board of *The Journal of Trauma and Critical Care* and has previously served on the editorial board of the *Journal of the American College of Surgeons*.

Jeffrey H. Peters, MD, FACS: University of Rochester Medical Center

Dr. Peters is a Professor of Surgery and Chair of the Department of Surgery at the University of Rochester Medical Center. Before coming to Rochester, Dr. Peters was a Professor of Surgery and Chief of the Division of General Surgery at the University of Southern California. He is nationally and internationally recognized as an expert in surgery of the esophagus and stomach and lectures throughout the world. Dr. Peters is a leader and a pioneer in the field of minimally invasive surgery and has over 300 publications devoted to the field of esophageal disease. His research efforts focus on the development of esophageal cancer in patients with Barrett's esophagus and the genesis of esophageal mucosal injury and cellular mutations. Dr. Peters is an active member of the American Surgical Association, the Society of Alimentary Tract Surgery and Past President of the Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES).

Pierre F. Saldinger, MD, FACS: New York Hospital Queens

Dr. Saldinger is Chairman of the Department of Surgery and Surgeon-in-Chief at New York Hospital Queens (NYHQ). He is a distinguished surgeon with expertise in the surgical treatment of cancer and benign disorders of the pancreas, liver, gallbladder, bile ducts and stomach as well as retroperitoneal sarcomas. Dr. Saldinger received his medical degree from the University of Basel School of Medicine in Switzerland. He completed his residency in surgery at Beth Israel Hospital, Harvard Medical School in Boston, a research fellowship in mucosal immunology at the University of Lausanne, Switzerland, and a clinical fellowship in Hepatobiliary Surgery at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York. He was a founding member of the *Connecticut Surgical Quality Collaborative* and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and the Society of Surgical Oncology. He is a member of many prestigious societies, including the Society of University Surgeons. Dr. Saldinger is a reviewer for the journal *Surgery* and is a member of the editorial board of the *Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery*.

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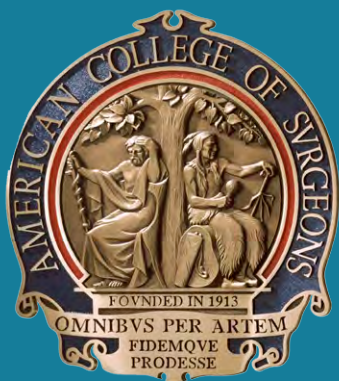
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Steven C. Stain, MD, FACS: Albany Medical Center; Albany Medical College

Dr. Stain, a highly published physician and clinical researcher, is the Henry and Sally Schaffer Chair, Department of Surgery, Albany Medical Center; Professor and Chair, Department of Surgery, Albany Medical College. He was previously Professor and Chair of Surgery at Meharry Medical College in Nashville with a secondary appointment as Professor of Surgery at Vanderbilt University. Prior to joining Meharry, Dr. Stain was an Associate Professor at the University of Southern California Medical Center, where he also served his internship and residency and performed a fellowship in surgical critical care. He received his medical degree from the University of California, Irvine. Dr. Stain has published over 100 peer-reviewed publications, and serves on the editorial board of four journals. He was a director of the American Board of Surgery, serving as Chair from 2009-2010. He also is an active member of several surgical societies, serving in leadership roles in the American Surgical Association, Society of Black Academic Surgeons, Western Surgical Association and SAGES.

ABOUT THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

The American College of Surgeons is a scientific and educational organization of surgeons that was founded in 1913 to raise the standards of surgical practice and improve the care of the surgical patient. The College is dedicated to the ethical and competent practice of surgery. Its achievements have significantly influenced the course of scientific surgery in America and have established it as an important advocate for all surgical patients. The College has more than 78,000 members and is the largest organization of surgeons in the world. For more information, visit www.FACS.org.



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