

## Division Updates

## **Spine Division**

Amrit Khalsa, MD

**Spine Faculty** 





Harvey Smith, MD



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J. Rush Fisher, MD

spine fellow and 2 combined pediatric and adult fellows in collaboration with the Shriner's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Dr. Vincent Arlet began a year-long sabbatical in July 2023 focusing on his complex pediatric spine outreach program in Trinidad.

Dr. Harvey Smith continues to lead the way as the consummate physician-scientist, advancing translational research surrounding biologic disc-replacement and spinal fusion biologics. As a whole, the Spine Division has participated in a multitude of peer-reviewed publications, chaired multiple committees and academic courses both at the regional and national levels, and continue in leadership roles across multiple national and international societies.

The Spine Division is supported by an illustrious host of advanced practice providers and administrative assistants that continue to elevate the division as we grow both clinically and academically.

The Orthopaedic Spine Division continues to excel as individuals grow and transition. In addition to advancing the legacy of complex scoliosis and revision spine surgery, the orthopaedic spine service tackles a wide breadth of cutting-edge and minimally invasive procedures. Additionally, the division participates in Level 1 spine trauma call managing some of the most critical patients.

The Spine Division educational mission continues to thrive. In addition to supporting a rotating PGY 3 and PGY 4 resident, between the matriculating and rising PGY 5 classes, a total of 6 Penn Orthopaedic residents are attending elite spine fellowships across the country.

Dr. David Casper assumed the role of Co-director for our own Penn Spine Fellowship. Under his leadership and the continued support from our additional faculty, Director Emeritus Dr. Vincent Arlet, Co-Director Dr. Amrit Khalsa, Dr. Harvey Smith, and Dr. Rush Fisher we had the most applicants ever for our two separate Penn Spine Fellowship tracks. We continue to support 3 positions, 1 full-time adult

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