Division Updates



Spine Division

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Spine Faculty



Harvey Smith, MD





Vincent Arlet, MD







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The Orthopaedic Spine Division continues to charge ahead. The division continues to provide comprehensive state-of-the-art patient care ranging from cutting-edge

endoscopic spinal surgery to the most complex revision scoliosis procedures. From spinal tumor to Level 1 spine trauma, the division provides a wide breadth of care.

It is with the sincerest gratitude and appreciation that the Spine Division recognizes Dr. Vincent Arlet's retirement this year. Dr. Arlet's legacy at both Penn Orthopaedics and national and international level will continue to live on through the multitude of residents and fellows he has trained throughout his illustrious career.

The division welcomes Dr. Sherif Sherif as he transitions his practice to Pennsylvania Hospital to pick up where Dr. Arlet left off taking on the most complex adult spinal scoliosis procedures.

From an educational standpoint, the Spine Division continues to thrive. In addition to supporting a rotating PGY 3 and PGY 4 resident, 3 of the matriculating chief residents are attending elite spine fellowships across the country next year. Under the leadership of the Penn

Orthopaedic Spine Fellowship Co-Directors, Drs. David Casper and Amrit Khalsa, an additional clinical fellow was added in conjunction with collaboration with the Shriner's Hospital of Philadelphia and Virtua Health System in New Jersey. The Penn Orthopaedic Spine Fellowship continues to blossom into one of the premier spine fellowships in the country.

Dr. Harvey Smith continues to advance translational research surrounding biologic spinal disc-replacement with several recent landmark peer-reviewed publications in collaboration with Dr. Robert Mauck and other McKay Laboratory researchers. Dr. Smith succeeds in sustaining a busy clinical practice while remaining an international thought-leader in the field.

Dr. Rush Fisher continues to advance the field of spinal arthroplasty as he transitions his high-volume practice to Penn-affiliate Chester County Hospital.

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.