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Academic Background

- B.S., Biology, University of Maryland at College Park, 1994
- DPM, Temple University School of Podiatric Medicine, 1998
- Podiatric Surgical Residency, Highlands-Presbyterian/St. Luke's Medical Center, Denver, CO, 1998-2001

Diplomate, American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery, 2007
Fellow, American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons, 2007

ACFAS Leadership Experience

- Section Editor, *Journal of Foot and Ankle Surgery*, 2022 – present
- Member, Surgical Skills Committee, 2022 – present
- Chair, Consumer Education Committee, 2019 – 2022
- Member, Consumer Education Committee, 2017 – 2022
- Member, Annual Scientific Conference Committee, 2013 – 2017
- Member, Clinical Consensus Statement Committee for Heel Pain, 2016
- Member, Clinical Consensus Statement Committee for Perioperative Management, 2017
- Co-author Chapter, *Arthroscopy of the Foot and Ankle e-Book*, 2016
- Co-author Chapter, *Trauma in the Foot and Ankle e-Book*, 2019
- Chair, Arthroscopy Foot and Ankle Skills Course, 2021 – 2022
- Chair, Fixing a Flat: Comprehensive Approach to Pes Plano Valgus, 2019
- Chair, ACFAS on the Road–In the Trenches Workshop and Seminar, 2017 – 2018
- Faculty, Annual Scientific Conference, 2013 – present
- Faculty, ACFAS on the Road seminar and workshops, 2013 – present
- Faculty, Arthroscopy Foot and Ankle Skills and Surgical Skills Courses, 2013 – present
- Manuscript Peer Reviewer, *Journal of Foot and Ankle Surgery*, 2014 – present
- Judge, Poster Competition Annual Scientific Conference, 2013 – present

Professional Experience

- Program Director, Highlands-Presbyterian/St. Luke's Podiatric Medicine and Surgery Residency Program, 2020 – present
 - Faculty, 2001 – present
- Faculty, Rocky Mountain Reconstructive Foot and Ankle Fellowship, 2019 – present
- Board of Directors, Highlands Foot and Ankle Institute, 2006 – present
 - Positions held: Vice President, Secretary, Scientific Chair
- Board of Directors, Colorado State Podiatry Board, 2017 – present
 - Positions held: Vice President
- Board of Directors, Colorado Foot and Ankle Society, 2009 – 2017
 - Positions held: President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, Scientific Chair
- Chief Podiatry Division, St. Anthony's Hospital Medical Executive Committee, 2013-2021
- Clinical Review Committee, The Surgery Center at Lutheran, 2006 – present
- American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery Committees: Oral board examiner, Credentials Committee, Board Certification Content Development Committee, Cognitive Examinations Committee, Case Review, Communications Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, Computer Based Patient Simulation Committee
- Author of chapters of surgical foot and ankle texts and multiple peer reviewed manuscripts, abstracts, and posters
- Presenter at numerous national, regional and local conferences

Current Position:

Partner, Rocky Mountain Foot & Ankle Center, Wheat Ridge, CO

Platform Statement

It is truly an honor to be considered for the American College Foot and Ankle Surgeons Board of Directors. I have been an active member of ACFAS for over 20 years. For the past 10 years, I have had the privilege to serve within the College in many capacities including the Chair of the Consumer Education Committee, Annual Scientific Conference Committee, Surgical Skills Committee, and Section Editor for the *Journal of Foot and Ankle Surgery*. I have also served as faculty for the Annual Scientific Conference and several surgical skills courses. This involvement within the College has allowed me to better understand the goals and mission of ACFAS. I believe the future and success of our profession is dependent on the leadership provided by ACFAS and understanding the needs of our members.

Our profession has continued to progress and evolve in many ways over the years. The landscape of the healthcare system is constantly changing and we have seen several challenges. The College must continue to foster the advancement of foot and ankle surgery and build upon the groundwork that has been established by prior ACFAS leadership. The future of our profession lies within our membership. We must continue to serve the needs of our members and the community.

My vision for the future of foot and ankle surgery focuses on one of our strengths: education. ACFAS continues to be recognized as the leader and preeminent organization in foot and ankle education. The College provides our members with the highest level of education and must continue to stay on the forefront. Through every phase of your career, ACFAS must be able deliver that education to meet your needs and requirements. Education needs to be accessible to every member through all mediums on the national, regional, online, and virtual levels. It is important to continue to cultivate high-quality resident and fellowship programs and maintain the utmost standards for training.

Our members provide the highest quality foot and ankle care and can dramatically improve patient's lives. ACFAS must continue to strengthen our current membership and recruit future members. It is essential to our growth. We can increase our numbers by mentoring students, residents, and young physicians while supporting our existing members. It is important to continue our public relations and social media campaigns. We need to continue to promote foot and ankle surgery to patients, allopathic and osteopathic colleagues, and healthcare organizations. Over the past several years, our profession has continued to grow within the medical community and ACFAS has had an integral part in that progress. We must continue to strive to achieve professional parity with our orthopedic colleagues.

ACFAS needs to prioritize and focus on research. We need to publish our evidence-based scientific research to confirm our expertise in the field of foot and ankle surgery. ACFAS has made progress with grants and encouraging research, however we can continue to do more. ACFAS can accomplish this goal by allocating the appropriate research funding and promoting the quality of publication within our own scientific journals. The commitment to quality education and research is imperative to the continued growth of our profession.

I am proud to be a Fellow of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons. Thank you for your consideration to serve on the Board of Directors.