

**DAVID E. RIVADENEIRA, MD, FACS, FASCRS**

**BIRTHPLACE AND DATE:** New York, NY. 12/27/69    **CITIZENSHIP:** United States

**APPOINTMENTS:**

11/2008 – Present      Attending Colon & Rectal Surgeon  
**St. Catherine of Siena Medical Center**  
Smithtown, NY

9/2008 – 11/2008      Associate Professor of Surgery  
**State University at Stony Brook School of Medicine**  
Stony Brook, NY

8/2003 – 8/2008      Assistant Professor of Surgery  
**State University at Stony Brook School of Medicine**  
Stony Brook, NY

7/2002 – 6/2003      Clinical Instructor in Surgery  
**Tufts University School of Medicine**  
Boston, MA

7/1996 – 6/2002      Clinical Associate in Surgery  
**Cornell University Medical College**  
New York, NY

**MEDICAL EDUCATION:**

9/1991 – 5/1995      **Howard University College of Medicine**, Washington, D.C.  
Doctor of Medicine  
*Inducted into Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society*

**SURGICAL TRAINING:**

7/2002 – 6/2003      Fellow, Department of Colon and Rectal Surgery  
**Lahey Clinic Medical Center**  
Burlington, MA  
*Awarded Outstanding Academic Achievement Award*

7/2001 – 6/2002      Chief Resident, Department of Surgery  
**New York Presbyterian Hospital - Cornell Medical Center**  
New York, NY

7/1996 – 6/2001      Assistant Surgeon, Department of Surgery  
**New York Presbyterian Hospital - Cornell Medical Center**  
New York, NY

7/1995 – 6/1996      Intern, Department of Surgery  
**New York Presbyterian Hospital - Cornell Medical Center**

New York, NY

7/1995 – 6/2002

Rotating Resident, (PGY 1- 5) Department of Surgery  
**Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center**  
 New York, NY

**RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP:**

7/1997- 6/1999

NIH Surgical Oncology Research Fellowship  
**Cornell University Medical College**  
 New York, NY

**LICENSURE:**

New York State Medical License # 212811, 12/98  
 Massachusetts State Medical License # 215801, 7/02

**BOARD CERTIFICATIONS:**

American Board of Surgery, 10/03  
 American Board of Colon & Rectal Surgery, 10/04

**DIPLOMATE:**

Fellow, American College of Surgeons, 2006  
 Fellow, American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons, 2006

**DEA**

Licensed (number available upon request)

**SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS:** American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons, 2002  
 American College of Surgeons, 2003  
 Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract, 2002  
 Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons, 2003  
 Association for Academic Surgery, 2003  
 Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America, 2003  
 New York Surgical Society, 2005  
 New York Colon & Rectal Society, 2005

**REFEREE SERVICE TO JOURNALS**

- Reviewer for *World Journal of Surgery*
- Reviewer for *Journal of Gastroenterology and Hepatology*
- Reviewer for *Journal of Endoscopic and Laparoscopic Surgery*



## JOURNAL ARTICLES:

### PEER REVIEWED

1. Toussaint RM, **Rivadeneira DE**, Gembah SV, Coomes MW: Cyclosporine-mediated induction of cytochrome P-450. *J Invest Surg* 7:372, 1994
2. **Rivadeneira DE**, Tuckson WB, Naab T: Increased incidence of second primary malignancy in patients with carcinoid tumors: case report and review of literature. *J Natl Med Assoc* 88:310-312, 1996
3. Odocha O, Wilder J, **Rivadeneira D**, Kelly B, Chung E, Leffall L: Splenectomy in cancer surgery: diminishing indications? *In Vivo* 10:241-243, 1996
4. Callender CO, **Rivadeneira DE**, Kelly BS: Medical utility vs. legal justice: a proposal for the ethical use of prisoner-donated organs. *Transplant Proc* 28:374, 1996
5. **Rivadeneira DE**, Evoy D, Fahey III TJ, Lieberman MD, Daly JM: Nutritional support of the cancer patient. *CA: Cancer J Clin* 48:69-80, 1998
6. **Rivadeneira DE**, Grobmyer SR, Naama HA, Subbaramaiah K, Mackrell PJ, Daly JM: Protein-calorie malnutrition increases apoptosis in peritoneal macrophages. *Surg Forum* 49:62-64, 1998
7. **Rivadeneira DE**, Fahey III TJ: Invited Commentary: Expression of inducible nitric oxide synthase in circulating neutrophils of the systemic inflammatory response syndrome and septic patients. *World J Surg* 22:776-777, 1998
8. Mackrell PJ, Mestre J, Yang EK, McCarter M, **Rivadeneira DE**, Tucker O, Stapleton P, Dannenberg A, Daly JM: Cyclooxygenase-2 upregulation following trauma. *Surg Forum* 49:76-78, 1998
9. Barry L, Mestre J, McCarter M, Naama H, Mackrell P, **Rivadeneira D**, Stapleton P, Daly J: Protein-calorie malnutrition attenuates Nf- $\kappa$ B activation in peritoneal macrophages. *Surg Forum* 49:117-119, 1998
10. Mackrell PJ, Barry L, Mestre J, Tucker O, **Rivadeneira DE**, Stapleton P, Murphy E, Dannenberg A, Daly JD: Nuclear factor-Kappa  $\beta$  mediates upregulated cyclooxygenase-2 expression after traumatic injury. *Surg Forum* 50:280-282, 1999
11. Eisengart C, Mestre J, Naama H, Mackrell P, **Rivadeneira D**, Murphy E, Stapleton P, Dannenberg A, Daly JM. Melanoma-induced changes in macrophage gene expression. *Surg Forum* 50:293-95, 1999
12. **Rivadeneira DE**, Epperson J, Daly JM: Rectus sheath hematoma: A forgotten diagnosis in acute abdominal pain. *Surgical Rounds* 22:443-446, 1999
13. **Rivadeneira DE**, Grobmyer SR, Naama H, Mestre J, Mackrell P, Barry L, Stapleton P, Daly JM. Protein-calorie malnutrition sensitizes to Fas/Fas ligand mediated hepatocyte apoptosis and mortality In vivo. *Surg Forum* 50:259-261, 1999

14. **Rivadeneira DE**, Naama HA, McCarter MD, Fujita J, Evoy D, Mackrell P, Daly JM: Glucocorticoid blockade does not abrogate tumor-induced cachexia. *Nutrition and Cancer* 35:202-206, 1999.
15. **Rivadeneira DE**, Simmons RM, Christos PJ, Hanna K, Daly JM, Osborne MP: Predictive factors associated with axillary lymph node metastases in T1a and T1b breast carcinomas: Analysis in more than 900 patients. *J Amer Coll Surg* 191:1-8, 2000.
16. Grobmyer SR, Lin E, Lowry S, **Rivadeneira DE**, Potter S, Barie P, Nathan C: Interleukin-18 in human sepsis. *J Clin Immunol* 20:212-215, 2000.
17. Weyant MJ, Eachempati S, Maluccio MA, **Rivadeneira DE**, Grobmyer SR, Hydo LJ, Barie PS: Interpretation of computed tomography does not correlate with laboratory or pathologic findings in surgically-confirmed acute appendicitis. *Surgery* 128:145-152, 2000
18. **Rivadeneira DE**, Simmons RM, Kersey-Fish S, Gayle L, LaTrenta J, Swistel A, Osborne M: Skin-sparing mastectomy with immediate reconstruction: a critical analysis of local recurrence. *Cancer J* 6:331-335, 2000.
19. Eisengart CA, Mestre JR, Naama HA, Mackrell PJ, **Rivadeneira DE**, Murphy EM, Stapleton PP, Daly JM: Prostaglandins regulate melanoma-induced cytokine production in macrophages. *Cell Immunol* 204:143-149, 2000.
20. Grobmyer SR, **Rivadeneira DE**, Mackrell P, Lieberman MD, Daly JM: Pancreatic anastomotic failure after pancreaticoduodenectomy. *Amer J Surg* 180:117-120, 2000.
21. Fujita J, Marino MW, Wada H, Jungbluth AA, Mackrell PJ, **Rivadeneira DE**, Stapleton PP, Daly JM: Effect of TNF gene depletion on liver regeneration after partial hepatectomy in mice. *Surgery* 129:48-54, 2001.
22. Mestre JR, Mackrell PJ, **Rivadeneira DE**, Stapleton PP, Tanabe T, Daly JM: Redundancy in the signaling pathways and promoter elements regulating cyclooxygenase-2 gene expression in endotoxin-treated RAW 264.7 macrophages. *J Biol Chem* 276(6):3977-3982, 2001.
23. **Rivadeneira DE**, Curry WT: Gallstone Ileus. *J Gastro Hepatol* 16:105, 2001.
24. **Rivadeneira DE**, Grobmyer SR, Naama HA, Mackrell PJ, Mestre JR, Stapleton PP, Daly JM: Malnutrition-induced macrophage apoptosis. *Surgery* 129:617-25, 2001.
25. Mestre JR, **Rivadeneira DE**, Mackrell PJ, Duff M, Stapleton PP, Mack-Stong V, Maddali S, Smyth GP, Tanabe T, Daly JM: Overlapping CRE and E-box promoter elements can independently regulate COX-2 gene transcription in macrophages. *FEBS Lett* 496:147-51, 2001.
26. **Rivadeneira DE**, Wong WD: Preoperative staging of rectal cancer. *Clinics in Colon and Rectal Surgery* 1:17-26, 2002.

27. **Rivadeneira DE**, Pochapin M, Grobmyer SR, Lieberman M, Christos P, Jacobson I, Daly JM: Comparison of linear array endoscopic ultrasound and helical computed tomography for the staging of periampullary malignancies. *Ann Surg Oncol* 10:890-897, 2003.
28. **Rivadeneira DE**, Marcello PW. Current status of hand-assisted laparoscopic colon and rectal surgery: Do we need a hand? *Seminars in Colon & Rectal Surgery*. 14:154-160, 2003.
29. **Rivadeneira DE**, Marcello PW, Rusin LC, Murray JJ, Collier J, Roberts PL, Schotez DJ: Benefits of hand-assisted laparoscopic restorative proctocolectomy: A comparative study. *Dis Colon Rectum* 47:1371-1376, 2004.
30. **Rivadeneira DE**, Ruffo B, Amrani S, Salinas C. Rectovaginal Fistulas: Current Surgical Management. *Clinics in Colon and Rectal Surgery*. Clinics in Colon and Rectal Surgery 20: 96-101, 2007.
31. Botchkina IL, **Rivadeneira DE**, Watkins K, Karpeh MS, Botchkina GI. Clinical Significance of Telomerase Activity in Peritoneal Disseminated Cells: Gastrointestinal Cancers. *Mol Med* 14(1-2):45-54. 2008
32. Quan M, Ruffo B, Franceschi D, **Rivadeneira DE** Incidental colorectal findings on PET/CT imaging in non-colorectal cancer patients: Does a "PEToma" justify a colonoscopy? . *J Amer Coll Surg ( In Press)*

## PUBLISHED PROCEEDINGS / ABSTRACTS

### *PEER REVIEWED*

1. Odocha O, **Rivadeneira D**, Callender CO: Malignant neoplasms in African-Americans following solid organ transplantation: a 20-year single center experience. *Proc Amer Assoc Cancer Research* 36:244, 1995
2. **Rivadeneira DE**, Toussaint RM, Coomes M: Metabolism of cyclosporine in african-american transplant patients. *American Medical Association Student Research Forum* 1994.
3. Callender CO, **Rivadeneira DE**, Rao M: Evolution of a community based national organ/tissue donation education program. *American Society of Transplant Surgeons* 1994.
4. Toussaint RM, **Rivadeneira DE**, Gembeh SV, Coomes M: Cyclosporine mediated induction of cytochrome P450. *Scientific Session of the Academy of Surgical Research* 1994.

5. **Rivadeneira DE**, McCarter M, Mackrell PJ, Daly, JM: Pre-operative supplementation with immunonutrients in cancer patients. *J Japan Surg Soc* 99:318, 1998
6. Mackrell PJ, McCarter M, **Rivadeneira DE**, Daly JM: Trauma induces delayed hyperresponsiveness in splenic macrophages. *J Japan Surg Soc* 99:336, 1998
7. Mackrell PJ, McCarter MD, Tucker O, **Rivadeneira DE**, Daly JM: Leptin: A potential glucocorticoid counter regulatory hormone in protein calorie malnutrition. *JPEN* 23:S6, 1999
8. Grobmyer SR, **Rivadeneira DE**, Mackrell P, Lieberman MD, Daly JM: A comparison of pancreaticojejunostomy vs. Pancreatic ductal ligation in a series of 58 consecutive pancreaticoduodenectomies. *New York Surgical Society 1999*.
9. **Rivadeneira DE**, Pochapin M, Grobmyer SR, Lieberman M, Christos P, Jacobson I, Daly JM: Comparison of endoscopic ultrasound and helical computed tomography for the staging of periampullary malignancies. *New York Surgical Society 1999*.
10. **Rivadeneira DE**, Meng H, Karpeh MS: Mirizzi Syndrome: Evaluation with magnetic resonance cholangiopancreatography. *Surg Endoscopy* 18:s257, 2004.
11. Delaney CP, Senagore AJ, Stulberg JJ, Champagne B, Sarker S, Zeinali F, Efron J, Franklin M, Lee S, Obias V, **Rivadeneira D**, Weiss E: Teaching Laparoscopic Proctosigmoidectomy (LS) to Residents: A Comparison of a High Fidelity Synthetic Model and Live Porcine Model. American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons 2008

#### BOOK CHAPTERS:

1. Callender CO, **Rivadeneira DE**: The National Minority Organ/Tissue Transplant Education Program: A Cost Effective Model For Community Empowerment. *In* Lieberman R, Mukherjee A (eds): Principles of Drug Development and Autoimmunity, New York, R.G. Landes, 1996, p 777-780.
2. **Rivadeneira DE**, JM Daly: Hepatic Metastases. *In* Bland KI, Daly JM, Karakousis CP (eds): Surgical Oncology: Contemporary Principles & Practice, Stamford, Appleton & Lange, 2001, p600-681.
3. **Rivadeneira DE**, Roberts PL: Methods in Evaluating Anorectal Physiology. *In* Oliveira L (ed): Fundamentals of Anorectal Physiology, Brazil, BYK, (*In Press*)
4. **Rivadeneira DE**, Killelea A. Surgical Treatments for Colon and Rectal Cancer : A Critical Appraisal of Evidence – Based Data. *In* McCulloch, Kerr, Karpeh and Ajani (EDS): Gastrointestinal Oncology: Evidence and Analysis, INFORMA, 2007, P113-123.

#### VISITING PROFESSORSHIPS:

- University Hospital of Porto. Porto, Portugal, November 2007
- Hospital of Barreria. Lisbon, Portugal, November 2007.

#### **INTERNATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:**

- **Chinese Laparoscopic & Endoscopic Surgical Society 2008**  
Invited Speaker  
“Laparoscopic Colon Resections for Cancer: Update from the USA”  
“Energy Based Devices in Surgery Today”  
Shanghai, China October 2008
- **Turkish Surgical Society**  
Invited Speaker  
“Laparoscopic Colon Resections for Cancer: Update”  
Istanbul, Turkey September 2007
- **XVI International Congress of Endoscopic Surgery**  
Invited Keynote Speaker  
Laparoscopic Colon Surgery in the United States  
Veracruz, Mexico May 2007
- **XXVI National Portuguese Surgical Conference**  
Invited Keynote Speaker  
“Laparoscopic Colon Surgery: The Time is Now”  
Lisbon, Portugal March 2006
- **98th Annual Congress of the Japan Surgical Society – Oral Presentation**  
Invited Speaker  
“Pre-Operative Supplementation with Immunonutrients in Cancer Patients”  
Tokyo, Japan April 1998

#### **NATIONAL PRESENTATIONS:**

- **American College of Surgeons: Clinical Congress 2008**  
Invited Speaker  
Laparoscopic Colon Surgery Update  
“Dealing with the Transverse Colon & Pelvis”  
San Francisco, CA October 2008
- **American College of Surgeons: Clinical Congress 2008**  
Paper Presentation Session: Colon & Rectal Surgery  
“Incidental PET/CT Findings in the colon in Non Colorectal Cancer Patients: Does a PEToma Justify a Colonoscopy”  
San Francisco, CA October 2008
- **Annual Meeting of the American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons: Laparoscopic Colectomy Symposium**

- Invited Speaker  
 “Mobilization of the Hepatic Flexure”  
 St. Louis, MO June 3, 2007
- **Lutheran & Downstate Medical Center: Selected Topics in Surgery 2006**  
 Invited Speaker  
 “Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery: Help or Hindrance”  
 New York, NY November 30, 2006
  - **American College of Surgeons: Clinical Congress 2006**  
 Invited Speaker  
 When Things Go Wrong in the Operating Room: Improving Patient Outcomes  
 “Laparoscopic Misadventures”  
 Chicago, IL October 11, 2006
  - **Downstate Medical Center: Selected Topics in Surgery Symposium 2005**  
 Invited Speaker  
 “Hand-assisted Colectomy”  
 Brooklyn, NY December, 2005
  - **American College of Surgeons Clinical Congress 2005**  
 Cine Med Video Session  
 “Reconstruction Following Obstetrical Injury”  
 San Francisco, CA October, 2005
  - **The Maurice Goldenhar 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Medicine Update**  
 Minimally invasive surgery for colon and rectal diseases  
 Stony Brook, NY June 2004
  - **The American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons–Video Session**  
 Hand-assisted laparoscopic technique for total proctocolectomy  
 Dallas, TX May 2004
  - **Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons Society- Poster** Mirizzi  
 Syndrome: Evaluation with magnetic resonance cholangiopancreatography  
 Denver, CO April, 2004
  - **American College of Surgeons-Clinical Congress- Video Session**  
 Hand-assisted laparoscopic sigmoid resection for diverticulitis  
 Chicago, IL October, 2003
  - **New England Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons– Oral Presentation** Vacuum-  
 assisted closure of complex wounds of the perineum: A new paradigm in perineal wound  
 care  
 Kennebunkport, ME June 2003
  - **New England Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons– Oral Presentation**  
 Benefits of hand-assisted restorative proctocolectomy: A comparative study  
 Kennebunkport, ME June 2003

**New England Medical Center 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Surgical Resident/Fellow Research Presentation Day – Oral Presentation**

- Vacuum-assisted closure of complex wounds of the perineum: A new paradigm in perineal wound care  
Boston, MA May 2003
- **American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons– Oral Presentation**  
Benefits of hand-assisted restorative proctocolectomy: A comparative study  
New Orleans, LA June 2003
- **American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons– Poster Presentation**  
Vacuum - assisted closure of complex wounds of the perineum: A new paradigm in perineal wound care  
New Orleans, LA June 2003
- **American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons– Video/Podium Presentation**  
Hand-assisted laparoscopic mesorectal excision  
New Orleans, LA June 2003
- **Massachusetts Chapter of the American College of Surgeons- 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting**  
Vacuum-assisted closure of complex wounds of the perineum: A new paradigm in perineal wound care  
Newton, MA December 2002
- **Society of Surgical Oncology – Parallel Session – Oral Presentation**  
Comparison of Endoscopic Ultrasound and Helical Computed Tomography for the Staging of Periampullary Malignancies  
Washington DC, March 2001
- **American College of Surgeons – Paper Session – Oral Presentation**  
Predictive Factors Associated with Axillary Lymph Node Metastases in T1a and T1b Breast Carcinoma: Analysis in over 900 patients  
San Francisco, CA October 1999
- **85th Annual Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons-Surgical Forum**  
Protein-Calorie Malnutrition Sensitizes to Fas/Fas Ligand Mediated Hepatocyte Apoptosis and Mortality In Vivo  
San Francisco, CA October 1999
- **New York Surgical Society – Oral Presentation**  
A Comparison of Endoscopic Ultrasound and Spiral Computed Tomography for Staging Periampullary and Ampullary Tumors  
New York, NY May 1999
- **84th Annual Clinical Congress of the American College of Surgeons-Surgical Forum**  
Protein-Calorie Malnutrition Increases Apoptosis in Peritoneal Macrophages  
Orlando, FL October 1998

- **American Society of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition- ASPEN – Oral Presentation**  
Neuroendocrine Blockade Does Not Abrogate Tumor Induced Cachexia  
Orlando, FL January 1998
- **American Association of Cancer Research – Oral Presentation**  
Malignant Neoplasms in African-Americans Following Solid Organ Transplantation: a 20-year Single Center Experience  
Toronto, Canada May 1995  
*American Association of Cancer Research Clinical Research Scholar Award*
- **National Medical Association Surgical Research Forum – Oral Presentation**  
Metabolism of Cyclosporine in African-American Transplant Recipients  
Atlanta, GA July 1995
- **Eastern Student Research Forum at the University of Miami School of Medicine**  
Metabolism of Cyclosporine in African-American Transplant Recipients  
Miami, FL February 1994 [Poster]

## **POSTGRADUATE COURSES**

### **Faculty**

- **University of Washington Advanced Laparoscopic Colon Workshop**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
St. Louis, MO February 8 & 9, 2008
- **UCLA Laparoscopic Colon Course**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
Los Angeles, CA August 25, 2007
- **New York Hospital - Cornell Medical Center Laparoscopic Intestinal Surgery Workshop**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
New York, NY June 23 and August 11, 2007
- **University of Pennsylvania Laparoscopic Colon Course**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
Philadelphia, PA May 19, 2007
- **Laparoscopic Colon Course: Celebration Hospital**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”

Orlando, FL May 13, 2007

- **Laparoscopic Colon Course for Laparoscopic Fellows**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
“Laparoscopic Low Anterior Resection”  
Norwalk, CT March 29 & 30, 2007
- **Laparoscopic Colon Course: Celebration Hospital**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
Orlando, FL March 18, 2007
- **University of Miami Laparoscopic Colon Course**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
Miami, FL March 3, 2007
- **University of Texas: Southwestern Laparoscopic Colon Course**  
Invited Instructor & Speaker  
“Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
Dallas, TX, February 16, 2007
- **American College of Osteopathic Surgeons: National Review Course**  
Invited Instructor and Speaker  
“Anal Surgery & PPH”  
“Laparoscopic Colon Course”  
Henderson, NV January 11-13, 2007
- **Colon & Rectal Fellows Laparoscopic Intestinal Surgery Workshop at The Lahey Clinic**  
Invited Instructor & Speaker  
“Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
Burlington, MA January 6, 2007
- **New York Hospital - Cornell Medical Center Laparoscopic Intestinal Surgery Workshop**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
New York, NY December 9, 2006
- **Stony Brook Medical Center Laparoscopic Intestinal Surgery Workshop**  
Course Director  
“Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
New York, NY December 2, 2006
- **West Penn Allegheny Laparoscopic Total Colectomy Course**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
“Laparoscopic Misadventures”

Miami, FL November 11, 2006

- **University of Miami Laparoscopic Colon Course**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
Miami, FL November 11, 2006
- **Laparoscopic Colon Course for Laparoscopic Fellows**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
“Laparoscopic Low Anterior Resection”  
Norwalk, CT November 9, 2006
- **Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES)  
Minimally Invasive Intestinal Surgery Workshop for Surgical Residents**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
“Laparoscopic Low Anterior Resection”  
Norwalk, CT November 2, 2006
- **Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery Workshops**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Laparoscopic Colon Surgery: Room Set up and Equipment”  
University of Massachusetts Medical Center  
Worcester, MA April 1 & October 21, 2006
- **Cine Med Laparoscopic Intestinal Workshop**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
“Laparoscopic Colon Surgery: Room Set up and Equipment”  
Norwalk, CT March 2006
- **University of Alabama Laparoscopic Intestinal Surgery Workshop**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Colon Surgery”  
“Laparoscopic Colon Surgery: Room Set up and Equipment”  
University of Alabama  
Birmingham, AL February 2006
- **New York Hospital - Cornell Medical Center Laparoscopic Intestinal Surgery  
Workshop**  
Invited Faculty & Speaker  
“Laparoscopic Colon Surgery: Room Set up and Equipment”  
New York, NY July 2005
- **American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons Annual Meeting  
Hand Access Laparoscopic Intestinal Surgery Workshop**  
Invited Instructor & Speaker  
Philadelphia, PA April 2005

- **Lahey Clinic Hand Access Laparoscopic Intestinal Surgery Workshop**  
Invited Instructor & Speaker  
Burlington, MA March & July, 2005
- **Laparoscopic Colon Workshop**  
Instructor & Presenter  
Cine Med/Tyco  
Norwalk, CT January 2005
- **American College of Surgeons Hand Access Laparoscopic Intestinal Surgery Workshop**  
Instructor & Presenter  
New Orleans, LA October 2004
- **Laparoscopic Colon Workshop**  
Instructor & Presenter  
Cine Med/Tyco  
Norwalk, CT May & October 2004

#### **COMMITTEES:**

**Board of Directors**, Visiting Nurse Services of Suffolk Long Island

**Standards committee**, American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons 2008- 2011

**Program committee**, American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons 2007- 2010

**Chair, Awards committee**, American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons 2006-2008

**Academic Standing committee**, Stony Brook School of Medicine 2007-2008

**Awards committee**, American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons 2005-2006

**Institutional Representative**, Association for Academic Surgery 2005-2008

**Faculty Senate committee**, Stony Brook School of Medicine 2005-2007

**Surgery Quality Assurance committee**: Stony Brook Hospital 2003-2008

#### **HONORS & AWARDS:**

Marquis Who's Who in America 2009

Marquis Who's Who in the World 2009

Cambridge Who's Who Among Professionals in Research and Medicine 2008 & 2009

Marquis Who's Who 2007 & 2008

America's Top Surgeons by Consumer's Research Council 2007

Strathmore's Who's Who 2004

Lahey Clinic Alumni Assoc. Award for Academic Achievement in Colon & Rectal Surgery, 2003

Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society - Inducted 1995

American Association of Cancer Research Scholar Award 1995

Drs. Drew/ Syphax Surgery Award for Highest Scholastic Achievement in Surgery 1995

Dr. Robert Jason, Sr. Award for Highest Scholastic Achievement in Pathology 1995

Obstetric & Gynecology Award for Highest Scholastic Achievement 1995

Pediatrics Award for Highest Scholastic Achievement 1995

Who's Who Among Students in American Universities & Colleges 1994

Dow Chemical Student Fellowship in Transplant Surgery 1993-95

Dr. Percy O. Batipps Scholarship for Academic Excellence 1993

National Medical Fellowship Award 1991-93

**LANGUAGES:**

Fluent in Spanish & Portuguese