



# Obstetrics and Gynecology

**RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM**



**UT Health**  
San Antonio

The University of Texas  
Health Science Center at San Antonio



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## About Us

The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio offers a fully accredited four-year training program in obstetrics and gynecology that fulfills the requirements of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology for specialty certification. This program is conducted primarily at University Health System facilities-University Hospital and University Health Center Downtown/Robert B. Green Campus.

Our faculty includes members certified in general obstetrics and gynecology and the subspecialties of gynecologic oncology, maternal-fetal medicine, clinical genetics, female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgery, and reproductive endocrinology and infertility.

UT Health San Antonio is part of The University of Texas System and offers more than 50 health-related degree specialties and several pre- and postbaccalaureate certificate programs. The interdisciplinary aspect of research and patient care is regarded as one of the university's great strengths.

University Hospital is one of the nation's leading teaching hospitals and South Texas' premier adult and pediatric Level I trauma center, Level IV maternity center, and Level IV neonatal intensive care unit. Ranked best hospital in the region and among the top 50 nationally for gynecology by U.S. News and World

Report, University Hospital offers the most technically advanced care available anywhere in an inviting and comfortable setting.

A wide array of gynecologic surgical experience is available to our residents throughout the curriculum, including vaginal, abdominal, advanced laparoscopic, hysteroscopic and robotic cases in general gynecology and subspecialty services. Our Level IV neonatal intensive care unit, Level IV maternity center, maternal transport team and multidisciplinary placenta percreta program provide an outstanding obstetric experience for our residents. Residents gain clinical experience working alongside nurse practitioners and midwives to develop collaborative health care team skills. All residents are provided a curriculum to complete certification in Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery (FLS), and robotic surgery.



## Our Training Program

The program is accredited and approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education for 24 residents in obstetrics and gynecology – six at each training level. Our educational objectives are based on the Council for Resident Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology (CREOG) educational objectives and are evaluated annually with the goal of continuously improving the residency training program. Our residents have consistently been winners of the Gold Humanism Award for teaching.

Weekly didactic sessions are offered to residents, and faculty coverage is provided to permit attendance. This includes lectures, interactive sessions, journal clubs, simulations and resident-led learning sessions. The curriculum is designed to cover the CREOG educational objectives over a two-year period.

Conferences are held regularly to enhance learning and patient care.

- antepartum conference
- cesarean conference
- gynecology conference
- quality improvement/patient safety conference
- root cause analysis
- tumor board
- perinatal conference (monthly)
- multidisciplinary morbidly adherent placenta conference

In addition to the institutional wellness curriculum, our program offers a resident-led wellness program. Sessions are integrated throughout the didactic curriculum and include a variety of activities such as yoga, mindfulness, painting, exercise and games. Residents attend an annual off-site resident retreat while faculty members cover the patient care.

All residents are required to complete a research project, which can include a quality improvement project. Numerous basic science, clinical, educational and multidisciplinary faculty and resources are available to fulfill resident research endeavors. Residents present project proposals in the PGY-2 year and completed projects at the conclusion of the PGY-3 year.

Residents and faculty are encouraged and supported to become involved in a variety of local, regional and national efforts such as committees of social service, community outreach, education, research and legislative advocacy.



## Curriculum

### PGY-1

OB – 7 week block x 2  
GYN – 7 week block x 2  
Night Float – 3-4 week block x 2  
Gyn/Onc – 7 week block  
Ambulatory – 3-4 week block x 2

### PGY-2

OB – 7 week block x 2  
GYN – 7 week block x 2  
Night Float – 3-4 week block X 2  
Gyn/Onc – 7 week block  
Selective\* – 3-4 week block  
REI – 3-4 week block

### PGY-3

OB – 7 week block x 2  
GYN – 7 week block  
Night Float – 3-4 week block x 2  
Selective\* – 3-4 week block  
Urogynecology – 7 week block  
REI – 3-4 week block  
VA – 4 week block  
Research – 1 week block  
Family Planning – 2 week block

### PGY-4

OB – 8 week block x 2  
GYN – 4 week block  
Night Float – 4 week block x 2  
Gyn Onc – 8 week block

\*Selective options as a PGY-2 or PGY-3 may include: neonatal ICU, surgical ICU, gyn surgery at the VA, a month research rotation or any away rotation depending on PGY level and career planning

## Benefits

Benefits provided by University Health System include medical and dental insurance, life and disability insurance, parking, meal tickets for each night on-call, sick leave (10 days/year) and vacation leave (15 days/year).



# Program Leadership

Sarah M. Page-Ramsey, MD Professor, Residency Program Director, Deputy Vice Chair and Assistant Division Director  
Rochelle David, MD, Associate Professor, Associate Residency Program Director  
Cristina M. Wallace Huff, MD, Assistant Professor, Associate Residency Program Director  
Melissa Acuna, Administrative Assistant  
Jackie Barrera, Academic Programs Coordinator  
Nia Becton, Administrative Assistant

## Our Faculty

### Chair

Randal D. Robinson, MD, Professor and Chair

### Education

Erin L Nelson, MD Professor, Vice Chair of Education, Division Director  
Sarah M. Page-Ramsey, MD, Professor Residency Program Director, Deputy Vice Chair and Assistant Division Director  
Rochelle David, MD, Associate Professor, Associate Residency Program Director  
Cristina Wallace Huff, MD, Assistant Professor, Associate Residency Program Director  
Gabriel A. Medrano Valle, MD, Associate Professor, Clerkship Director

### General Obstetrics and Gynecology

Luke A. Newton, MD, Associate Professor, Division Chief  
J. Edgar Bost, MD, Associate Professor  
Rochelle M. David, MD, Associate Professor  
Karen C. Diaz, MD, Associate Professor  
J. Chris Franka, MD, Associate Professor  
Ashley Gonzales, PA-C, Specialist

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Rachelle Jacobs, PA, Specialist  
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Mary Stokes, MD, Assistant Professor  
Brooke Thomson, MD, Associate Professor  
Sarah H. VanArendonk, MD, Assistant Professor  
Cristina Wallace Huff, MD, Assistant Professor

### Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery

Anne Porter, MD, MPH, Assistant Professor

### Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery

Alexandria N. Alas, MD, Assistant Professor  
Elizabeth A. Evans, MD, Associate Professor

### Maternal-Fetal Medicine

Patrick S. Ramsey, MD, MSPH, Professor, Division Chief, Fellowship Director  
Michael Berkus, MD, Associate Professor  
Amy Bible, CNM, Specialist  
Angela R. Boyd, MD, PhD, MFM Fellow  
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Allyson Michels, FNP, Specialist  
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Theresa Stewart, MD, Associate Professor  
Jana Sullivan, CNM, Specialist  
Oxana Zarudskaya, MD, PhD, MFM Fellow

### Gynecology Oncology

Kevin L. Hall, MD, Professor, Division Chief  
Edward R. Kost, MD, Professor, Fellowship Director  
Logan Blankenship, MD, Gyn Onc Fellow  
Dennis Herrera, FNP, Specialist  
Stephanie Highsmith, FNP, Specialist  
Yasmin Lyons, DO, Assistant Professor  
Georgia McCann, MD, Associate Professor  
Megan Ross, MD, MPH, Gyn Onc Fellow  
Nicole Spencer, MD, Gyn Onc Fellow

### Reproductive Endocrinology/Infertility

Belinda Yauger, MD, Associate Professor, Division Chief  
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Tiencheng Arthur Chang, PhD, Professor  
Stephanie Elliot, FNP, Specialist  
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Katherine Kostroun, MD, REI Fellow  
Srinidhi Reddy, MD, MPH, REI Fellow  
Randal D. Robinson, MD, Professor and Chair  
Robert S. Schenken, MD, Professor

### Reproductive Research

Rajeshwar Rao Tekmal, PhD, Professor, Division Chief  
Ratna K. Vadlamudi, PhD, Professor, Vice Chair of Research  
Egle B. Prewit, PhD, Assistant Professor  
Gangadhara Reddy Sareddy, PhD, Assistant Professor  
Suryavathi Viswanadhappalli, PhD, Instructor

Fellowships are offered in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility, Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Gynecology Oncology & Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery.

## The Application Process

Applicants must be eligible for licensure in the state of Texas. If there are any questions regarding this, inquiries should be made directly to the Texas Medical Board. The Department participates in the National Resident Matching Program and the Electronic Residency Application System (ERAS). Only applications submitted through the ERAS will be considered. Candidates are selected based on their application, transcript, letters of recommendation and interviews. Applicants who are judged competitive after review of their credentials are invited for an interview. Interviews are held at UT Health San Antonio during October, November, December or January. Each applicant will have the opportunity to meet residents, fellows, faculty and other departmental staff, and tour the facilities.

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