

#GettingToKnowDOS—Dr. Robert Yates

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Synopsis: Do you have a favorite childhood memory?

Yates: Yes, that's easy. When I was young I had an aunt and uncle who have a farm in a really rural area outside of Montreal and my brother and I used to visit them every summer for a month or so. It was wonderful—we got to explore and play outside and it was totally safe and we just got to be kids. I love animals and I think that's where I developed my love of animals, on the farm.



Rob and Jenna in an informal curling tournament that included creating a team name (Chimney Sweeps) and coordinating outfits. Despite none of the team members having prior curling experience, they came in 2nd place and had a great time.

Synopsis: Do you have a personal goal for the coming year?

Yates: One of my big personal goals is to do a half marathon trail run. I've completed a number of organized road-races, but never a trail run. A friend of mine from college and I have our eyes set on one in Moab, Utah in November. Jenna and I did the Rock and Roll Seattle Half Marathon in June – it was a good warm up for the trail run.

Synopsis: What is your favorite social media medium?

Yates: Instagram. I'm a visual person, so Instagram lends itself to that aspect of my personality. I like everything on there from clever memes to amazing nature photography to an account dedicated to a 450 lb pet pig named Esther, owned by a guy who turned vegan after adopting her. Similar to other social media sources, I'm amazed with all the variety.

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Harborview uses 'Pokémon Go' in patient recovery
The Seattle Times, July 2016

Why your robotic surgeon will have a human overlord looking over its shoulder
GeekWire, April 2016

Seattle Magazine's Top Doctors 2016

Dr. Gabriel Aldea
New Clinical Practice Guidelines Recommend Use of Arteries Rather than Veins in Heart Bypass Surgery
The Society of Thoracic Surgeons, December 2015

Dr. Giana Davidson
Modernae Woman: General Surgeon Giana Davidson
Modernae.com, April 2016

Dr. Elisha Brownson, Harborview trauma and burn critical-care AY 2015–16 fellow
E-cigs are exploding in vapers' mouths, leaving gruesome injuries
The Seattle Times, February 2016

Video Shows E-Cigarette Explosion That Put Man in Hospital
NBC News, February 2016

Dr. Heather Evans
Infection? Web app piloted as post-op communication channel
UW Health Sciences NewsBeat, January 2016

Drs. David Flum and Giana Davidson
Antibiotics instead of appendectomy? UW study may be 'game changer'
The Seattle Times, March 2016

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Twisp firefighter discusses injuries, future hopes
UW Health Sciences NewsBeat, November 2015

Dr. Richard Hopper
Seattle surgeon's innovation lets 'one tough cookie' of a girl breathe normally
The Seattle Times, June 2016

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How Patients' Reports On Their Health Can Help Doctors Do A Better Job
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Born With Three Heart Defects, Bowen is Now Thriving As He Approaches His Third Birthday
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Transformation of Care at UW Medicine
UW Medicine, March 2016

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Burns 309: Face stretching

Family warns other parents after son is burned
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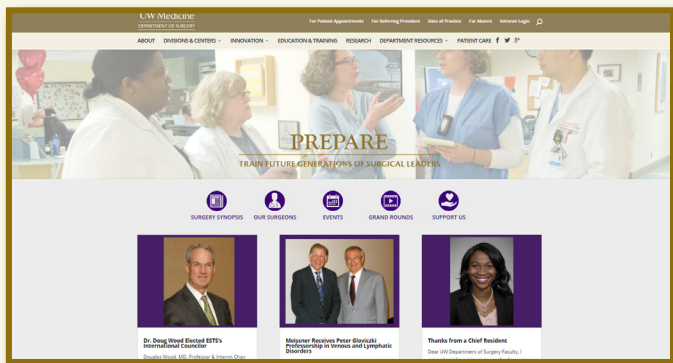
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Yahoo News, May 2016

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Plastic Surgery The Meeting 2015 - Opening Ceremonies
KING5 News, December 2015

Mercer Island girl donates \$5,000 to medics after surviving accident
KIRO7 News, December 2015

Dr. Andrew Wright
SAGES Foregut Surgery Collaboration
SCOPE, Summer 2016

New Department of Surgery Website



The new [Department of Surgery website](#) launched June 2016. The website has a new look, contemporary features, updated information and more strongly focuses on the Department's mission. The project's team included **Judith Rapp**, **Mike Aly**, **Roland Lai**, **Kate Rimmer**, **Michael Hilleary**, **Rob Fabiano**, **Carlos Mendoza** and **Isaac Dodrill**.

The team worked with UW Creative for its new design and is currently working with Division and Center liaisons to update the site's content. Some of the new features include revamped [faculty roster page](#) and [event calendar](#) pages and new [grand round videos](#) archive page.

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Pediatric Surgery

- Adam Goldin, MD, MPH
- Kenneth Gow, MD
- Patrick Healey, MD
- Patrick Javid, MD
- Robert Sawin, MD

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- Joseph Gruss, MD
- Nicholas Vedder, MD

Surgery

- Mark Brakstad, MD
- Patch Dellinger, MD
- Nicole Gibran, MD
- Karen Horvath, MD
- Grant O'Keefe, MD, MPH
- Jorge Reyes, MD
- Mika Sinanan, MD, PhD

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- Gabriel Aldea, MD
- Nahush Mokadam, MD
- Lester Permut, MD
- Edward Verrier, MD
- Douglas Wood, MD

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