

It is with great pleasure we announce and welcome our new faculty members. Each new faculty member introduces an added level of experience, quality, and service to the Department of Surgery.

Surgery News



Sarah Atkinson, MD, Assistant Professor, Division of General Surgery

Dr. Atkinson is an Assistant Professor in the Division of General Surgery with additional fellowship-trained expertise in colon and rectal surgery. She specializes in the full breadth of colon and rectal surgery, including inflammatory bowel disease, colorectal cancer, anorectal disease, diverticular disease, and diseases of the pelvic floor. Dr. Atkinson was born

and raised in Washington D.C. and then moved to New Orleans where she received her undergraduate degree from Tulane University. She completed medical school at the University of Illinois and then relocated to Cincinnati, Ohio for her general surgery residency. Most recently she has completed her Colon and Rectal Surgery Fellowship at the University of Toronto in Ontario, Canada. Dr. Atkinson is board certified through the American Board of Surgery (ABS) and is a member of the American College of Surgeons (ACS) and the American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons (ASCRS). Dr. Atkinson is married to Dr. J.P. Gilberto, a UW Otolaryngologist who also works at University of Washington Medical Center. In her free time she enjoys skiing, farmers markets, reading, and exploring the Pacific Northwest with her husband. They are excited to expand their family with a baby girl this fall.



Russell Ettinger, MD, Assistant Professor, Division of Plastic Surgery

Dr. Ettinger is an Assistant Professor and Craniofacial Surgeon in the Division of Plastic Surgery with expertise in both pediatric and adult craniofacial reconstruction. His primary areas of interest include cleft lip and palate, orthognathic surgery, pediatric plastic surgery, adult facial trauma, facial burn reconstruction, and gender affirming surgery. His

primary sites of practice include Seattle Children's Hospital and Harborview Medical Center. Dr. Ettinger received his bachelor's degree from the University of Washington and matriculated to the University of Washington School of Medicine where he also earned his medical degree. He completed his residency training in Plastic Surgery at the University of Michigan, including a one-year T-32 NIH research fellowship during which Dr. Ettinger investigated translational approaches to the pharmacologic augmentation of bone healing in the setting of radiation induced injury. He then returned to Seattle to complete his Craniofacial

Surgery Fellowship at Seattle Children's Hospital and Harborview Medical Center, after which he was recruited to join the faculty within the Division of Plastic Surgery. When not caring for patients Dr. Ettinger enjoys spending time with his family, friends, and enjoying all the outdoor activities that the Pacific Northwest has to offer.



Barclay Stewart, MD, PhD, MscPH, Assistant Professor, Division of Trauma, Burn, & Critical Care Surgery

Dr. Stewart completed both his General Surgery residency and Burn Surgical Critical Care fellowship at the University of Washington. His post-graduate training in public health and health systems strengthening was completed at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine in the United Kingdom and

Stellenbosch University in South Africa, respectively. In addition to providing clinical care at Harborview Medical Center (HMC) and UW Medicine Regional Burn Center, Dr. Stewart will be a faculty lead within the Strategic Analysis, Research & Training (START) Center, which is a global health consulting group established by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the UW Department of Global Health. He will also work with Drs. **Charles Mock**, Professor, Division of Trauma, Burn & Critical Care Surgery, **Nicole Gibran**, Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education for Harborview Medical Center, David and Nancy Auth Endowed Chair for Restorative Burn Surgery, and Professor in the Division of Trauma, Burn & Critical Care Surgery, and **Tam Pham**, Director, HMC Burn Center, Professor & Chief, Burn Center, Division of Trauma, Burn & Critical Care Surgery, to build on the productivity and support renewal of existing grants (e.g., NIH/Fogarty support for improving trauma care in West Africa; National Institute of Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research support for the Burn Model System program). Dr. Stewart's research and advocacy interests relate to global surgery, defined not by geographic boundaries, but by ubiquitous issues such as: health equity; access to safe surgical care for all when needed; resilient healthcare systems; and emergency, trauma and surgical care systems development in low-resourced settings. He will take the lead in coordinating our Department's existing global surgery efforts, mentor interested trainees, and support the development of global surgery curricula for residents and surgical critical care fellows. We look forward to his inputs toward a more formal and sustained global surgery program. Outside of his professional work, Dr. Stewart enjoys cycling, kayaking and backpacking with his wife, Melissa. They also love cooking for friends and family and sharing in the delights of the Pacific Northwest.