The 2021 Department of Surgery (DOS) Chief Residents’ Dinner was held virtually on June 19, 2021. Dr. Douglas E. Wood, The Henry N. Harkins Professor and Chair, welcomed guests and DOS faculty presented awards.

This annual event celebrates the graduation of all program residents and fellows who have trained in the department. The DOS is proud to have some of the top training programs in the nation, which is made possible through the hard work of many. Special thanks goes to the education staff: Kira Martin, Senior Administrator for Education and Divisions of Plastic Surgery/Harborview Medical Center, Trauma, Critical Care & Burn Surgery, & Veterans Administration Healthcare (VAPHS), Gina Coluccio, Manager, Surgical Education, Joanna Ames, General Surgery-Categorical and Preliminary Surgery Programs’ Administrator, Kristelle Calma, Program Operations Specialist, Karyn Crow, Plastic Surgery Residency Program Administrator, Anne Long, Vascular Surgery Residency Program Administrator, Karina Martinez, Microvascular Reconstructive Surgery Fellowship and Advanced GI/Minimally Invasive Surgery Fellowship Programs’ Administrator, Suzanne Mills, Program Operations Specialist, Kaitlin Ree, Program Operations Analyst, and Laura Yale, Medical Student Program Administrator.

**CHIEF RESIDENTS GRADUATING 2021**

**INTEGRATED CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY RESIDENT**

Tori Lennox, MD
Plans: Private Practice, Coeur d’Alene, ID

**INTEGRATED PLASTIC SURGERY RESIDENTS**

Daniel Cho, MD, PhD, MSc
Plans: Craniofacial Plastic Surgery Fellowship at Children’s Hospital, University of Pennsylvania

Charles Rodriguez-Feo, MD
Plans: Hand Surgery Fellowship at Baylor College of Medicine

Isaac Stein, MD
Plans: Assistant Professor, Division of Plastic Surgery, University of Washington

Grace Um, MD
Plans: Microsurgery Fellowship, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
GENERAL SURGERY RESIDENTS

Oluwatobi Afolayan, MD
Plans: Cardiothoracic Surgery Fellowship, Baylor University

Jamal Anyalebechi, MD
Plans: Cardiothoracic Surgery Fellowship, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center

Matthew Bartek, MD, MPH
Plans: Surgical Palliative Care Fellowship, The Massachusetts General and Brigham and Women's Hospitals Joint Program

Andrew Ludwig, MD
Plans: Private Practice, Evergreen Health, Kirkland, WA

John Monu, MD, MPH
Plans: Cardiothoracic Surgery Fellowship, Oregon Health Sciences University

Yongwoo (David) Seo, MD
Plans: Complex General Surgical Oncology Fellowship, MD Anderson Cancer Center

Kathryn Stadeli, MD, MPH
Plans: Trauma and Surgical Critical Care Fellowship, University of Washington

Kevin Sullivan, MD
Plans: Complex General Surgical Oncology Fellowship, City of Hope

PRELIMINARY RESIDENTS

Lindsay Eysenbach, MD
Natalie Friedricks, MD, MS
Jonathan Gatto, MD
Rochelle Gaudet, MD
Ronald Goubert, MD
Kevin Huang, MD
Jacky Kwong, MD
Sarah LaPierre, MD
Chelsey Lemaster, MD, MPH
Catherine Lynch, MD
Craig May, MD, MA
Reece Miller, MD
William Montagne, MD
Courtney Orsbon, MD, PhD
Hannah Van Patten, MD
Amanda West, MD, MPH

SURGERY FELLOWS
FINISHING JUNE 2021

Abhiram Bhashyam, MD, PhD
Hand Surgery

Ronald Brown, MD
Hand Surgery

Matt Delliger, MD
Pediatric Surgery

Gina Farias-Eisner, MD
Hand Surgery

James Hendele, MD
Abdominal Transplant Surgery

Benjamin Huebner, MD
Surgical Critical Care

Katherine Iverson, MD, MPH
Surgical Critical Care

Peter Johnston, MD
Surgical Critical Care

Andrew Kaufman, MD
Cardiothoracic Surgery

Madonna Lee, MD
Congenital Cardiac Surgery

Vimukta Mahadev, MD
Surgical Critical Care

John McClellan, MD
Surgical Critical Care

Karina Newhall, MD
Vascular Surgery

Dale Podolsky, MD, PhD
Craniofacial Surgery

Clifford Scheckter, MD
Surgical Critical Care

Stephen Viviano, MD
Microvascular Reconstructive Surgery

Howard Wang, MD
Craniofacial Surgery

Jay Zhu, MD
Center for Videoendoscopic Surgery

Stephen Zoller, MD
Hand Surgery
HARKINS SOCIETY &
HENRY HARKINS AWARD (est. 1985)

AWARDEE
Dr. Alex Kurtz

This award is presented to a University of Washington School of Medicine medical student who has completed outstanding clinical work and demonstrated a strong interest in pursuing training in a surgical discipline.

Presented by Dr. Kristine Calhoun, Professor, Director of Medical Student Surgical Education, Division of General Surgery

DOS RESIDENT AWARD FOR MEDICAL STUDENT TEACHING (est. 2013)

AWARDEE
Alison Haruta, MD

This award is presented to a Department of Surgery resident at any level who made a positive impact on medical students through teaching and mentoring.

Comments from medical students:
“...she went above and beyond to find time to educate us (the medical students) on any topic of our choosing during incredibly busy days of her service. She would stick up for me if an attending or staff member was being harsh or overly critical while also showing humility in admitting if she had made a mistake. She went above and beyond her role as a resident in teaching and managing the medical students when it was clear she did not have to nor have time that was convenient to do so. Additionally, she provides excellent care to her patients while also being respectful to everyone she is around.”

Presented by Dr. Karen Horvath, Professor and Director, Residency Program in General Surgery

RESIDENT ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD (est. 2017)

AWARDEES
Lindsay Dickerson, MD, Alexandra Hernandez, MD, MCR, Dara Horn, MD, Kevin Huang, MD, Chelsey Lemaster, MD, MPH, Joshua Rosen, MD, MHS, Kevin Sullivan, MD

This award is presented to those General Surgery residents who scored in the 85th percentile or greater from across the nation on the ABSITE exam this year.

Presented by Dr. Karen Horvath, Professor and Director, Residency Program in General Surgery

THE JUNIOR RESIDENT ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP AWARD (est. 2013)

AWARDEE
Jacky Kwong, MD

This award is presented to the Surgery R1/R2 who participates in the greatest number of Journal Clubs in an academic year.

Presented by Dr. Karen Horvath, Professor and Director, Residency Program in General Surgery

ANNUAL HARBORVIEW HOUSESTAFF ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (est. 1985)

AWARDEE
Kathryn Stadeli, MD, MPH

This award is presented annually to a University of Washington resident from amongst a pool of 1,300 residents and fellows. This incredibly prestigious award recognizes nominees for their “extraordinary clinical ability and humanitarian concern,” as best shown through their exemplary care provided to Harborview Medical Center’s patients.

Presented by Dr. Karen Horvath, Professor and Director, Residency Program in General Surgery
FACULTY TEACHING AWARD (est. 1989)

AWARDEE

Eileen Bulger, MD, FACS, Professor & Chief, Trauma, Division of Trauma, Burn & Critical Care Surgery

This award, in memory of former faculty member John K. Stevenson, salutes faculty teaching excellence and dedication to resident education.

Presented by Chief Residents: Tobi Afolayan, MD, Jamal Anyalebechi, MD, Matthew Bartek, MD, MPH, Aaron Berhanu, MD, Daniel Cho, MD, Christopher Crowe, MD, Tori Lennox, MD, Katie Liu, MD, Andrew Ludwig, MD, John Monu, MD, Charles Rodriguez-Feo, MD, Dave Seo, MD, Danielle Sobol, MD, Kate Stadeli, MD, Isaac Stein, MD, Kevin Sullivan, MD, Roderick Yang, MD and Grace Um, MD

DAVID TAPPER TEACHING & LEADERSHIP AWARD (est. 2003)

AWARDEE

Oluwatobi Afolayan, MD

This award is presented to a General Surgery Chief Resident who exemplifies the teaching and leadership qualities that others seek to emulate.

Presented by Douglas E. Wood, The Henry N. Harkins Professor and Chair

DOS STAFF RECOGNITION

AWARDEE

Casey Atwa, Program Specialist, Surgical Services

This award recognizes the efforts of a Department of Surgery staff member who has gone above and beyond ensuring residents have a great experience while rotating at the Veterans Administration Puget Sound Health Care System (VA).

Presented by Deborah Marquardt, MD, Assistant Professor, Veterans Administration Puget Sound Health Care System (VA) and Chief Residents