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JEFFREY AVANSINO, MD, MBA

PROMOTED TO PROFESSOR
DIVISION OF GENERAL SURGERY

Dr. **Avansino** is a pediatric general surgeon in the Division of Pediatric General and Thoracic Surgery and practices at Seattle Children's Hospital (SCH). He began his practice in the Department of Surgery (DOS)

in 2008 and promoted to Associate Professor in 2013. Dr. Avansino is an active participant in the SCH Pediatric Surgical Fellowship Program, as well as teaching the General Surgery residents in the OR, clinic, wards, and emergency department. His clinical interests include anorectal malformations and Hirschsprung disease, and he is the founder and past Director of the SCH Reconstructive Pelvic Medicine Program. His research interests center on anorectal malformations, continuous process improvement, and quality. Dr. Avansino is a member of **Colorectal Team Overseas** that provides education to providers and surgical care to children with pediatric colorectal anomalies. In addition, he is on the medical board of directors for the Pull-Through Network, co-Chair for the Pediatric Colorectal and Pelvic Learning Consortium (PCPLC), and Vice President and Medical Director of Surgical Services, Associate Surgeon in Chief.



KRISTINE CALHOUN, MD

PROMOTED TO PROFESSOR
DIVISION OF GENERAL SURGERY

Dr. **Calhoun** is a general surgeon in the Division of General Surgery and practices at Seattle Cancer Care Alliance (SCCA) in South Lake Union. Dr. Calhoun sees patients with both benign and cancerous breast conditions, and in 2005 when

she joined DOS was the first female breast surgeon at the SCCA. Dr. Calhoun was promoted to Associate Professor in 2010, and in partnership with the plastic surgeons, has been innovative in the area of oncoplastics, as well as the arena of lymphedema, where she serves as primary investigator of

a study to detect and treat lymphedema development after axillary lymph node surgery. In 2007, she was a graduate of the Medical Education and Biomedical Informatics Teaching Scholars Program. Dr. Calhoun's education roles have since included: Associate Director of the SCCA Breast Health Center, Chair of the Department of Surgery Medical Student Surgical Career Counseling Committee, DOS Director of Medical Student Surgical Education, University of Washington School of Medicine Admissions Executive Committee Member, and Clerkship Site Director for UW third-year medical students. Dr. Calhoun was the recipient of the **2020 UW School of Medicine Award for Excellence in Mentoring Women Faculty**.



PATRICK JAVID, MD

PROMOTED TO PROFESSOR
DIVISION OF PEDIATRIC GENERAL SURGERY

Dr. **Javid** is a pediatric general surgeon in the Division of Pediatric General Surgery and practices at SCH. He began his practice in DOS in 2008 and promoted to Associate Professor in 2014. His primary clinical responsibility is Surgical

Director of the Intestinal Rehabilitation Program at SCH, as well as primary surgeon in the multidisciplinary Intestinal Failure Clinic. This program's national stature led Dr. Javid to serve on the Committee on Evidence-Based Guidelines for Pediatric Intestinal Failure for the American Society of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (ASPEN). His research interests include the clinical and translational study of pediatric intestinal failure. Most recently, his research team has been studying long-term clinical outcomes in pediatric intestinal failure including an ongoing assessment of the quality of life of the child and the family.

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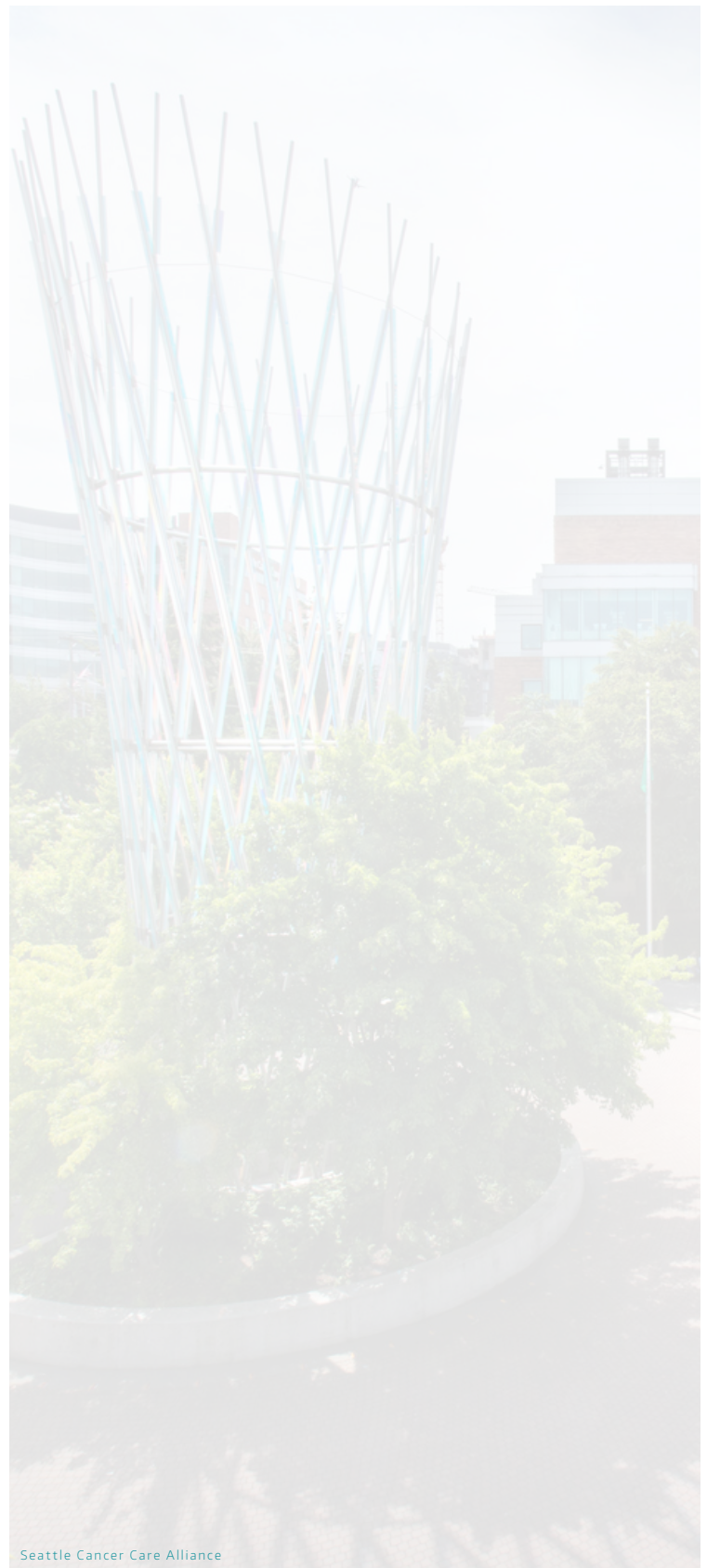


SRINIVAS SUSARLA, MD, DMD, MPH

PROMOTED TO
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
DIVISION OF PLASTIC SURGERY

Dr. **Susarla** is a plastic, oral/maxillofacial and craniofacial surgeon at SCH. He is one of the few craniofacial surgeons in the country who is board certified in both

plastic surgery and oral/maxillofacial surgery. Dr. Susarla joined the DOS in 2017 and his clinical practice focuses on pediatric and adult craniomaxillofacial reconstructive surgery, including management of craniosynostosis, cleft lip and palate, dentofacial deformities, maxillofacial pathology, and primary and secondary reconstruction following facial trauma. He serves as a mentor for plastic surgery residents as well as oral and maxillofacial surgery residents. Dr. Susarla has also organized a series of evening sessions for junior faculty preparing to take their written and oral board exams. He is the site director of the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery rotation at SCH and is solely responsible for the curriculum and didactic program. Dr. Susarla's research interests are primarily focused on clinical outcomes in craniomaxillofacial surgery. His work is in collaboration with the Craniofacial Image Analysis Laboratory (CranIAL) within the Division of Plastic and Craniofacial Surgery at SCH and the Center for Applied Clinical Investigation within the Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery at the University of Washington School of Dentistry. His secondary research interests are related to medical/dental education and measures of academic productivity within Plastic and Maxillofacial Surgery.



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