

PSCOM, Chair of Surgery

Hershey, PA - Penn State College of Medicine (PSCOM) and Penn State Health Milton S. Hershey Medical Center (MSHMC) seek an outstanding, nationally recognized academic leader with a record of accomplishment in clinical practice, research, administrative leadership and education to serve as the Chair of the Department of Surgery. This is a unique opportunity to lead a nationally known Department built upon a culture of collaboration, collegiality and high quality patient-centered care.

For the last 50 years, PSCOM and MSHMC have served as central Pennsylvania's only university medical center and medical school. Together, they have played a prominent role in meeting the region's needs for tertiary and quaternary care and have served as one of the region's largest employers and economic drivers. The organization has transformed into a comprehensive university health system - Penn State Health (PSH), which includes primary, specialty and acute care locations across the region. The enterprise aims to ensure patients receive high quality, accessible, cost-effective care close to home.

The Department of Surgery, located on the MSHMC campus and throughout the community, is comprised of 11 divisions and over 70 faculty who provide comprehensive and nationally recognized clinical care. Of the 11 Divisions, two Divisions are devoted primarily to research to complement the clinical efforts. This balance provides unique capabilities to elevate the scholarly activity and the Department's national reputation. In 2021, the Department continued to climb the Blue Ridge Institute for Medical Research rankings at #35 with over \$4.4 million in NIH funding. The faculty collaborates clinically and scientifically across other departments, centers of excellence, PSH and Penn State University. The Department offers three highly competitive residency programs and several high caliber fellowship-training programs.

The successful candidate will be an outstanding academic leader, respected researcher and clinician with demonstrated ability to inspire, manage and mentor the future of the field. This physician leader will be an individual who has a passion for providing excellent care, a desire to improve systems and processes to maximize efficiency, and a leader to engage faculty to achieve the Department's objectives. The Chair must also demonstrate an ability to work within a complex academic environment and collaborate with leaders across PSCOM, MSHMC and PSH.

To learn more about this exciting position, provide confidential nominations or express interest (via an updated CV and letter of interest) please contact the Penn State search consultants Kimberly Smith, Linda Komnick and Vinny Gossain at vgossain@wittkiewer.com or at 630-575-6957.

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