

Foot and Ankle Surgical and Research Fellowship

Our fellowship provides a unique opportunity to function as a fully licensed physician who is able to practice independently both surgically and clinically while engaging in high quality clinical research highly focused on foot and trauma as well as complex rearfoot and forefoot reconstruction.

What to Expect

To gain additional expertise as a surgeon and working knowledge as a clinical scientist through the practice and understanding of proper scientific method. The fellow will engage in weekly research meetings working alongside Peter Apel, M.D. and the other orthopaedic research fellows in developing research projects and formulating IRBs.

Surgical/Clinical Responsibilities

Our fellow will be running their own clinic as well as operating with independent block time. The fellow will also participate in taking podiatry and foot/ankle trauma call at our Level 1 trauma center, Roanoke Memorial Hospital.



Opportunities

The fellow will have the opportunity to learn and practice alongside an esteemed faculty of both podiatric and orthopaedic surgeons at a high volume center with a complex and diverse array of pathology. The fellow will be involved in resident education including weekly radiology conference, foot and ankle lecture series, cadaver labs, and journal clubs. We encourage the fellow to work alongside our current podiatry residents to foster a culture of high quality foot and ankle research for our program.

Education Duties



- Completion of the National Institute of Health's, *Introduction to The Principles and Practice*, Clinical Research Course at the onset of the fellowship period
- Participate in academic dialogue and present surgical cases at weekly Podiatric Radiology Conference
- Present two lecture topics at Tuesday's Foot and Ankle Conference
- Participate in academic dialogue during Journal Club
- Be available to assist and guide residents during Cadaver Workshops
- Assist/teach/guide residents during surgical cases

Research Duties



- Author a minimum of five submissions for a peer reviewed journal and/or medical/surgical textbook
- Present their research in the form of either a manuscript, poster, or lecture format during the annual ACFAS meeting
- Obtain IRB approval for research projects as appropriate
- Discuss research progress weekly with the Fellowship Director

Interested applicants should contact Blayne Patton, D.P.M. at bkpatton@carilionclinic.org to set up an interview and schedule a visit.

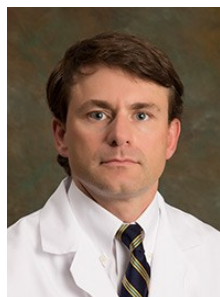
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Orthopaedic Attending Faculty



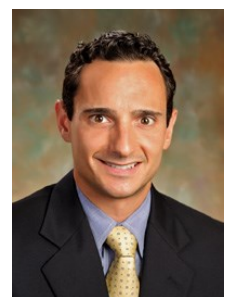
Blayne K. Patton D.P.M.
Fellowship Director



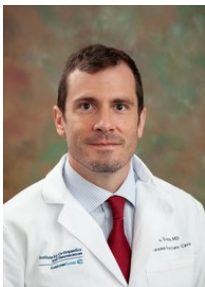
J. Randolph Clements, D.P.M.
Section Chief



Peter Apel, M.D.



Franco Coniglione, M.D.



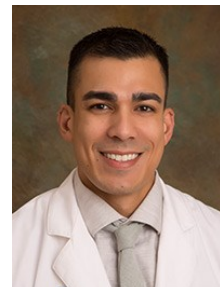
Cody Evans, M.D.



Corey Fidler, D.P.M.



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Jason Naldo, D.P.M.



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