



# **Surgical Critical Care Fellowship – Department of Surgery**

## **Program Overview:**

The program is a one-year accredited Surgical Critical Care Fellowship integrated with a general surgery residency at a tertiary regional referral center located at Erlanger Health System in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Erlanger is the 6<sup>th</sup> largest public health system in the US. Also Beckers Hospital Review has ranked Erlanger as the 7<sup>th</sup> busiest emergency care system in the country.

The Surgery Residency Review Committee (RRC) approved our program for up to two fellows each year. The hospital facility houses its own flight program with aeromedical helicopters which transport a variety of emergency general surgery, vascular, and trauma patients from a 120-mile radius. The fellowship is attended by six full-time faculty general surgeons who are board certified in surgical critical care.

In eleven months of the academic year, each Fellow rotates on the Surgical Critical Care Services which provide care for a variety of trauma, general surgery, vascular, and obstetrical critical care patients with an average daily census of 20-24 patients. A one – month elective is also offered. The fellowship also offers unique experience with continuous renal replacement therapy and airway pressure release ventilation.

#### **Conferences:**

The program provides didactic weekly grand rounds, surgical critical care teaching rounds, bi-monthly critical care lectures/journal club meetings, and general surgery journal club meetings. Weekly institutional basic science and morbidity and mortality correlation conferences also provide additional instruction.

### **Requirements:**

Prior to entering the Surgical Critical Care Fellowship the applicant must be a clinical PGY-4 level or higher at the time they would begin the fellowship program in an approved ACGME or RCPSC General Surgery Residency Program and **be board eligible** in general surgery.



# **Application Procedure:**

Applications to the Fellowship go through the SCC and ACS Fellowship Application Service (SAFAS). Matching process will go through the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP). Deadline for receiving applications is September 1<sup>st</sup>.





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