MEET THE TEAM

The board-certified surgeons at the Surgical Services & Hernia Center at Northwest Hospital are dedicated to working with each patient to develop individual care and treatment plans that fit their specific conditions and lifestyles. Our providers share a commitment to personalized, attentive care and a focus on minimally invasive treatments and procedures. As part of UW Medicine, we also provide patients access to the broader clinical and research expertise of one of the nation’s leading healthcare organizations.

**MARK THOMAS BRASKSTAD M.D.**  
General and Hernia Surgery  
Board certified in general surgery and pediatrics  
UW Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery  
**Specialties:** Full range of general surgery; advanced laparoscopy, hernia surgery, breast surgery, gallbladder and gastrointestinal diseases  
**Care Philosophy:** Dr. Brakstad is unconditionally committed to excellent patient care and supporting patients and their families through the healing process.

**ERIN O. LANGE M.D., M.S.P.H.**  
Colon & Rectal Surgery  
Board-certified in general surgery and colon and rectal surgery  
UW Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery  
**Specialties:** Colon and rectal cancer; inflammatory bowel disease; diverticulitis; complex anorectal disorders; pelvic floor disorders; fecal incontinence; minimally invasive surgery; anorectal ultrasound; colonoscopy.  
**Care Philosophy:** Dr. Lange strives to create a trusting and private environment in which to design an evidence-based care plan tailored for each patient.

**BENJAMIN LERNER, M.D., F.A.C.S.**  
Vascular Surgery  
Board-certified in general and vascular surgery  
**Specialties:** Abdominal aortic aneurysm; EVAR; carotid disease; carotid stenting; peripheral vascular disease; endovascular therapy; dialysis access; anticoagulation; deep venous thrombosis (DVT).  
**Care Philosophy:** Dr. Lerner’s driving passion is the ability to personally correct problems, offer comfort in difficult situations, and to save lives.

**ALISON LYTLE PERRIN M.D., F.A.C.S.**  
General and Hernia Surgery  
Board-certified in general surgery  
UW Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery  
**Specialties:** Broad range of general surgery including: abdominal/GI surgery, breast cancer; minimally invasive and advanced laparoscopy and robotic surgery; hernias; thyroid; varicose veins; dialysis access; colorectal disease; gallbladder  
**Care Philosophy:** Dr. Perrin enjoys getting to know her patients and their (continued)
families. She wants them to be knowledgeable about their diagnosis and treatment options, to help optimize and personalize their surgical care.

REBECCA PRINCE PETERSEN, M.D., MSc.
Hernia Surgery
Board-certified in general surgery
UW Clinical Assistant Professor
Specialties: Complex, multiple recurrent abdominal wall hernia repair and reconstruction; inguinal hernias; femoral hernias; umbilical hernias; sports hernias; all gastrointestinal disorders requiring advanced laparoscopy
Care Philosophy: Dr. Petersen believes in establishing a partnership with her patients, to inform them about the medical and surgical aspects of their disease and to work with them so they better understand what to expect.

TERENCE QUIGLEY, M.D., F.A.C.S.
Vascular Surgery
Board certified in general and vascular surgery
Chief of Surgery, Northwest Hospital & Medical Center
Attending Physician, Northwest Hospital Wound Care & Hyperbaric Center
UW Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery
Specialties: complex wound care, hyperbaric medicine, vascular ultrasound, aortic disease, carotid disease and lower extremity vascular disease, and administrative medicine.
Care Philosophy: Dr. Quigley appreciates the challenges of treating aging patients and takes a considered and thoughtful approach to patients in their 80s and 90s for whom surgical solutions are not always the best answer. Listening to his patients and their families and arriving at a mutually agreeable treatment plan is the basis of his patient care philosophy.

ALLEGRA SAVING, M.D.
General and Hernia Surgery
Board certified in general surgery
UW Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery
Specialties: Minimally invasive surgery including advanced laparoscopy and robotic surgery; breast surgery for both benign and malignant disease; gastrointestinal diseases; hernia repair; gallbladder disease.
Care Philosophy: Dr. Saving believes the relationship between a surgeon and his or her patients is a true partnership and that listening to a patient's concerns and potential anxiety surrounding surgery is paramount to strengthening that relationship. She strives to work in partnership with her patients to determine a personalized treatment course.

NICOLE WHITE, M.D., F.A.C.S.
General and Hernia Surgery
Board-certified in general surgery
UW Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery
Section Head of General Surgery, Northwest Hospital & Medical Center
Cancer Liaison Physician, Northwest Hospital & Medical Center
Specialties: General surgery; surgical treatment of gastroesophageal reflux disease; esophageal, hiatal hernia, gallbladder, stomach, hernia and colon surgery; and advanced laparoscopy and robotic surgical procedures.
Care Philosophy: Dr. White gets to know her patients and understand their stories so she can manage their care and recovery. She spends a great deal of time with each patient prior to surgery, at their bedside during recovery and for any follow-up care they may need.

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ANDREW STONE WRIGHT, M.D.
General and Hernia Surgery
Board-certified in general surgery
Director, UW Medicine Hernia Center
UW Clinical Associate Professor
Fellowship Director, Advanced Gastrointestinal Surgery Fellowship
Associate Program Director for Technical Skills Education, UW General Surgery Residency

Specialties: Inguinal hernia; groin hernia; groin pain; ventral hernia; incisional hernia; umbilical hernia; epigastric hernia; hiatal hernia; hernia; gastroesophageal reflux disease; gastric cancer; stomach cancer; gastrointestinal stromal tumor; achalasia; swallowing problems; nutcracker esophagus; diffuse esophageal spasm; cholecystectomy; gallbladder removal; cholecystitis; cholelithiasis; endoscopy.

Care Philosophy: Dr. Wright’s goal is to help patients maximize quality of life, whether using advanced technology to minimize pain and recovery after surgery, coordinating care among providers on the patient’s care team, or guiding patients through complex decision-making when surgery is not an option.

ROBERT YATES, M.D.
General and Hernia Surgery
Board-certified in general surgery
UW Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery

Specialties: Treatment of a wide range of hernias, such as inguinal/groin, ventral, incisional, umbilical, parastomal, hiatal and paraesophageal; advanced abdominal wall reconstruction, gastroesophageal surgery, gastroesophageal reflux disease, achalasia, gallbladder disease, minimally invasive surgery, laparoscopic surgery and endoscopic surgery

Care Philosophy: Dr. Yates believes providing surgical care is a true privilege. He believes that patients do not simply have a disease that needs treatment, but strives to understand the clinical and social factors that define a patient’s goals and expectations for their surgical care.

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