

CURRICULUM VITAE

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**Current Title:** Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery

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**Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen **Education:**

**Undergraduate:** BS (Cum Laude) 1972

Louisiana State University Baton Rouge, Louisiana

**Graduate/Medical:** MD 1976

Louisiana State University School of Medicine Shreveport, Louisiana

**Internship:** Louisiana State University School of Medicine Shreveport, LA Department of Surgery

07/01/1976-06/30/1977

**Residency:** Louisiana State University School of Medicine Shreveport, LA Department of Surgery (General Surgery)

07/01/1977-06/30/1981

**Certification:** American Board of Surgery – 1984

Recertification – 10/94 Recertification – 10/04 Recertification – 12/13

**Licensure:** Louisiana License # MD.013632

Valid through 8/31/2023

## Academic, Professional, and Research Appointments:

Highland Clinic (Multi-Specialty Group) Shreveport, Louisiana

07/81 – 06/88

Solo Practice

Lancaster, South Carolina 07/88 – 03/93

Surgeons Group of Baton Rouge/Our Lady of the Lake Physicians Group

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 04/93 – 07/31/15

Clinical Associate Professor of Surgery LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans Site Director Baton Rouge Campus 09/01/15 to present

Surgical Clerkship Director

LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans Baton Rouge Campus

09/01/15 to present

## Membership in Professional Organizations:

Louisiana State Medical Society

East Baton Rouge Parish Medical Society Society of Laparoendoscopic Surgeons

American Society of General Surgeons, Charter Member American Hernia Society

Lancaster County Medical Society, 1988–93 South Carolina State Medical Society, 1998–93

Graduate Medical Education Committee, 2013–present

Chief of General Surgery, Our Lady of the Lake, 2012–present Chief of Staff, Our Lady of the Lake, 2005

Vice Chief of Staff, Our Lady of the Lake, 2004 Chief, General Surgery, Woman’s Hospital, 2004 Chairman, Credentials Committee, 2002–2003

Chairman, Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee, 2000–2001 Our Lady of the Lake Medical Executive Committee, 1999–2006 Vice Chief of Surgery, Our Lady of the Lake, 1999–2001

Board of Directors, Lake Physician/Hospital Organization (LPHO), 1999–2001

Cancer Liaison Physician—American College of Surgeons/Our Lady of the Lake and Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center, 1997–2003

Vice Chief of Staff, 1993, Lancaster, SC

Chairman, Surgical Tissue Committee, 1990–92, Lancaster, SC Chief of Surgery, 1990, Lancaster, SC

Credentials Committee, 1991–92, Lancaster, SC Long Range Planning Committee, 1986–87

(HCA/Highland Clinic — joint venture)

Member of Joint Management Committee, Cigna Health Plan, 1984--87

Executive Committee (governing board) Highland Clinic, 1985–87 Credentials Committee, 1985, Shreveport, LA

Chief of Surgery, Highland Hospital, 1986 Surgical Tissue Committee, 1985, Shreveport, LA

Critical Care Committee, 1984 and 1986, Shreveport, LA

## Awards and Honors:

Selected for membership Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, April, 2021

Chapman Lee, M.D. Award for Outstanding Faculty Member as voted By Medical Students 2019-2020

Outstanding Faculty Member Award (as voted by the Surgery Residents), Department of Surgery, LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans, 2014–2015

Outstanding Overall Resident, 1981

Outstanding Fourth Year Surgical Resident, 1980 Outstanding Intern, LSU Medical Center, 1976

Doctor–Patient Relationship Award, LSU Medical Center Graduating Class, 1976

# TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

## Course/Clerkship/Residency or Fellowship/CME Directorships

Clerkship Director for third and fourth year students both Baton Rouge based and those rotating from New Orleans. This involves daily clinical supervision and twice weekly small groups didactic sessions.

I was involved in direct supervision of minimally invasive fellows from 2005 to 2015 through our minimally invasive fellowship associated with our private practice.

Site director for general surgery Baton Rouge campus of the LSU New Orleans Department of Surgery. This involves daily supervision of residents on the LSU Baton Rouge rotation (formally known as EKL rotation). Emphasis is on staffing the outpatient clinic two days per week and staffing outpatient surgery cases three days per week.

## Curriculum Development/Implementation

Facilitated the development of third year medical student surgical subspecialty rotations in urology, neurosurgery and pediatric surgery.

## Departmental/Interdisciplinary Teaching Conferences

Coordinate weekly grand rounds, morbidity and mortality conference and pre-op Conference.

Participate in weekly tumor conference.

## Teaching Awards:

W. Chapman Lee, M.D. Award for Outstanding Faulty Member as voted by Medical Students 2019-2020

Outstanding Faculty Member Award (as voted by the Surgery

Residents), Department of Surgery, LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans, 2014–2015

## Journal Publications:

LeBlanc, K.A., Whitaker, J.M. “Laparoscopic Incisional and Ventral Hernioplasty: Lessons Learned from 200 Patients.” *Hernia*, 2003.

LeBlanc, K.A., Whitaker, J.M. “Management of Chronic Postoperative Pain Following Incisional Hernia Repair with Composix® Mesh.” *Hernia* 6:194–197, 2002.

LeBlanc, K.A., Booth, W.V., Bellanger, D.E., Whitaker, J.M. “Laparoscopic Incisional and Ventral Herniorraphy: Our Initial 100 Patients.” *Hernia* 5:41–45, 2001.

LeBlanc, K.A., Booth, W.V., Whitaker, J.M., Bellanger, D.E. “Laparoscopic Incisional and Ventral Herniorraphy in 100 Patients.” *American Journal of Surgery* 180 (3):193–197, 2000.

LeBlanc, K.A., Booth, W.V., Whitaker, J.M., Baker, D. “In Vivo Study of Meshes Implanted Over the Inguinal Ring and External Iliac Vessels in Uncastrated Pigs.” *Surgical Endoscopy* 12:247–251, 1998.

LeBlanc, K.A., Booth, W.V., Whitaker, J.M. “Laparoscopic Repair of Ventral Hernias Using an Intraperitoneal Onlay Patch: Report of Current Results.” *Contemporary Surgery* 45(4): 211– 214, 1994.

Griffen, F.D., Knight, Sr., C.D., Whitaker, J.M., Knight, Jr., C.D. “The Double-Stapling Technique for Low Anterior Resection — Results, Modifications, and Observations.” *Annals of Surgery*, Vol. 211, June 1990, pages 745–752.

Knight, Sr., C.D., Griffen, F.D., Whitaker, J.M., Knight, Jr., C.D. “Stapled Colo-Rectal Anastomosis Through Stapled Distal Rectum.” *Current Practice of Surgical Stapling* by Mark M. Ravitch, Felicien M. Steichen, Roger Welter, Chapter 49, pages 295–304.

Elieson, M.J., Whitaker, J.M., LeBlanc, K.A. “Laparoscopic Parastomal Hernia Repair,” in

*Recurrent Hernia*, ed. Schumpelick V. and Fitzgibbons R.J., Springer, 233-239, 2007.

Carter, P.R., Allain, B.W., Kleinpeter, K.P., Rhynes, V.K., Whitaker, J.M., Hausmann, M.G., LeBlanc, K.A. “Does Expanded Polytetrafluoroethylene Mesh Really Shrink After Laparoscopic Ventral Hernia Repair?” *Hernia* 2011, ePub ahead of print.

## Books:

**Book Chapters:**

Whitaker, J.M. “Complications of Laparoscopic Splenectomy” in *Complications of Laparoscopic Surgery*, K.A. LeBlanc, ed., 2004.

## Scientific Presentations:

Nath, A., Leblanc, K.A., Whitaker, J.M., Rhynes, V.K., Hausmann, M.G. “Umbilical Hernia Repair with a Bioresorbable Plug.” American Hernia Society Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL. 17–20 March 2010.

Carter, P.R., LeBlanc, K.A., Hausmann, M.G., Whitaker, J.M., Rhynes, V.K., Kleinpeter, K.P., Allain, B.W. “Transoral Incisionless Fundoplication and Stomaphyx: Initial Experience with Natural Orifice Surgery.” American College of Surgeons, Louisiana Chapter Meeting, New Orleans, LA. 17–18 Jan. 2010.

# SERVICE ACTIVITIES

## University/Institutional Service:

**Departmental committees**

Residency Interview Committee

## Hospital committees

Graduate Medical Education Committee

## Clinical Service:

**Clinic coverage**

Staff outpatient clinics for LSU surgical service Staff outpatient surgery for LSU surgical service

## Administrative Responsibilities: Departmental

Site Director general surgery Baton Rouge campus of LSUHSC New Orleans

## School

Clerkship Director third year medical students general surgery