

Faculty Biography



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Dr. Gillian completed a unique fellowship in advanced laparoscopic surgery after his general surgery training in 1998 at the Minimally Invasive Surgical Training Institute (M.I.S.T.I.) just outside of Baltimore. This was under the guidance of W. Peter Geis, M.D., a respected innovator and dedicated surgeon trainer during the early evolution of laparoscopic surgery. This was a unique time in minimally invasive surgery as many of the innovative techniques and equipment used now trace their roots to that time. Consequently, Dr. Gillian had the rare opportunity to participate in the development of many procedures, equipment and surgical materials that are in use today. Many of the “cutting edge” procedures that are often touted by surgeons and hospitals were a routine part of Dr. Gillian’s practice more than a decade ago. For example, Dr. Gillian has been performing selected surgeries with the daVinci Robotic platform since 2009 and was the first is surgeon in Virginia or Washington D.C. allowed to implant the LINX device for reflux control. Consequently Dr. Gillian has become a common fixture on the national lecture circuit for surgeon training and at times a featured speaker on the international stage. He has facilitated the hands on training and proctoring of surgeons in other specialties like Urology, Ob/Gyn and Cardiothoracic surgery as well.

Dr. Gillian’s techniques and experience in laparoscopic abdominal and inguinal hernia repair are well known in the surgical community and it is not unusual to have visiting surgeons in his operating room to learn his techniques many times a year. In fact he often gets referrals from regional surgeons to evaluate patients due to his expertise in this complex and evolving field.

