

Faculty Biography



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Dr. Kent W. Kercher is a Board Certified general surgeon who is currently Chief of Minimal Access Surgery and Co-Director of the Carolinas Laparoscopic and Advanced Surgery Program (CLASP). He joined the Department of General Surgery faculty at the Carolinas Medical Center, Charlotte, NC, in the year 2000 after completing Fellowship training in Minimally Invasive Surgery at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center. His primary clinical focus includes minimally invasive solid organ and gastrointestinal surgery, laparoscopic hernia repair, and abdominal wall reconstruction.

In addition to establishing the laparoscopic live donor nephrectomy program within the Division of Transplantation, he is the Vice-Chief of Surgery at the Carolinas Medical Center, Co-Director of the Carolinas Hernia Institute and Director of the CMC Adrenal Center within the Division of GI and Minimally Invasive Surgery. The Division trains six clinical and research fellows annually and has an active clinical and basic science lab which focuses on the study of surgical instrumentation, biomaterials, and surgical education.

Dr. Kercher has written 16 book chapters, co-authored over 170 peer-reviewed publications and is an invited peer reviewer for multiple surgical journals. He has been awarded numerous honors by his peers, is an invited speaker both nationally and internationally, and serves on the Board of Directors for the Americas Hernia Society.

Dr. Kercher is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a member of the Society of American and Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons, Southeastern Surgical Congress and the Southern Surgical Association.

