Explore a Career in Endocrine Surgery

What is Endocrine Surgery?

A field focused on the treatment of a wide variety of endocrinopathies, including disorders of the thyroid, parathyroid glands, adrenal glands, and neuroendocrine disorders of the GI tract and pancreas.

History of Endocrine Surgery

Theodor Kocher paved the path for Endocrine Surgery with his seminal work on physiology, pathology, and surgery of the thyroid earning him a Nobel Prize in 1909.

Since then, Endocrine Surgery has grown and flourished on the shoulders of giants in the field. Fellowship training launched in the 1980s.

Why Endocrine Surgery Fellowship?

• Receive in-depth, specialized training that fosters development of both vital knowledge and operative skills opening doors to a rewarding career
• A diverse training opportunity to build a broad skillset and gain confidence in handling complex clinical scenarios.
• A multidisciplinary training approach including close collaboration with endocrinologists, radiologists, pathologists, and other specialists to manage complex cases and provide comprehensive patient care.
• Contribute to the advancement of the field through research, scientific publications, and presentations at national and international conferences.
• An exponentially growing demand due to the increasing diagnosis of endocrine conditions and the nuances required of endocrine surgeons to provide expert care.
• Competitive edge in the job market. Combine with general surgery and/or another specialty focus.
• Endless career development opportunities in academic surgery, private practice, or research.
How to Become an Endocrine Surgeon

AAES Accredited Fellowships

- Nearly 30 Clinical Fellowship Programs across the United States and Canada participate in the match process
- Additional AAES accredited Fellowship program in Mexico City
- Opportunities in some programs for additional research-focused years
- Non-ACGME fellowship programs facilitating greater flexibility and independence in training

Easily Navigated Match Process

- Online application opens in February each year
- Interviews are held April-July
- Online ranking for applications and programs takes place in July
- Secondary match opportunity for unfilled positions
- Match results announced in August

Getting Involved as a Trainee

Become a resident/medical student member to experience additional access to resources:

- Medical students in an LCME-accredited institution or equivalent body are eligible for Medical Student Membership.
- Membership requires a nominal fee.
- Applications accepted on rolling basis

AAES Annual Meeting

- Attend the annual meeting and learn about new advances in the field
- Abstract submission site opens September 1 and closes November 1 of each year.

Member Benefits

- Access to up to date Practice Guidelines and tools for commonly encountered endocrine disorders
- List of upcoming courses and meetings
- Review of Landmark Articles that have shaped current management
- Job Listings for those finishing their training or seeking new employment
- Educational videos for commonly performed operations or procedure