

SEUNG S. GWON, MD, FACS

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

General Surgeon

Seung S. Gwon, M.D., Inc. 2005 - Present
Private surgical practice

El Centro Regional Medical Center, El Centro, CA 2005 - Present
www.ecrmc.org
Rural community hospital in Southern California - active member of staff

Additional positions held at ECRMC

- **Chief Medical Officer** 2024 - present
- **Assistant Chief Medical Officer for Quality** 2021 - 2023
- **Board of Trustees, Member** 2021 - 2022
- **Chief of Medical Staff** 2019 - 2020
- **Chief, Department of Surgery** 2015 - 2018
- **Guest Lecturer, Continuing Nursing Education** Ongoing

Pioneers Memorial Hospital, Brawley, CA 2005 - Present
pmhd.org
Rural community hospital in Southern California - active member of staff

Other Endeavors

The Vein Clinic, Inc 2009 - Present
Co-owner and Provider
Specialty clinic providing veins treatments and minimally invasive aesthetic procedures.

Imperial County Physicians Medical Group 2007 - Present
Finance Director 2021 - 2023

Friends With Purpose 2016 - Present
Non-profit organization that conducts volunteer medical missions.
Team Leader and Surgeon on missions 2017 - Present
President, Board of Directors 2018 - Present

Imperial Valley College
Lecturer in the Nursing Program 2011 - 2016

EDUCATION

Doctor of Medicine The Chicago Medical School, IL	June 2000
General Surgery Resident Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, Santa Barbara, CA Loyola University Medical Center, Maywood, IL	2002 - 2005 2000 - 2001
Masters of Science, Cell Biology and Anatomy Finch University of Health Sciences, IL	June 2000
Bachelor of Science, Biology University of California, Los Angeles	June 1991

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Diplomate, American Board of Surgery	2006 - Present
Fellow of American College of Surgeons	2008 - Present
Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons	2011 - Present
SAGES Educational Resources Committee	2012 - 2015
SAGES Community Practice Committee	2018 - Present
American Medical Association, member	Present
American Hernia Society	2022 - Present
American Hernia Society, DEI Committee	2022 - Present

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

Speaker, Women in DaVinci Surgery Topic: "Stepping Out of Your Comfort Zone"	2024
Topic: "Case Study: How to Find Your Best Self Power When You Go Back To Work"	2024
Award, SAGES Excellence in Community Surgery Award	2024
Moderator, SAGES Global Surgery Session	2024
Speaker, SAGES Fellows Career Development Course Topic: Finding a Job "Community Based Practice"	2023
Speaker, SAGES Topic: "Linked-in for Surgeons"	2012
Topic: "Getting Innovations to Rural Surgeons"	2022
Topic: "Rural Surgery: The Renaissance Surgeon"	2022
Speaker, American Hernia Society Topic: "Bringing New Technologies to Smaller Hospitals"	2022
Speaker, ACS Topic: "Social Media for Professional Networking"	2013

Resident Teaching Award
Award For Outstanding Achievement
Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, Santa Barbara, CA

June 2005
June 2005

Chief Surgical Resident
Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, Santa Barbara, CA

2004 - 2005

PUBLICATIONS

Caitlin Halbert, Robert Catania, David Earle, Igo Elyash, Nicole Fearing, Seung Gwon, Rohan Joseph, Fernando Mier, Andrew Morfesi, Roy Shen, Daniel Slack, Shirin Towfigh, Jarvis Walters, Kevin Wasco, Debbie Youngelman. "SAGES White Paper on the Current State of Community Practice Surgeons: Re-Discovering the Value of our Community Practice Surgeons" 2021

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