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Vision Statement

I will treat all patients in a timely, respectful, honest and humble manner. I will strive to improve the quality of life and reduce the suffering of those individuals with spinal and neurosurgical pathology. Without prejudice or undue influence, I will utilize the most appropriate modern spinal technologies to achieve that end.

Subspecialty Interests

Minimally Invasive Spinal Fusion
Minimally Invasive Spinal Technologies and Surgical Approaches
Spinal Tumors
Spinal Deformity, "Failed Back" Syndrome
Adult Scoliosis

Appointments/Hospital Affiliations

Methodist Hospitals of San Antonio
North Central and St Lukes Baptist Hospitals
The Spine Hospital of South Texas
Clinical Assistant Professor, Dept of Neurosurgery, University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio
2002-present

Past Appointments/Military Service

Major, US Army Medical Corps, Chief of Neurosurgery, BAMC
1999-2003

Graduate Medical Education

The University of Tennessee- Memphis - Semmes-Murphey Clinic
Neurosurgery Residency Training Program 1994-99

Dwight David Eisenhower Army Medical Center
Surgical Internship 1993-94

Medical Education

Georgetown University School of Medicine 1989-93
MD 1993

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Undergraduate Education	<i>The University of Texas at Austin</i> 1985-89 BA Economics 1989
Neurosurgery Boards Part I:	Taken and Passed 1995
Part 2:	Taken and Passed May 02
Current Licensure	Texas - K9999
Organizations	American College of Surgeons, American Medical Association, Congress of Neurological Surgeons, American Association of Neurological Surgeons, Joint Section of Spinal Surgery, AANS/CN Bexar County Medical Society, Texas Association of Neurological Surgeons, University of the Texas Ex-Student Association
Publications/Presentations	Infundibuloneurohypophysitis in Children: A Report of Two Cases. <i>Pediatric Neurosurgery</i> 1999; 30:267-71. Chordoma and Chondrosarcoma in Kaye and Black <i>Operative Neurosurgery</i> , 2000 Hypothalamic Inflammatory Disorders: Presentation at AANS Pediatric Section 1997 CPA Tumors: Poster for AANS Meeting 1998 Arnold Chiari Malformation: Poster for AANS Meeting 1999 Spine Trauma: Presentation at Military Trauma Symposium 2000 Retrospective Study of Semi-constrained vs Constrained Anterior Cervical Plating Systems: Poster for AANS Spine Section 2003 Kyphoplasty Applications: Texas Association of Neurological Surgeon 2005
Teaching Experience	Clinical Instructor of residents in training: Brooke Army Medical Center and the University of Texas at San Antonio 1999-2003 MAST (Minimal Access Technology) Course, MERI Memphis, TN 2000 present International Course for Minimally Invasive Surgery, MERI Memphis, TN 2004 IDET (Intradiscal Electrothermal Therapy) Course, BAMC, 2002 Kyphoplasty Training Instructor, San Antonio, TX 2005
Clinical Investigations	Co-investigator, Kyphoplasty for Metastatic Lesions Co-investigator, Kyphoplasty and Pulmonary Functions Co-investigator, Clinical Trial Spinal Concepts Coda Device for lumbar interbody fusion - Brooke Army Medical Center Co-investigator, Randomized Trial of Physical Therapy for Lumbar Spinal Stenosis - Brooke Army Medical Center

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Clinical Course Certifications

Charite Total Disc Arthroplasty
MAST Course (Faculty)
IDET Course (Faculty)
Gamma Knife Course
Kyphon inflatable Balloon Tamp Technology
Sextant Percutaneous Pedicle Screw
IDET Percutaneous Electrothermal Therapy Treatment
American Osteomedix Vertebroplasty
BAK Lumbar Interbody Fusion
Stealth Frameless Stereotaxy
MED Microendoscopic Discectomy
Midas Rex

Family/Hobbies

Wife Lisa (RN, homemaker), children Allison 4 and Amelia 2
Golf and woodworking