**Surgical Core Curriculum – General Surgery July 2012 to June 2013**
This academic year’s weekly general surgery chapter club is based from the American Board of Surgery’s “SCORE” curriculum (www.surgicalcore.org). You will receive password access to the website. The weekly assignments are listed starting on the next page. PLEASE READ THE ASSIGNED TOPIC PRIOR TO THE CHAPTER CLUB CONFERENCE AT YOUR HOSPITAL (Thursdays at all hospitals except for Friday at Denver Health). There are no mandatory questions for this year’s curriculum. However, I have referenced how you can find practice multiple choice questions on the SCORE website. If you do not like the SCORE curriculum reading material, I have listed other texts and audio references which have been recommended by the senior general surgery residents. Please provide feedback and comments on the curriculum to thomas.robinson@ucdenver.edu.

**Comprehensive Hardback Textbooks**
- Schwartz's Principles of Surgery, Ninth Edition by F. Brunicardi, Dana Andersen, Timothy Billiar and David Dunn (Hardcover - Sep 11, 2009)
- Greenfield's Surgery: Scientific Principles and Practice 5e (Mulholland, Greenfield's Surgery) by Michael W. Mulholland MD PhD, Michael W. Mulholland, Keith D. Lillemoe and Gerard M. Doherty MD (Kindle Edition - Jan 1, 2012)

**Clinically Focused Textbooks**
- Current Surgical Therapy: Expert Consult - Online and Print (Current Therapy) by John L. Cameron MD FACS FRCS(Eng)(hon) FRCSI(hon) and Andrew M Cameron MD PhD (Hardcover - Dec 21, 2010)
- Mastery of Surgery, 2 Volume Set by Josef E. Fischer and Kirby I. Bland (Hardcover - Dec 18, 2006)
- Operative Anatomy by Carol E. H. Scott-Conner and David L. Dawson (Hardcover - Dec 23, 2008)

**Paperback Textbooks**

**Less-Comprehensive Fact Based Books**
- Surgical Recall (Recall Series) by Lorne H. Blackbourne MD FACS (Paperback - Jun 16, 2012)
- Abernathy's Surgical Secrets by Alden H. Harken MD (Paperback - Dec 19, 2008)
- The ABSITE Review by Steven M. Fiser (Paperback - Sep 16, 2010)

**Question Books**
- Rush University Medical Center Review of Surgery by Steven D. Bines MD, Jose M. Velasco MD, Keith W. Millikan MD and Theodore J. Saclarides MD (Paperback - Sep 1, 2006)

**Audio Books**
- SESAP 14 Audio CME Companion - General Surgery CME and Board Review Audio
- Digest General Surgery - 24 Audio Issues
- Osler General Surgery Written and Oral Board Exam Review Courses MP3 Audio
Week 0 – July 9 to 13, 2012
Topic: Fluids & Electrolytes and Acid – Base Balance
Reading: Medical Knowledge ► Search by category ► Fluids and Electrolytes
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Fluids and Electrolytes and Acid - Base Balance ► Ques. 1 - 5

Week 1 – July 16 to 20, 2012
Topic: Surgical Critical Care (Week I)
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Surgical Critical Care
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Surgical Critical Care ► Questions 1 - 5

Week 2 – July 23 to 27, 2012
Topic: Surgical Critical Care (Week II)
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Surgical Critical Care
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Surgical Critical Care ► Questions 6 - 10

Week 3 – July 30 to Aug 3, 2012
Topic: Trauma (Week I)
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Trauma
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Trauma ► Questions 1 - 5

Week 4 - Aug 6 to 10, 2012
Topic: Trauma (Week II)
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Trauma
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Trauma ► Questions 6 - 10

Week 5 - Aug 13 to 17, 2012
Topic: Transfusion and Disorders in Coagulation
Reading: Medical Knowledge ► Search by category ► Transfusion and Disorders in Coagulation
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Transfusion and Disorders in Coagulation ► Questions 1 - 5

Week 6 - Aug 20 to 24, 2012
Topic: Pre-Operative Evaluation and Peri-Operative Care
Reading: Medical Knowledge ► Search by category ► Pre-Op Evaluation and Peri-Op Care
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Pre-Op Evaluation and Peri-Op Care ► Questions 1 - 2
Multiple Choice Questions ► Anesthesia ► Questions 5, 12, 13

Week 7 - Aug 7 to Aug 31, 2012
Topic: Thyroid & Parathyroid
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Endocrine
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Endocrine ► Questions 2, 3, 4, 12, 13

Week 8 - Sept 3 to 7, 2012
Topic: Adrenal & Pituitary
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Endocrine
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Endocrine ► Questions 1, 5, 6, 10, 11

Week 9 - Sept 10 to 14, 2012
Week 10 - Sept 17 to 21, 2012
Topic: Pancreas
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Abdomen - Pancreas
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Abdomen – Pancreas ► Questions 1 - 5

Week 11 - Sept 24 to 28, 2012
Topic: Thoracic Surgery
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Thoracic Surgery
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Thoracic Surgery ► Questions 1 – 2
Multiple Choice Questions ► Trauma ► Questions 21, 24, 25

Week 12 – Oct 1 to 5, 2012
Topic: Surgical Infection and Antimicrobial Therapy
Reading: Medical Knowledge ► Search by category ► Surgical Infection and Antimicrobial Therapy
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Infection and Antimicrobial Therapy

Week 13 – Oct 8 to 12, 2012
Topic: Abdomen - Hernia
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Abdomen - Hernia
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Abdomen - Hernia

Week 14 – Oct 15 to 19, 2012
Topic: Abdomen - Biliary
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Abdomen - Biliary
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Abdomen - Biliary

Week 15 - Oct 22 to 26, 2012
Topic: Abdomen - Liver
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Abdomen - Liver
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Abdomen - Liver

Week 16 – Oct 29 to Nov 2, 2012
Topic: Abdomen - Spleen
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Abdomen - Spleen
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Abdomen - Spleen

Week 17 – Nov 5 to 9, 2012
Topic: Alimentary Tract - Esophagus
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Alimentary Tract - Esophagus
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Alimentary Tract - Esophagus

Week 18 – Nov 12 to 16, 2012
Topic: Alimentary Tract - Stomach
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Alimentary Tract - Stomach
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Alimentary Tract - Stomach

Week 19 – Nov 19 to 23, 2012
No Assignment – Thanksgiving Week

Week 20 – Nov 26 to 30, 2012
Topic: Alimentary Tract – Small Intestine
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Alimentary Tract – Small Intestine
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Alimentary Tract – Small Intestine

Week 21 – Dec 3 to 7, 2012
Topic: Alimentary Tract – Large Intestine (Week I)
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Alimentary Tract – Large Intestine
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Alimentary Tract – Large Intestine

Week 22 – Dec 10 to 14, 2012
Topic: Alimentary Tract – Large Intestine (Week II)
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Alimentary Tract – Large Intestine
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Alimentary Tract – Large Intestine

Week 23 – Dec 17 to 21, 2012
Topic: Alimentary Tract – Anorectal
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Alimentary Tract – Anorectal
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Alimentary Tract – Anorectal

Week 24 – Dec 24 to 28, 2012
No Assignment – Holiday Week

Week 25 – Dec 31 2012 to Jan 4, 2013
Topic: Pharmacology
Reading: Medical Knowledge ► Search by category ► Pharmacology
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Pharmacology

Week 26 – Jan 7 to 11, 2013
Topic: Wound Healing
Reading: Medical Knowledge ► Search by category ► Wound Healing
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Wound Healing

Week 27 – Jan 14 to 18, 2013
Topic: Immunology
Reading: Medical Knowledge ► Search by category ► Immunology
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Immunology

Week 28 – Jan 21 to 25, 2013
No Assignment – ABSITE Week
Week 29 – Jan 28 to Feb 1, 2013
Topic: Skin and Soft Tissue
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Skin and Soft Tissue
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Skin and Soft Tissue

Week 30 – Feb 4 to 8, 2013
Topic: Breast
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Breast
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Breast

Week 31 – Feb 11 to 15, 2013
Topic: Oncology and Tumor Biology
Reading: Medical Knowledge ► Search by category ► Oncology and Tumor Biology
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Oncology and Tumor Biology

Week 32 – Feb 18 to Feb 22, 2013
Topic: Endoscopy
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Endoscopy
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► None

Week 33 – Feb 25 to Mar 1, 2013
Topic: Vascular Arterial Disease
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Vascular Arterial Disease
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Vascular Arterial Disease

Week 34 – Mar 4 to 8, 2013
Topic: Vascular Venous
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Vascular Venous
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Vascular Venous

Week 35 – Mar 11 to 15, 2013
Topic: Pediatric Surgery
Reading: Patient Care ► Search by category ► Pediatric Surgery
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Pediatric Surgery

Week 36 – Mar 18 to 22, 2013
Topic: Anesthesia
Reading: Medical Knowledge ► Search by category ► Anesthesia
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Anesthesia

Week 37 – Mar 25 to 29, 2013
Topic: Biostatistics and Medical Evaluation
Reading: Medical Knowledge ► Search by category ► Biostatistics and Medical Evaluation
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions ► Biostatistics and Medical Evaluation
Week 38 – Apr 1 to 5, 2013  
Topic: Geriatric Surgery and End of Life Care  
Reading: Medical Knowledge  
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions

Week 39 – Apr 8 to 12, 2013  
Topic: Nutrition and Metabolism  
Reading: Medical Knowledge  
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions

Week 40 – Apr 15 to 19, 2013  
Topic: Gynecology and Urology  
Reading: Patient Care  
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions

Week 41 – Apr 22 to 26, 2013  
Topic: Economics and Cost Accounting/Operations Management/Legal Safeguards/ Financial Stewardship  
Reading: Systems Based Practice  
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions

Week 42 – Apr 29 to May 3, 2013  
Topic: Operations Management  
Reading: Systems Based Practice  
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions

Week 43 – May 6 to 10, 2013  
Topic: Alimentary Tract – Large Intestine Operations  
Reading: Patient Care  
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions

Week 44 – May 13 to 17, 2013  
Topic: Alimentary Tract – Small Intestine Operations  
Reading: Patient Care  
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions

Week 45 – May 20 to 24, 2013  
Topic: Alimentary Tract – Anorectal Operations  
Reading: Patient Care  
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions

Week 46 – May 27 to 31, 2013  
Topic: Alimentary Tract – Stomach Operations  
Reading: Patient Care  
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions

Week 47 – June 3 to 7, 2013  
Topic: Abdomen – Hernia Operations  
Reading: Patient Care  
Questions: Multiple Choice Questions
Week 48 – June 10 to 14, 2013
Topic: Abdomen – Biliary Operations
Reading: Patient Care ➤ Search by operation ➤ Abdomen – Biliary

Week 49 – June 17 to 21, 2013
Topic: Alimentary Tract – Esophagus Operations
Reading: Patient Care ➤ Search by operation ➤ Alimentary Tract – Esophagus

Week 50 – June 24 to 28, 2013
No Assignment – Intern Week