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Philosophy of Care

I understand the importance of how medical care is delivered and have a keen interest in examining how robotic surgery, surgical education, and developing technologies can improve patient treatment options and outcomes. I believe we have only scratched the surface with the integration of innovative treatments like digital surgery. I believe in helping patients through the use of smarter technology for better surgical treatment and improved recovery. I also believe we have to use our experience, instinct, and imagination to reach beyond traditional boundaries to pave the way for better healthcare today and tomorrow.

Clinical Interests

Dr. Raskin leads the colorectal team with advancing state-of-the-art technologies and driving innovative surgical techniques to provide patients with cutting-edge comprehensive colorectal care. Dr. Raskin is double-board certified in general and colorectal surgery and fellowship trained in colorectal surgery with clinical expertise focusing on the treatment of complex colon, rectal and anal conditions and cancers, including laparoscopic, robot-assisted and open surgical techniques. She is also skilled in transanal endoscopic microsurgery (TEM) and transanal minimally invasive surgery (TAMIS).

Her clinical interests include advancing robotic surgery, surgical education and developing technologies to improve surgical outcomes.

Research/Academic Interests

Dr. Raskin's main areas of interest over the past decade have been robotic surgery, surgical education, and developing technology to improve surgical outcomes. Her clinical expertise focuses on the treatment of complex colon, rectal and anal conditions and cancers, including laparoscopic, robot-assisted and open surgical techniques. She is also skilled in transanal endoscopic microsurgery (TEM) and transanal minimally invasive surgery (TAMIS).

As a researcher, Dr. Raskin has specific interests in the population science of diverticulitis, surgical education, and using technology for quality improvement. She has written and contributed to numerous peer-reviewed publications and textbooks and has presented multiple national and international lectures on a wide array of colorectal topics. Dr. Raskin lectures, teaches and trains surgeons of all levels, allied health representatives, and industry on robotics.

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