



Ellen P. Fitzpatrick, M.D.

Philosophy of Care

My primary focus is fracture management, applying the latest evidence based techniques tailored to each individual fracture with focus on sound biomechanical principles and careful soft tissue management in order to optimize long term outcomes and patient function.

I believe in a comprehensive team approach to patient care, working closely with consulting services, physical & occupational therapy, and primary care providers to optimize the patient overall recovery and rehabilitation as well as prevention of future fractures.

Clinical Interests

Dr. Fitzpatrick's clinical interests include polytrauma patients, complex periarticular fracture of the upper and lower extremity, and long bone fractures.

Research/Academic Interests

Dr. Fitzpatrick's research focuses on clinical outcomes to improve patient care particularly related to complex foot and ankle and lower extremity trauma. Dr. Fitzpatrick has a genuine interest in education, taking an active role in both resident and medical student curriculum as a member of the resident education committee and serving as an IOR in the medical school curriculum at both the pre-clinical and clinical level.

Title Associate Clinical Professor

Specialty Orthopaedic Surgery - Trauma

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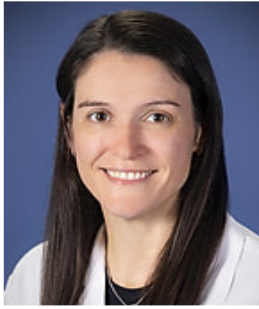
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Education M.D., UC San Diego School of Medicine, La Jolla CA 2009

B.S., Biology, UC Davis, Davis CA 2004

Residency Orthopaedic Surgery, Harvard Combined Orthopaedic Residency, Boston MA 2009-2014

Fellowships Orthopaedic Trauma, Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh PA 2014-2015



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Board Certifications

American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery
CA Medical Board, License, 2015

Professional Memberships

American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
American Medical Association
AO North America
AO Trauma North America
California Medical Association
Orthopaedic Trauma Association
Western Orthopaedic Association

Honors and Awards

Diamond Doc Award, Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers (HCAHP) survey, UC Davis Health, 2021
Orthopaedic Surgery Chief Resident, Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital, 2014
Merck Academic Achievement Award, 2010
UCD Division of Biological Sciences Citation for Outstanding Performance, 2004

Select Recent Publications

Fitzpatrick EP. Orthopedic Injury, Geriatric Hip Fractures. Rodriguez A, Barraco RD, Ivatury RR (eds). Geriatric Trauma and Acute Care Surgery, Springer International Publishing. 2018;7(12): 111-121.

Fitzpatrick EP, Kwon JY. Use of a pointed reduction clamp placed on the distal fibula to ensure proper restoration of fibular length and rotation and anatomic reduction of the syndesmosis: a technique tip. Foot Ankle Int. 2014 Sep;35(9):943-8. doi:10.1177/1071100714537628. Epub 2014 Jun 23. PMID:24958765.

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