

Curriculum Vitae

**Michael H. Safir, MD**

Align Surgical Associates  
Diplomate, American Board of Urology  
Diplomate, ABU - Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery

**RECONSTRUCTIVE GENITO-URINARY SURGERY  
GENITAL SURGERY FOR THE TRANS COMMUNITY**

**EDUCATION**

Fellowship: Reconstructive Urology and Trauma  
Department of Urology  
UCSF - San Francisco, CA  
Director: Jack W. McAninch, MD

Fellowship: Female Urology, Neuro-urology and Urodynamics  
Department of Urology  
UCLA – Los Angeles, CA  
Director: Shlomo Raz, MD

Residency: Residency in Urology  
Northwestern University Medical School – Chicago, IL  
1992-1997

Internship: Surgery  
Northwestern University Medical School – Chicago, IL  
1991-1992

Medical: Northwestern University Medical School – Chicago, IL  
Honors Program in Medical Education  
1987-1991

Undergraduate: Northwestern University College of Arts and Sciences – Evanston, IL  
Honors Program in Medical Education  
1985-1989

**FACULTY**

New York Medical College Assistant Professor of Urology	1999-2000
University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine Clinical Instructor	1998-1999

	University of California, Los Angeles School of Medicine Clinical Instructor	1997-1998
<b>POSITIONS</b>	President Vice President Secretary	LA Urological Society 2013-15 LA Urological Society 2012 LA Urological Society 2011
<b>HONORS</b>	<p>Surgeon Of Excellence – Surgical Review Corporation 2019-2022</p> <p>Dr. Susan Pearlman Award Northwestern Women's Physicians Assoc. “Awarded to the one graduating resident, among all specialties at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, who best exemplifies academic excellence, special leadership skills and compassion for patients”</p> <p>Pfizer Scholars in Urology Award “For leadership, innovation and outstanding achievement at Northwestern University Medical School”</p> <p>Medical School Research Fellowship Memorial Sloan-Kettering Medical Center New York, NY</p> <p>National Merit Scholar</p> <p>Westinghouse Science Honors Talent Search Semi-finalist</p>	
<b>PRACTICE EXPERIENCE</b>	Crane Center for Transgender Surgery San Francisco, CA	2017 - 2022
	Skyline Urology Sherman Oaks, CA and West Hills, CA	2011 - 2017
	Southern California Center for Advanced Urology West Hills, CA	2006 - present
	Western Urologic Associates West Hills, CA	2000 - 2006
	Urological Faculty Associates New York Medical College Hawthorne, NY	1999 - 2000
<b>LICENSURE</b>	Physician and Surgeon – State of California	1997 - present

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH)  
American Urological Association (AUA)  
Western Section AUA

**CERTIFICATION**

Diplomate, American Board of Urology 2002 - 2021  
Diplomate, ABU FPM and RS 2013 - 2023

**COMMITTEES**

Chairman, Department of Surgery 2006 – 2008  
West Hills Hospital and Medical Center  
  
Member, Department of Surgery 2008 - present  
Subcommittee – Peer Review  
  
Member, Utilization Management 2002-2006  
Valley Presbyterian Hospital  
  
Member, Operating Room Committee 1999-2000  
  
Member, Operating Room Committee 1998-1999  
San Francisco General Hospital

**BOOKS**

Safir MH, Boyd CN, Pinson TE: Overcoming Incontinence: A Woman’s Guide to Treatment. Addicus Books: 2008.

**PUBLICATIONS**

Odeluga N, Reddy S, Safir M, Crane C, Santucci : Optimization of Second Stage Metoidioplasty – Urology – 156:303, 2021  
  
Hanley K, Wittenberg H, Gurjala D, Safir M, Chen E: Caring for Transgender Patients: Complications of Gender-Affirming Genital Surgeries – Annals of Emergency Medicine -78:409, 2021  
  
Carter E, Crane C, Safir M, DeLeon A, Wachtman G, Santucci R: Established and Experimental Techniques to Improve Phalloplasty Outcomes: How to Optimize a Hypercomplex Surgery – Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery – Global Open, 9:10S, 2021  
  
Middleton R, Briles B, Celtik K, Crane C, Safir M, Santucci R: Penile Prosthesis Placement using an Optimized Method by a Dedicated Transgender Surgery Unit: A Slow Decrease in High Complication Rates – Journal of Urology – 206:e543, 2021  
  
Santucci RA, McAninch JW, Safir M, Mario LA, Service S, Segal M: Validation of the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma Organ Injury Severity Scale for the Kidney - Journal of Trauma, 50:195, 2000

Gousse AE, Barbaric ZL, Safir MH, Madjar S, Marumoto AK, Raz S: Dynamic half Fourier Acquisition, Single Shot Turbo Spin-Echo Magnetic Resonance Imaging for Evaluating the Female Pelvis - Journal of Urology, 164: 1606, 2000

Gousse AE, Safir MH, Ziadlourad S, Raz S: Life Threatening Anaphylactoid Reaction Associated with Indigocarmine Injection - Urology, 56: 508, 2000

Safir MH, McAninch JW: Diagnosis and Management of Trauma to the Kidney - Current Opinion in Urology, 9: 227, 1999

Safir MH, McAninch JW: Management of Complex Violent Trauma to the Upper Urinary Tract - Trauma, 1: 323, 1999

Safir, MH, Gousse AE, Rovner E, Ginsberg DA, Raz S: Four Defect Repair (FDR) of Grade 4 Cystocele - Journal of Urology, 160: 587, 1999

Safir MH, Gousse AE, Raz S: Voiding Dysfunction and Urodynamic Findings in a Mother and Daughter with Mitochondrial Myopathy - Journal of Urology, 160: 830, 1998

Safir MH, Gousse AE, Raz S: Bladder Diverticula Causing Urinary Retention in a Female Patient without Bladder Outlet Obstruction - Journal of Urology, 160: 2146, 1998

Gousse AE, Safir, MH, Raz S: Tubulovillous Adenoma in Cecal Segment after Cecocystoplasty - Journal of Urology, 160:490, 1998

Safir MH, Smith N, Hansen L, Kozlowski J: Acute Adrenal Insufficiency following Unilateral Radical Nephrectomy - Geriatric Nephrology and Urology, 8: 101, 1998

Safir MH, Schaeffer AJ: Urinary Tract Infection: Simple and Complicated. AUA Update Series, 16(10): 74, 1996

Multiple Sclerosis Council for Clinical Practice Guidelines: Urinary Dysfunction and Multiple Sclerosis. Paralyzed Veterans of America , 2000 – Expert Reviewer

Safir, MH, Gousse AE, Raz S: Voiding Function and Dysfunction. In: Oxford Textbook Of Surgery. Edited by P Morris and W Wood. Oxford University Press: Oxford, 2000

Safir MH, McAninch JW: Genitourinary Trauma. In: Comprehensive Urology. Edited by R Weiss. Mosby Press: London, 1999

## **TEXTBOOK**

Safir, MH, Gousse AE, Raz S: Voiding Function and Dysfunction. In: Oxford Textbook Of Surgery. Edited by P Morris and W Wood. Oxford University Press: Oxford, 2000

Safir MH, McAninch JW: Genitourinary Trauma. In: Comprehensive Urology. Edited by R Weiss. Mosby Press: London, 1999

## **PRESENTATIONS**

“Single-Stage Urethroplasty: Management of Long-Segment Urethral Disease” MH Safir, L Mario and JW McAninch, presented at AUA Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX 1999

“Utility of a Neural Network to Predict the Need for Exploration Following Renal Trauma” MH Safir, L Mario and JW McAninch, presented at AUA Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX 1999

“Voiding Dysfunction and Repair of Grade IV Cystocele” MH Safir, AE Gousse, DA Ginsberg and S Raz, presented at Urodynamic Society Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA 1998

“A Novel Culdoplasty for Repair of Enterocele Obviates the Need for Sacrospinous Fixation” MH Safir, AE Gousse, DA Ginsberg and S Raz, presented at AUA Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA 1998

“Anterior Vaginal Sling: Six Year Experience with 425 Cases” AE Gousse, MH Safir, K Safman and S Raz, presented by Dr. Gousse at AUA Annual Meeting San Diego, CA 1998

“Endoscopic Injection of Small Intestinal Submucosa (SIS) for Correction of Vesicoureteral Reflux” MH Safir, EY Cheng, B Kropp, S Badylak and WE Kaplan, presented at the AUA Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA 1997

“Transforming Growth Factor Beta (TGF-B) in Normal Development and UPJ Obstruction” MH Safir, EY Cheng, and M Maizels, presented at the North Central Sections of AUA, Tucson, AZ 1996

“Obstructed Cystic Dysplastic Kidney (OCDK): A Dilemma in Diagnosis and Management” GJ Andros, LS Palmer, M Maizels and MH Safir, presented at the North Central Section of AUA, Tucson, AZ 1996

“The Role of TGF-B in Human Fetal Ureteropelvic Ontogeny and in the Response to Pediatric Urinary Obstruction” M Maizels, EY Cheng, P Chu and MH Safir, presented at the American Academy of Pediatrics Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA 1995

“Adjunctive Radiographic Testing Clarifies the Diagnosis of Atypical Hydronephrosis in the Neonate” MH Safir, S Fernbach and M Maizels, presented at the Society for Fetal Urology Meeting, San Francisco, CA 1994

## **REFERENCES**

Provided upon request