

City/University	Scott & White Clinic/Texas A&M HSC
Duration of the Fellowship and Funding	1 year – fully funded Junior staff appointment in Surgery
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Objectives of the Program	To train a specialist in the surgical care of endocrine disease, encompassing the scope of thyroid, parathyroid, adrenal, and endocrine pancreas surgery, to become a leader in either academic surgery or community practice.
Application Eligibility and Requirements	Applicants must have completed a general surgery residency and be BC/BE. Applications should include a CV, 3 letters of recommendation, a personal statement (optional) and photo by e-mail, mail, or fax.
Application Deadlines	Applications are flexibly accepted and interviews granted as needed throughout the year.
Highlights of the Fellowship (including number of cases and a brief description of the overall program)	<p>Fellows will develop expertise in the four cornerstones of the fellowship: outpatient/inpatient care, operative care, research, and teaching. With outpatient care the fellow will develop expertise in surgeon-directed ultrasound evaluation of thyroid, lymphatic, and parathyroid disease, same day US-guided FNA with immediate cytopathology, and laryngoscopy pre and postop. With operative care the fellow will develop expertise in the day surgery management of thyroid and parathyroid disease, routine central neck LN dissections with as indicated lateral neck LN dissections for thyroid cancer, extensive experience with intraoperative RLN monitoring, minimally invasive parathyroid surgery with intraoperative PTH, retroperitoneoscopic or laparoscopic adrenalectomy, and management of familial islet cell tumors of the pancreas. With research the fellow will complete at least 1 major and 1 minor research project for abstract submission to a major surgical meeting and anticipated publication. As junior staff the fellow will be responsible for the clinical instruction of general surgery residents and medical students.</p> <p>The facilities for the fellowship include the Scott and White Clinic, a 750 physician, multispecialty, multi-site medical practice, centered in Temple, Texas, the principal clinical teaching site for the Texas A&M Health Sciences Center, College of Medicine; and the Central Texas Veterans Hospital and Clinic in Temple, Texas, as the fourth largest VA service area in the country. At the Scott & White Clinic currently >500 endocrine operations are performed yearly with experience in >300 thyroidectomies, >150 parathyroidectomies, >80 lymph node dissections, and >20 adrenalectomies. Dr. Terry Lairmore as one of the foremost authorities in the surgical evaluation and treatment of MEN syndromes provides expert instruction in related thyroid, parathyroid, adrenal, and pancreatic endocrine disease.</p>
List of Previous Fellows from This Program and their Current Institutions	New endocrine surgery fellowship, approved by the American Association of Endocrine Surgeons Fellowship Council, in May, 2009 for the 2009 Match and beginning fellowship in July, 2010.