Course Overview and Objectives:

The course will be based on the Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery (FLS) Program. Beginning in 2010 FLS will be required for all graduating surgical residents. The course will provide instruction on the psychomotor and technical skills required when performing basic laparoscopic surgery. Participants will be expected to review the online FLS materials in advance of the course, or arrive the morning of Day 1 prior to official registration.* At the conclusion of this course, participants will be able to take the FLS examination.

At the conclusion of this educational event, attendees will be able to:

- Describe the nature of the Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery (FLS) program including its rationale and scientific basis.
- Discuss the essential preoperative, intraoperative and postoperative considerations in order to ensure a safe patient outcome when performing basic laparoscopic procedures.
- Demonstrate proficiency in the tasks which compose the hands-on skill portion of the FLS examination.
- Demonstrate cognitive knowledge, case/problem management skills and manual dexterity in the field of laparoscopic surgery.

**DAY 1**

**Friday, May 15, 2015**

9:00 am  Optional Hands-On Practice Session and/or Review of FLS Online Materials

12:30 pm Official Registration & Lunch

1:00 pm Safe Practices in Laparoscopic Surgery: Preoperative & Intraoperative Considerations, Review of Instructions and Tips for the Hands-On Portion of FLS Exam

3:00 pm Hands-On Practice of FLS Skills with Faculty

6:30 pm Day 1 Conclusion

**DAY 2**

**Saturday, May 16, 2015**

7:30 am Continental Breakfast

8:00 am Safe Practices in Laparoscopic Surgery: Postoperative Considerations and Complications

9:30 am Additional Hands-On Practice Time

12:30 pm Lunch

1:00 pm FLS Exam Administration

3:00 pm Evaluation and Conclusion

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