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BIO

Dr. Yulia Zak earned her medical degree from SUNY Downstate Medical Center before completing general surgery residency at Stanford University and advanced minimally invasive gastrointestinal and bariatric fellowship training at the Massachusetts General Hospital. Dr. Zak is certified by the American Board of Surgery and American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. She has also completed the Stanford Surgical Education and Simulation fellowship and was previously an Assistant Program Director for the general surgery residency program at Mount Sinai Beth Israel. Dr. Zak joined the faculty at Stanford in 2018 and is the current Fellowship Associate Program Director. Her current clinical practice is focused on bariatrics, foregut and abdominal wall procedures. Her academic interests include quality improvement, surgical education, and bariatric outcomes.

CLINICAL FOCUS

- General Surgery
- Bariatric Surgery
- Minimally Invasive Surgery

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Clinical Assistant Professor, Surgery - General Surgery

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Residency: Stanford University Dept of General Surgery (2014) CA
- Board Certification: General Surgery, American Board of Surgery (2015)
- Fellowship: Massachusetts General Minimally Invasive and Bariatric Surgery Fellowship (2015) MA
- Medical Education: SUNY Downstate College of Medicine (2007) NY

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

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