

Biosketch:

Joshua Bleier is an Associate Professor of Surgery at the University of Pennsylvania / Perelman School of Medicine. He is the Section Chief of Colorectal Surgery at Pennsylvania Hospital. He is the Program Director of the Colorectal Fellowship. He is the Chairman of the ASCRCS CREST Committee. He attended The University of Pennsylvania for both his undergraduate and medical degrees. He received his General Surgery training at Cornell, and completed a research fellowship in Immunology at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. He completed his Colon and Rectal Training at the University of Minnesota. He is Board-Certified in General and Colon and Rectal Surgery.

Dr. Bleier's practice spans the range of colon and rectal disease. He specializes in the management and treatment of benign diverticular disease and Colon and rectal Cancer with both standard and minimally invasive approaches, with an emphasis on sphincter-preservation. His areas of specialty also include the surgical treatment of Inflammatory Bowel Disease, as well as the spectrum of benign anorectal and pelvic floor disorders, including sacral nerve stimulation for fecal incontinence. His practice includes colonoscopy, as well as advanced techniques for local treatment of early rectal polyps and cancers with Transanal Endoscopic Microsurgery (TEM).