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New Jersey Urologists Become the First U.S. Board Certified Specialists in Female Pelvic Medicine & Reconstructive Surgery

New subspecialty to improve care for women with urologic and urogynecologic issues

WHIPPSANY, N.J.— Garden State Urology, the leading comprehensive integrated urology practice in the region is proud to announce David Chaikin, M.D. and Michael Ingber, M.D. are among the first board certified specialists in Female Pelvic Medicine & Reconstructive Surgery (FPMRS) in the United States. The American Board of Urology (ABU) and the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology (ABOG) have jointly developed subspecialty certification within the fields of urology and obstetrics and gynecology for those physicians holding specialty training in female pelvic surgery effective immediately. This field, formerly known as “urogynecology” or “female urology” is now recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties as FPMRS.

“Having two physicians earn this new certification is a great advantage to Garden State Urology and our patients,” explained David Taylor, M.D., president of the group. “We strive to practice state-of-the-art care and we are proud to have Drs. Ingber and Chaikin, two great leaders in this field, as assets to our community.”

Physicians who specialize in FPMRS treat a variety of female pelvic disorders, including urinary and fecal incontinence, overactive bladder, pelvic organ prolapse, sexual dysfunction, neurological problems with the bladder, and vaginal mesh complications. Some specialists in this field have additional training in laparoscopic and da Vinci robotic-assisted laparoscopic surgery.

“Patients will now have peace of mind knowing that their physician has specialty training in reconstructive pelvic surgery. This is especially important given the recent FDA safety advisories on incontinence and prolapse surgeries,” added Dr. Ingber.

Dr. Chaikin has been in practice for more than 15 years and has been treating women with a variety of pelvic conditions. Dr. Chaikin trained with one of the founders of the subspecialty and is well-respected throughout the urologic community, performing minimally-invasive incontinence surgeries and other pelvic procedures. He performed the first minimally invasive pelvic prolapse repair in New Jersey and focuses his practice on the repair of pelvic prolapse and treating incontinence.

Dr. Ingber’s practice focuses on urinary incontinence, pelvic prolapse, and the treatment of female sexual dysfunction. Dr. Ingber is one of the only physicians in New Jersey with single-port “scarless” surgical experience, which involves surgery through a single tiny incision through the navel. In 2010 he performed the world’s first-reported single-port posterior uterine suspension procedure.

Both physicians are on staff at hospitals throughout New Jersey, including Morristown Medical Center, Saint Clare’s Health System, Overlook Medical Center and Hackettstown Regional Medical Center.

About Garden State Urology
Garden State Urology was formed in 2008, the result of a merger of five urology practices in Morris County who joined on the principle that by working cooperatively as an integrated physician practice including urologists, radiation oncologists and pathologists would improve care. GSU offers patients the most modern medical therapies and their commitment to excellence is reflected in requiring board certification for their physicians, and industry commendation for our ancillary services. Appointments can be made by calling 973-947-9054. More information about Garden State Urology may be found at www.gsunj.com.