

AAHKS Adult Reconstruction Fellowship Recognition Program  
How it Works and the Goal to Provide the Highest Quality Education and Training

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**Rosemont, IL** - The American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons' (AAHKS) Adult Reconstruction Fellowship Recognition Program is overseen by the AAHKS Fellowship Committee. The purpose of the program is to ensure that all adult reconstruction fellowship training programs provide the highest quality educational and training experience to adult reconstruction fellows, that supports AAHKS' core values and goal of producing technically skilled, highly qualified hip and knee surgeons.

To ensure appropriate oversight and structure to adult reconstruction fellowship training, leadership and representatives from AAHKS, The Hip Society, The Knee Society and both small and large fellowship programs across North America developed the AAHKS Fellowship Recognition Program in 2023. The program includes a common set of standards that AAHKS-Recognized arthroplasty programs must meet and a formal process for demonstrating adherence to such standards.

Improvements to the oversight and structure of fellowship training will have a positive impact on programs, trainees and the profession. Two distinct pathways are provided for this process: provide documentation of ACGME accreditation or apply for AAHKS recognition. Requirements for both pathways are outlined in the [Recognition Program Master Document](#), which provides an overview of the program and instructions for fellowship programs seeking AAHKS Recognition.

Of the 122 active adult reconstruction fellowship programs in 2024, 62 applied for the AAHKS Recognition during the initial application window, January 15-April 1, 2024. All 62 applicant programs were approved for recognition by the AAHKS Fellowship Committee and Board of Directors. For the list of the 62 adult reconstruction fellowship programs that have already achieved AAHKS Recognition, [click here](#). *Listing is in alpha order.*

For more information on the Adult Reconstruction Fellowship Recognition program, please go to [www.AAHKS.org/Recognition](http://www.AAHKS.org/Recognition).

### **About the American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons**

Established in 1991, the mission of AAHKS is to advance hip and knee patient care through education, advocacy, research and outreach. AAHKS has a membership of over 5,000 surgeons and other hip and knee health care professionals.