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UAMS Adds Five Physicians to Department of Orthopaedic Surgery

LITTLE ROCK — Five new physicians have joined the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, expanding the comprehensive, integrated network of orthopaedic and sports medicine care available at UAMS and Arkansas Children's in both Central and Northwest Arkansas.

The new physicians include: Jordan Gross, M.D., Adrienne Koder, D.O., Lauren Poindexter, M.D., Justin Rabinowitz, M.D., and Scott Schoenleber, M.D. All are fellowship-trained with faculty appointments in the UAMS College of Medicine's Department of Orthopaedic Surgery.

"UAMS Orthopaedics is already the largest orthopaedic and sports medicine practice in Arkansas," said C. Lowry Barnes, M.D., professor and chair of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery. "By recruiting these excellent physicians to our team, we are able to add expertise and further expand patients' access to highly specialized orthopaedic care throughout the state."

They join the growing UAMS team of orthopaedic surgeons, sports medicine physicians, physical therapists, athletic trainers, and other health care professionals located in central and northwest Arkansas providing comprehensive care for the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of musculoskeletal conditions and injuries affecting children and adults. This team is also the official orthopaedics and sports medicine provider for Razorback Athletics.

"Our goal is to deliver personalized, world-class orthopaedic specialty care as we continue to add specialists and expand our programs, services and providers to meet the needs of this region," said Wesley Cox., M.D., UAMS orthopaedics & sports medicine section chief in Northwest Arkansas. "We are growing with Northwest Arkansas to meet current needs and those to come."

Jordan Gross, M.D., is a pediatric orthopaedic surgeon specializing in complex deformities of the spine. He provides surgical and nonsurgical treatment for a wide variety of pediatric spinal conditions at Arkansas Children's in Little Rock, while also providing specialized care at Arkansas Children's Northwest in Springdale. Gross received his medical degree from Boston University School of Medicine and completed his orthopaedic surgery residency at New York Medical College. He recently completed an orthopaedic/spine deformity fellowship at the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles/University of Southern California. His concentrated training in spinal deformities has given him unique experience in treating scoliosis, congenital deformities and other complex spinal conditions.

Adrienne Koder, D.O., a pediatric orthopaedic surgeon, has joined Arkansas Children's Northwest in Springdale. Koder earned her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine from the New York Institute of Technology (NYIT) College of Osteopathic Medicine. She completed an orthopaedic surgery residency at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine followed by a pediatric orthopaedic fellowship at Columbia University Medical Center/New York Presbyterian. Koder has served as a team physician for high school football and professional rugby.

Lauren Poindexter, M.D., a primary care sports medicine physician, has joined the UAMS Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine practice in Fayetteville and Lowell. She also sees patients at Arkansas Children's Northwest in Springdale. Poindexter received her medical degree from Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine in Roanoke, Virginia. She completed an internship in general surgery at St. Joseph's Hospital & Medical Center in Phoenix, Arizona, followed by a residency in physical medicine and rehabilitation at UAMS. She continued her training in a physical medicine & rehabilitation sports medicine fellowship at New York University. Poindexter has served as a team physician for St. Joseph's College in Brooklyn, New York, and sideline physician for Parkview High School football in Little Rock and has extensive experience in athletic training and sports safety.

Justin Rabinowitz, M.D., is an orthopaedic surgeon specializing in disorders of the shoulder and elbow. He is seeing patients at UAMS' Orthopaedic Clinic at 10815 Colonel Glenn Road in Little Rock and at the UAMS Baptist Health Orthopaedic Clinic in Conway. Rabinowitz earned his medical degree from Rush University Medical College in Chicago and completed an orthopaedic surgery residency at the Medical University of South Carolina. He received his fellowship training in shoulder and elbow surgery at Washington University in St. Louis.

Scott Schoenleber, M.D., is a board-certified pediatric orthopaedic surgeon specializing in limb lengthening and complex lower extremity deformity correction at Arkansas Children's. He also provides care at Arkansas Children's Northwest for lower extremity deformities and neuromuscular disorders in the pediatric population. Schoenleber received his medical degree from the Mayo Clinic School of Medicine in Rochester, Minnesota, and completed an orthopaedic surgery residency at the University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Hospital. He received his fellowship training in pediatric orthopedic surgery at Nemours/AI duPont Hospital for Children in Wilmington, Delaware. Prior to joining UAMS, Schoenleber practiced at the Nicklaus Children's Hospital in Miami.

UAMS is the state's only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging, Translational Research Institute and Institute for Digital Health & Innovation. UAMS includes UAMS Health, a statewide health system that encompasses all of UAMS' clinical enterprise including its hospital, regional clinics and clinics it operates or staffs in cooperation with other providers. UAMS is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. U.S. News & World Report recognized UAMS Medical Center as a Best Hospital for 2021-22; ranked its ear, nose and throat program among the top 50 nationwide for the third year; and named five areas as high performing — colon cancer surgery, diabetes, hip replacement, knee replacement and stroke. Forbes magazine ranked UAMS as seventh in the nation on its Best Employers for Diversity list. UAMS also ranked in the top 30% nationwide on Forbes' Best Employers for Women list and was the only Arkansas employer included. UAMS has 2,876 students, 898 medical residents and six dental residents. It is the state's largest public employer with more than 10,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses, Arkansas Children's, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit www.uams.edu or www.uamshealth.com. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube or Instagram.





