Institution Name: North Shore – LIJ Health System Female Pelvic Medicine & Reconstructive Surgery

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*Trainees Per Year*: 3

Program Length: 3 years

*Number of Graduates:* 2

Specialty Certification: ACGME

Special Interest Areas: Minimally invasive repairs, pelvic organ prolapse, complex pelvic reconstruction procedures,

multidisciplinary approach to pelvic floor dysfunction.

Program Description: The division of Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery at the North Shore - Long Island

Jewish Health System is a tertiary referral center located less than 20 miles from Manhattan. The division was founded in 1996 and in 2009 the fellowship commenced with the primary goal of training the future academic and clinical leaders in the field of Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery. The vast patient volume and diversity offers fellows exposure to a wide variety of complex pelvic floor disorders. The program provides in depth clinical experience, enhanced by weekly didactic lectures, clinical and/or basic science research and one-on-one mentoring designed to fit the individual needs of each fellow. Outpatient office is conveniently located within 3 miles of North Shore University Hospital, Long Island Jewish Medical center and the new Katz Women's Hospital. The fellowship curriculum incorporates dedicated, protected research time with the opportunity to work with world renowned researchers and statisticians at the Feinstein Institute for Medical Research. Additionally,

fellows rotate through the department of Urology, Colorectal Surgery and Gastroenterology. The multi-

faceted surgical experience offers fellows opportunities to perfect pelvic reconstructive surgeries including vaginal and abdominal procedures, as well as laparoscopic and robotic surgery. The fellowship will equip physicians with the knowledge and skills necessary to become leaders in the field of female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgery.