Committee Purpose

**Mission:** The committee is designed to promote the continued excellence and growth of the Surgical Scholars Track. By encouraging programs to participate, REI fellows to apply, and practices to hire and support these graduates, the continued success of this program will be ensured. The continued development of a rich, yet diverse curriculum, including didactics by experts in the field, journal clubs to ensure contemporary learning, and increasing collaboration with our special interest group colleagues is key to maintaining the intellectual curiosity needed to foster ideas and growth. By ensuring national excellence with this program, developing an international presence with approved programs will create further diversity and growth. Finally, engaging REI fellows interested in surgery in the Society of Reproductive Surgeons will ensure its continued viability and relevance.

Committee Structure & Tenure

**Members:** The members will consist of the site director from each of the surgical track sites, the SRS past president, the SRS immediate past president, the members at large from both SREI and SRS, the chair of the SRS International Committee, the chair of the SRS SIG Liaison Committee, current statisticians, and the ASRM Science and Education Officer. The ASRM Science and Education Officer is an ex officio, non-voting member of any committee. A representative from the current surgical fellows will be selected by the fellows and have a tenure of 1 year. The chair of the committee will be nominated and approved by the SRS Executive Board with a tenure of three (3) years. The Committee Chair and Site Directors must be an SRS member.

Committee Functions

To support the needs and advancement of the Surgical Scholars Track program.

Any new surgical track application must meet criteria and be approved by at least 2/3 of the committee members, submitted to the SRS Executive Board, and approved. A formal letter of acceptance will be sent by the SRS President and Surgical Track Committee Chair.

Meeting Cadence

**Meetings:**

The committee will meet every 2 months to review research projects, curriculum, and didactics. Abstracts and manuscripts by the surgical track fellows will be reviewed prior to any submission. New program applications will be reviewed, and established programs audits will be reviewed.

Committee Reporting

Each meeting will generate a report.

A formal annual report will be submitted twice a year to the SRS President for inclusion into the affiliate society report to the ASRM Executive Board. This is typically due by March and September.