

CURRICULUM VITAE

Dr. Farr R. Nezhat is board certified in obstetrics and gynecology, with a subspecialty in gynecologic oncology. He is a pioneer and leading authority in advanced laparoscopic and robotic surgery for the treatment of gynecological cancers and complex benign conditions. His expertise lies in treating ovarian, uterine and cervical cancers; as well as severe and multi-organ endometriosis, pelvic masses, ovarian cysts and uterine fibroids.

He established a minimally invasive surgery division and fellowships at three hospitals, thereby providing training opportunities for innumerable fellows, residents, medical students, and national and international visiting physicians. He was one of the first to perform, publish and teach robotic surgery in gynecology.

Dr. Nezhat contributes prolifically to the scientific and medical literature, having authored over 200 articles. He published four textbooks on operative laparoscopy, robotics and hysteroscopy, one textbook on the medical and surgical management of endometriosis, and more than 80 book chapters. He has presented over 300 abstracts and video presentations, earning over 20 awards.

He has organized numerous post-graduate courses, which included didactic lectures, hands-on training simulations, and live surgery demonstrations. He has performed live surgery upon invitation in many countries as part of his charitable teaching endeavors.

Dr. Nezhat is a regularly invited visiting professor and faculty member at numerous national and international professional societies and congresses, having delivered over 360 lectures throughout the United States and more than 30 countries. He believes learning, training, and collaboration to be interdependent foundational components, which lead to the most meaningful breakthroughs contributing to improved patient care.

He continues to research, publish and teach in the areas of the pathophysiology of ovarian cancer, malignant transformation of endometriosis, and application of laparoscopy and robotics in gynecological malignancy, most specifically in early and advanced ovarian cancer.

Historically, ovarian cancer and endometriosis have had significant negative consequences. Dr. Nezhat's work has benefitted countless women and their families worldwide.

Positions and Academic Appointments

Medical Director

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Director of Division and Fellowship

Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery and Robotics, NYU Winthrop Hospital

Clinical Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology

Weill Cornell Medical College of Cornell University

Adjunct Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Medicine

Stony Brook University School of Medicine

Certifications

Diplomate | American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology | **Obstetrics and Gynecology**
| **Gynecologic Oncology**

Fellow | **American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG)**
| **American College of Surgeons (FACS)**

Attending Physician

Weill Cornell Medical Center | NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital | New York, NY

Lower Manhattan Hospital | NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital | New York, NY

NYU Winthrop Hospital | Mineola, NY

Professional Background

Dr. Farr Nezhat devoted his early career as a gynecologist to pioneering advanced laparoscopic surgical techniques for treating ovarian and pelvic masses, mild to extensive pelvic endometriosis, and other pelvic pathologies. He addressed endometriosis involving other pelvic organs such as the bowel, bladder, ureter and even the diaphragm, by forming a multi-disciplinary approach. Dr. Nezhat contributed numerous surgical “firsts” to the literature, establishing evidence-based protocols for improved patient care.

One of his chief interests was the laparoscopic management of ovarian cysts and pelvic masses. He demonstrated the ability to manage adnexal masses by laparoscope instead of by laparotomy, and this has had a profound medical and societal impact.

Recognizing the potential impact of minimally invasive surgery in the treatment of gynecologic cancer, Dr. Nezhat completed a fellowship in gynecologic oncology. Subsequently, he was able to refine and develop laparoscopic operative techniques for efficient, safe and practical application to gynecological oncology.

His work resulted in several groundbreaking publications on laparoscopic and robotic management of cervical, endometrial and especially ovarian cancer, under the mentorship of Professor Carmel Cohen, MD. During his fellowship, he developed an interest in cancer arising from endometriosis and was able to obtain funding from the Ovarian Cancer Research Fund. This support led to the publication of several significant scientific articles, including *Comparative immunohistochemical studies of BCL-2 and proteins in benign and malignant ovarian endometriotic cysts*, published in the journal *Cancer* (2002).

Education and Postdoctoral Training

Fellow	Mount Sinai Medical Center , New York, NY	Gynecologic Oncology	(1999-2000)
Resident	Nassau County Medical Center , East Meadow, NY	Obstetrics and Gynecology	(1983-1987)
Fellow	Medical College of Georgia , Augusta, GA	Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility	(1981-1983)
Resident	Tehran University Women’s Hospital , Tehran, Iran	Obstetrics and Gynecology	(1978-1981)
MD	Isfahan University School of Medicine , Isfahan, Iran	Obstetrics and Gynecology	(1969-1976)
Combined 7-year college and medical school curriculum			

Academic Appointments

Clinical Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology	(2015-present)
Weill Cornell Medical College of Cornell University , New York, NY	
Adjunct Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Medicine	(2011-present)
Stony Brook University School of Medicine , New York, NY	
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Science	(2014-2015)
Icahn of Medicine at Mount Sinai , New York, NY	
Professor of Clinical Obstetrics and Gynecology	(2009-2013)
Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons , New York, NY	
Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Science	(2004-2008)
Icahn of Medicine at Mount Sinai , New York, NY	
Clinical Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology	(1996-2002)
Morehouse School of Medicine , Atlanta, GA	
Adjunct Clinical Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology	(1994-2002)
Stanford University School of Medicine , Stanford, CA	
Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology	(1993-1994)
Stanford University School of Medicine , Stanford, CA	

Attending Physician

Weill Cornell Medical Center	New York-Presbyterian Hospital New York, NY	(2015-present)
Lower Manhattan Hospital	New York-Presbyterian Hospital New York, NY	(2015-present)
NYU Winthrop Hospital	Mineola, NY	(2009-present)
Mount Sinai West and Mount Sinai St Luke's Hospitals	New York, NY	(2014-2017)
St. Luke's – Roosevelt Hospitals	New York, NY	(2008-2013)
Mercy Medical Center	Rockville Centre, NY	(2003-2009)
Mount Sinai Hospital	New York, NY	(2000-2008)

Fellowship Programs

Founder and Director, *Fellowship Program for Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery and Robotics*

Winthrop-University Hospital	(recently NYU Winthrop) Mineola, NY	(2016-present)
St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospitals	(recently Mount Sinai West and St. Luke's) New York, NY	(2008-2015)
Mount Sinai Hospital	New York, NY	(2003-2008)

Societies

Society of Gynecologic Oncology (SGO) | Since 2001

Founder and Sponsor, *The Farr Nezhat Surgical Innovation Session, Annual Meeting on Women's Cancer* (since 2014)

Education Committee (2017-present), International Committee (2012-2015), Annual Meeting Program Committee (2014-2015), Membership Committee (2011-2012)

The Society of Laparoendoscopic Surgeons (SLS) | Since 1992

Program Director, *Fellowship in Minimally Invasive and Robotic Surgery in Gynecologic Benign and Malignant Pathologies*, in affiliation with NYU Winthrop Hospital, Clinical Campus of Stony Brook University School of Medicine (2016-present)

Recipient, 2016 Excel Award, in recognition of outstanding contributions to laparoscopy, endoscopy, and minimally invasive surgery (2016)

President (2002); Vice President (2001); Treasurer (2000); Trustee (2003-present, 1994-1999)

AAGL – Advancing Minimally Invasive Gynecology Worldwide | Since 1987

Program Director, *Fellowship in Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery*, in affiliation with AAGL and The Society of Reproductive Surgeons, ASRM (2003-2015); President (2014); Vice President (2013); Treasurer (2012)

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) | Since 1990

Founder and Sponsor, *The Drs. Camran, Farr, and Ceana Nezhat Live Telesurgery Forum, Annual Clinical and Scientific Meeting* (since 2015)

Female Cancer and Genetic Testing Task Force (2017); District II Committee: New York, Bermuda (2017)

American Society for Reproductive Medicine (ASRM) | Since 1988

American College of Surgeons (ACS) | Since 1991

Committee on Video-Based Education (2010-2013)

The Society of Reproductive Surgeons | Since 1992

American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) | Since 2001

The New York Obstetrical Society | Since 2001

Scientific and Medical Publications

Author of more than 210 scientific and medical articles

Author of 4 textbooks on operative laparoscopy, robotics and hysteroscopy

Nezhat's Video-Assisted and Robotic-Assisted Laparoscopy and Hysteroscopy; Nezhat's Operative Gynecologic Laparoscopy and Hysteroscopy; Operative Gynecologic Laparoscopy - Principles and Techniques; Endometriosis: Advanced Management and Surgical Techniques

Author of a textbook on the medical and surgical management of endometriosis

An Atlas of Gynecologic Oncology: Investigation and Surgery

Author of more than 80 book chapters

Presenter of over 300 abstracts and video presentations, which earned over 20 awards

Editorial Board Member (current):

Journal of the Society of Laparoendoscopic Surgeons; Journal of Minimally Invasive Gynecology; Gynecological Surgery; Journal of the Turkish-German Gynecological Association; Obstetrics & Gynecology Science

Ad Hoc Reviewer (current)

American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology; Gynecologic Oncology; Fertility and Sterility; Obstetrics & Gynecology; Journal of the Society of Laparoendoscopic Surgeons; Journal of Minimally Invasive Gynecology; Journal of Reproductive Medicine; Gynecologic and Obstetric Investigation; European Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology and Reproductive Biology; Journal of Gynecologic Surgery

Community Service

Founder and Sponsor of Worldwide Endometriosis March | EndoMarch.org | Since 2014

Drs. Camran, Farr, Ceana and Azadeh Nezhat are founders and sponsors of *Worldwide Endometriosis March*, a campaign to raise awareness, develop non-invasive diagnostic testing, and find a cure.