**International fellowship training program of urogynecology in MacKay Memorial Hospital**

**Introduction:**

The international urogynecology fellowship of MacKay Memorial Hospital aims to offer fellows basic and advanced training in management of female pelvic floor dysfunction. By providing with basic knowledge, diagnostic methods and in-depth surgical and clinical care experience, fellows are anticipated to have full ability in daily practice as well as academic aspect in female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgery.

The division of urogynecology in MacKay Memorial Hospital includes three Board-certificated urogynecology specialists by Taiwan Urogynecology Association. The training program contains diagnosis and management of female pelvic floor disorders, including urinary incontinence, pelvic organ prolapse, lower urinary tract dysfunction and related condition.

**Fellowship overview:**

The fellows who undergo urogynecological training are marked by strong clinical and research exposure with at least 12 months duration in this program. During their training period, they will be assessed by the program director and other faculty so that their progress will allow them to reach their own personal goals during stay at MacKay Memorial Hospital.

During the period of urogynecology training, the rotation will include:

1. **Basic science of female urogynecology :**

a. Anatomy of female pelvic floor

b. Neurophysiology

1. **Evaluation and diagnosis:**

a. Urinary incontinence

b. Pelvic organ prolapse

c. Lower urinary tract dysfunction

1. **Urodynamic study:**
2. Perform urodynamic study
3. Interpretation of results
4. Trouble shooting
5. **Conservative management:**
6. Stress urinary incontinence: biofeedback, electrostimulation
7. Pelvic organ prolapse: pessary
8. **Anti-incontinence surgery:**
9. retropubic, transobturator and single incision sling
10. **Pelvic reconstructive surgery**: with and without mesh
11. **Image of pelvic floor**
12. **Reaches:**
13. Analyze and review literature
14. Design and participate in clinical research
15. **Education:**
16. The fellows may participate in various regular educational conferences and seminars in the department.
17. Sharing the responsibilities of bedside teaching is also required.