

To find out more about the GRACES Surgical Accreditation Programme and the GRACES network of surgical programmes, please feel free to contact a GRACES Team Preceptor.

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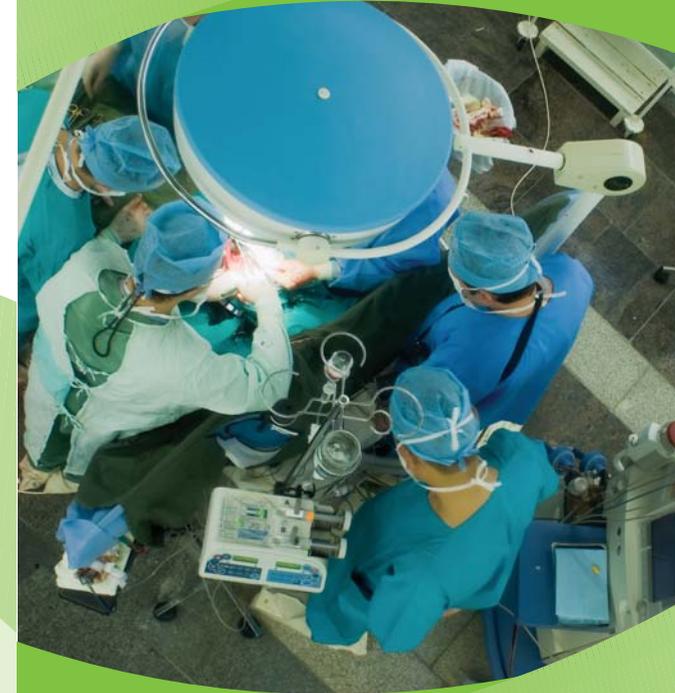
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INTRODUCTION

The GRACES surgical program is a care concept centered around the philosophy of helping women receive the surgical care they need without having to put the business of living their lives on hold.

At the heart of the GRACES programme is the DaVinci Surgical System. We at GRACES aim to help gynaecologic surgeons achieve a consistent quality of surgical healthcare delivery to patients who need gynaecologic surgery through the use of robot-assisted operative technology.

Our vision is for women across Asia to easily access minimally-disruptive gynaecologic surgery that is safe and timely leveraging on robot-assisted operative technology to achieve the best clinical outcomes possible.

If you are a gynaecologic surgeon who is interested in offering robot-assisted surgery to your patients, we at GRACES can help. We are committed to bringing your plans to offer the benefits of robot-assisted gynaecologic surgery to your patients from conception to bedside.

Being a GRACES-accredited surgical programme means that you and your team join an elite gathering of gynaecologic surgeons and healthcare providers who are committed to the use of advanced technology in achieving only the very best clinical outcomes for their patients. It also means that you become part of a surgical network that gives you unlimited access to resources in the form of expertise, sub-specialty domain knowledge, patient support and research and development.

Finally, it means that you are part of a network of dedicated professionals who are thoroughly committed to helping women lead healthier, more productive lives.

The Accreditation Process

The journey to becoming a GRACES-accredited surgical programme is a **3 step** process:

Step One

DaVinci Systems Training at the Khoo Teck Puat Advanced Surgery Training Centre. This state of the art surgical training facility is the venue for a 2 day hands-on course where you become familiar with the DaVinci Surgical system and begin to experience the potential of this surgical technology in dry and animal labs.

Step Two

Proctored Surgical Experience. This should follow systems training by no more than a month. We have found that surgeons are better able to leverage on their systems training experience when they follow in short order with live clinical surgery. The daunting prospect of live surgery so shortly after systems training is overcome with active proctoring by a GRACES Team Preceptor who will be on-site during your

first case. The GRACES Team Preceptor will walk you and your team through pre-operative preparation of the operating suite and on the day of surgery will help direct your team in their preparation for their very first robotic case. Our Team Preceptor will guide you through patient examination, port selection, port placement and docking procedures. Your very first tentative steps at the Surgeon's Console will also be gently guided to provide a comfortable environment in which to acclimate and operate with the DaVinci in a clinical setting that is familiar to you. Our Team Preceptor will also help you and your bed-side operative assistant synergise as surgeon partners, a critical part of any successful robotic surgical programme.

Step Three

Maintaining Excellence. After you and your team have completed proctored sessions and achieved accreditation as a GRACES-certified surgical program, we at GRACES will continue to monitor your progress and your clinical outcomes with a progressively complex caseload. Part of maintaining your centre's excellence in robot-assisted surgery will be upgrading your skill set through regular exchanges where you may opt to visit GRACES @ NUH to observe and operate with our Team Preceptors on more complex cases. Alternatively, you may opt to invite a GRACES Team Preceptor to operate with you and your team at your centre or even have one of our Team Nurses visit to upgrade your nursing and surgical technical team.

Finally, we at GRACES believe in supporting your efforts to bring robotic surgical technology to your patient base because we believe that collaboration is the best way to consistently improve women's health in Asia.

