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JUAN ASENSIO

Dr. Asensio is a native of Havana, Cuba. At the age of 13, he immigrated to Chicago, Illinois, where he completed his undergraduate education with a double major at the University of Illinois, and subsequently went on to Rush Medical College of Rush University where he completed the requirements for his medical degree. He completed his surgical residency at Northwestern University in Chicago and undertook further post-graduate surgical training at the Medical College of Ohio. He then completed a fellowship in Trauma Surgery, and Surgical Critical Care at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center/Southwestern Medical School-Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas Texas. His specialty is Surgery and his sub-specialties are Trauma Surgery and Surgical Critical Care. He is double board certified in Surgery and Surgical Critical Care and is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Asensio currently serves as the Director of the Trauma Clinical Research, Training and Community Affairs and the Director of the Trauma and Surgical Critical Care Fellowship in the Department of Surgery of the University Of Miami Miller School Of Medicine. He is a Professor of Surgery (Tenured. And has received this honor at three major Universities) and a Senior Attending Surgeon at Jackson Memorial Hospital. Within that capacity, he serves as the Director of the International Visiting Scholars/Research Fellowship for the Division of Trauma, and also directs the Trauma Outreach Program and Community Affairs Program. He is also the Medical Director for Education and Training of the International Medicine Institute of the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine.

Dr. Asensio is a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha (AOA) Honorary Medical Fraternity. He served as Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Trauma of the Southern California Chapter of the American College of Surgeons and as such, he has participated in the National Committee on Trauma of the American College of Surgeons. He was a member of the International Relations Committee of the American College of Surgeons where he held the position of Chairman of the International Scholars Selection Committee for two years. He holds membership in more than 77 professional Societies and is currently a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons (FACS) and a Fellow of the American College of Clinical Care Medicine (ACCM), a Fellow of the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma (AAST), where he has participated in multiple

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committees and is currently leading the International Relations Committee of this Society. He is a Charter Member of both, the Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma (EAST) and the Panamerican Trauma Society (PTS). He is a member of the International Association for the Surgery of Trauma and Intensive Care (IATSIC), the American Burn Association (ABA), the Association for Academic Surgeons (AAS), the Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM), International Surgical Society (ISS), Western Surgical Association (WSA), Southern Surgical Association (SSA), Pacific Coast Surgical Association (PCSA), Association for Surgical Education (ASE) as well as the Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract (SSAT), Southwestern Surgical Congress (SWC), Southeastern Surgical Congress (SEC), International Society for Digestive Surgery (ISDS), Surgical Infection Society (SIS), the American Association for Vascular Surgery (AAVS), Society for Vascular Surgery (SVS), the International Society for Cardiovascular Surgery (ISCVS), the Eastern Vascular Society (EVS), New England Vascular Society (NEVS), the Shock Society and many other prestigious surgical societies. He is also an Honorary Member of many International Surgical, Trauma Surgical and Critical Care

Societies from Europe, North, Central South America and Asia. He has recently been given Honorary Fellowship from The Royal College of Surgeons of England.

Dr. Asensio is both, a national and an internationally recognized expert in the field of Trauma Surgery. His area of focused study and expertise is surgical techniques and outcomes for Difficult Injuries and Difficult Problems in Trauma Surgery. His main interests are cardiovascular, thoracic, and complex abdominal and peripheral vascular injuries. He has published extensively in these areas. He has a total of 493 publications including peer-reviewed articles, book chapters and 15 books including 4 issues of the Surgical Clinics of North America and one issue of the Emergency Medicine Clinics of North America. He has lectured extensively nationally and internationally in Europe, North, Central and South America, Asia and Australia and New Zealand and has been an invited Visiting Professor at many prestigious institutions. He has received multiple teaching awards from medical students, residents and surgical societies nationally and internationally. His expertise and operative skills have been the subject of many documentaries and programs including a 60 Minutes program with Dan Rather, a two hour documentary about his life on the Discovery Health Channel titled "Medical Maverick" as well as another Discovery Special titled "Surgery

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Saved My Life - Battlefield Miami”.

Dr. Asensio social conscience led him to be involved and concerned with impact of violence in youth, particularly the Hispanic youth and frequently addresses audiences nationally and internationally regarding urban violence and education. His efforts in Trauma prevention have been recognized widely in many national and international documentaries, films and newspaper articles. He has received multiple Humanitarian of the year awards and commendations including commendations from the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of California, the District Attorney of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors and the Los Angeles City Council. Recently he was awarded the Gold Medal of the Mutua Scientific and Philanthropic foundation of The Kings of Spain for his scientific work in difficult injuries and difficult problems in Trauma Surgery, shock and exsanguination, for his defense of human rights and Trauma Prevention efforts by both the King and Queen of Spain. He has recently been awarded the Order of Merit of Colombia for Meritorious Services Rendered to The Colombian Military and The Country of Colombia.

Dr. Asensio's initiatives have played a strong role in the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma/Prevention subcommittee in the developing of a trauma prevention presentation and in the future of Trauma Prevention post-graduate course. The Trauma Outreach Program is one of the few recognized and listed by the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma (AAST). He was named to serve in the University of Southern California Multidisciplinary Trauma Prevention Initiative.

The Trauma Outreach Program has been requested to serve as a model by many Divisions of Trauma and Department's of Surgery in the US, Spain, Finland, Australia, Mexico, Colombia, Argentina and Panama.

It serves as the model for the Pan American Trauma Society. Dr. Asensio's special interests are Korean Martial Arts: Tae Kwon Do, Hap Ki Do, Kung Jung Mu Sool and Scuba Diving-Wall Diving, Deep Diving and Wreck Penetration. He has been named as one of the hundred most influential Hispanics in the USA, as well as, a Lifetime Member of Who is Who in America.

Dr. Asensio has also served in the Distinguished Visiting Surgeons Program, a joint program of the United States Armed Forces and the American Association for the surgery of Trauma-AAST operating on the

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wounded casualties of both the Afghanistan and Iraq wars in Landstuhl Army Regional Medical Center, Germany. He is the Creator and Director of the Annual Masters of Trauma Surgery Course.

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