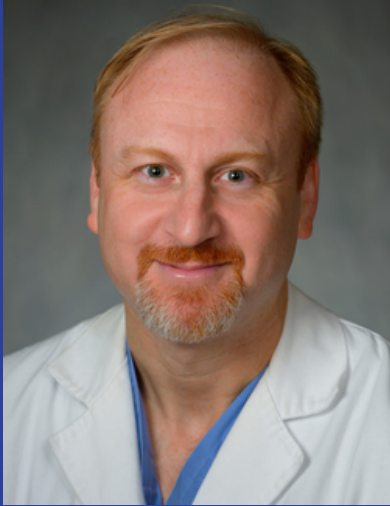


Meet Executive Council Member, Dr. Joshua Bleier



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Fun Facts:

- I love Karaoke
- I read a book a day, usually Sci-Fi or Fantasy
- Despite what Kyle Cologne says, I invented the anal Rorschach
- I have 4 kids and a dog, Spencer. My daughter is 21, my oldest son is almost 20, and I have twin boys who are 16.
- My wife, Sara, and I will be celebrating our 25th anniversary in April, and she is what keeps me going.
- I have 8 articles of Diet Mt. Dew clothing

I was born in Philadelphia, at one of the hospitals I work at, and grew up in Villanova. I have been in Philly for my entire life except for residency (Cornell) and fellowship (Minnesota). I went to college and med school at Penn, and came back to work at Penn straight out of fellowship, hired by Bob Fry, and have been here for the last 17 years.

I am a Member-at-Large on the EC and the ASCRS representative to the Young Surgeons and the New Technology Committees.

I am also a member of the Pelvic Floor Consortium.

I am on the Board of Directors of the ABCRS and serve as Chair of the Governance Committee. I am Treasurer/Secretary of the Executive Board of the Association of Program Directors in Colorectal Surgery (APDCRS) and Chair of the Website Committee. I am a member of the ACGME Colorectal Review Committee.

My personal Career interests are Resident Education, complex fistulas and fecal incontinence.

The Executive Council is focusing on Developing our International connections as well as working on evolving the Society's ability to help our members grow and develop into the future by expanding ASCRS U in multiple developmental pathways and securing ourselves financially with the 125th Anniversary Campaign.

