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Dr. Leigh Neumayer

Department of Surgery Leadership Transition

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After five years as chair of the Department of Surgery, Leigh Neumayer, MD, MS, FACS, has announced that she will return to a full-time faculty role at the end of August. As the Margaret E. and Fenton L. Maynard Endowed Chair in Breast Cancer Research, and Professor in the Department of Surgery and Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Dr. Neumayer will focus on national and local efforts to prepare the next generation of surgeons to provide innovative surgical care.

During her tenure as department chair, Dr. Neumayer has been instrumental in restoring critically important transplant programs, supporting the Banner Health partnership, recruiting renowned surgeons, and training the next generation of physician leaders. We are grateful to her for serving as chair of the Department of Surgery, interim senior vice president for University of Arizona Health Sciences (UAHS), and interim executive dean of the College of Medicine – Tucson.

A committee to identify an interim chair of surgery will be assembled shortly, and updates on the outcome of that process will be shared once it is completed.



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