

St. Joseph Hospital OB/GYN Residency

Kristin Powell, MD, FACOG Program Director



Dr. Powell received her Bachelor of Science from the University of Florida, a Master of Science from Georgetown University, and her MD and residency training from the University of South Florida. Dr. Powell's passion for teaching led her to a position as an Academic Generalist at Albert Einstein College of Medicine. She later joined the faculty at the University of Colorado and most recently worked at Denver Health. While at CU, she served as Associate Program Director for the residency and was the founding Director of the Ob/Gyn Hospitalist fellowship. She joined St. Joseph Hospital as the Residency Program Director in May 2025. An Associate Clinical Professor at the University of Colorado, Dr. Powell is a diplomate and oral board examiner for the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Outside of work, she enjoys spending time with her husband, camping, hiking, and traveling, but her most beloved role is being Aunt Kristin.

Meredith Alston, MD, FACOG Enterprise DIO, Intermountain Health, Women and Infants Department Chair



Dr. Alston obtained her undergraduate degree from the University of Colorado at Boulder and her MD from Emory University. She returned to the University of Colorado for her residency training in Obstetrics and Gynecology. Following training, Dr. Alston joined the University of Colorado and Denver Health Medical Center faculty, where she stayed for 15 years. She served as Residency Program Director, Vice-Chair of Education and Associate Director for Inpatient Services during that time. She joined the team at St. Joseph Hospital as Program Director for Obstetrics and Gynecology in January 2023. Dr. Alston is active with many national organizations, including ACGME, ABOG and ASCCP. She is a Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Colorado. Dr. Alston's clinical and research interests include gynecologic ultrasound, lower genital tract disease, patient length of stay and medical education

Elaine Landry, MD, FACOG Associate Program Director, Chair GME Council for Excellence, Empowerment, and Engagement



Dr. Landry completed her undergraduate (Rice University) and medical (UT Southwestern) school training in Texas before coming to Denver for residency (University of Colorado). Dr. Landry has spent her whole career in academic medicine and has been on the faculty here at SJH since 2006. Elaine is passionate about health justice and care for marginalized patient populations. She currently serves as Chair of the GME Council for Excellence, Empowerment, and Engagement. As the Associate PD, she has worked to expand the Acting Internship program as a key part of resident recruitment. She enjoys hiking, SUP, cooking, reading, traveling, xc skiing, and jumping into cold mountain lakes. Though an avowed introvert, she is happiest having one-on-one conversations and meaningful connections with others.

Rachel Gaffney, MD, FACOG

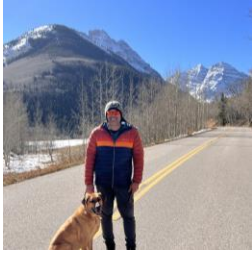


Dr. Rachel Gaffney attended college and medical school at the University of North Carolina and moved to Denver for residency training at the University of Colorado. She enjoyed several years of private practice before joining the Saint Joseph Hospital Faculty in 2003. Dr. Gaffney served as the medical director of the Seton Women's Center for many years. She enjoys explaining complicated concepts to patients and has special interest in pelvic pain evaluation and treatment, and in high-risk obstetrics. When she's not at the clinic, look for her hiking a trail, soaking in a natural hot spring, or motorcycling to a remote fishing stream.



Robin Fennimore, MD, FACOG, Assistant Residency Program Director for Wellness

Dr. Robin Fennimore is originally from Baltimore, Maryland. She received her undergraduate degree in psychology and math from Colby College in Maine, where she played lacrosse. After graduating from George Washington University School of Medicine in Washington, DC, she spent the next four years at the University of Colorado Ob/Gyn residency program. After residency, Dr. Fennimore joined a busy private practice for four years before becoming part of the Saint Joe's family. Away from the hospital, Dr. Fennimore enjoys spending time with her husband, Blair, and their twin boys. They often visit her twin sister, who lives in Beaver Creek, to enjoy skiing in the winter and camping, hiking and fishing in the summer.



Jorge Garibay, MD, FACOG Assistant Residency Program Director for Simulation and Evaluation

Originally from Lima, Peru, Dr. Garibay completed his medical degree and OB/GYN residency at Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos in Lima. He then worked as a research fellow in urogynecology at the Cleveland Clinic Florida in Weston, Florida before moving to Cleveland, Ohio to complete an OB/GYN residency at Case Western Reserve University - MetroHealth. After completing his residency, Dr. Garibay joined the faculty at MetroHealth as an OB/GYN generalist. He was an Assistant Professor at Case Western Reserve University and the Labor and Delivery Director. He joined the faculty at SJH in 2021. His clinical interests include obstetrics, including high-risk, benign gynecology, minimally-invasive surgery, menopause and pelvic floor disorders.



Christine Giesing, MD, FACOG Assistant Residency Program Director for Ambulatory Care, Medical Director-Seton Women's Center

Dr. Christine Giesing received her undergraduate education at Gustavus Adolphus College in Minnesota. After graduating from the University of South Dakota School of Medicine, she completed her residency training at Kaiser Santa Clara in Northern California. Before joining the faculty, she was in private practice in the Denver area but she has enjoyed her return to academic medicine. She has a special interest in vulvovaginal disease. In her spare time, she enjoys trail running, road biking, playing the guitar and spending time with her three boys.



Marshall Gottesfeld, MD, FACOG Assistant Residency Program Director for Curriculum

Dr. Marshall Gottesfeld grew up in Denver and attended Amherst College in Massachusetts. He returned to Denver for medical school and residency at the University of Colorado. After 11 years in private practice, he joined the Saint Joseph Hospital Residency Program faculty in 2006. He previously served as the Program Director from 2014-2019. When not working, he enjoys skiing and running marathons with his wife Joyce, an OB-Gyn who also works with the residents. They have three daughters, none of whom appears to be interested in medicine. Marshall has an addiction to golf and loves movies and trivia.



Jennifer Libra, Program Manager

Jennifer has been with the organization for over thirty years and has been the Program Manager of the OB/GYN Residency since 2018. Jennifer's favorite part of her job is working with the residents, faculty, and medical students. She thrives in the team environment. In her spare time, Jennifer enjoys spending time with her husband and son, hiking, running, and being outdoors.



Shawna Tonick, MD, FACOG Medical Student Director

Dr. Shawna Tonick completed all of her education and training in her home state of New York. She obtained her undergraduate degree from Cornell University and her medical degree from SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University College of Medicine. She completed her residency training at Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell. She has been practicing as an academic generalist OB/GYN in Colorado since 2018 and joined the Saint Joseph Hospital faculty in 2025. Dr. Tonick has a special interest in surgical simulation, pregnancy of unknown location/ectopic pregnancy, medical education, and perinatal mental health. Outside of work, she enjoys hiking, skiing, and spending time with her husband, daughter, and standard poodle



Karin Wollschlaeger, MD, FACOG, FRCPC, Assistant Residency Program Director for QI, Scholarly Activity and Global Health, Director of Medical Students

Dr. Karin Wollschlaeger completed her undergraduate studies at The University of Western Ontario in London, Canada. Dr. Wollschlaeger went to medical school at McMaster University in Hamilton, Canada where she played on the varsity water polo team. During this time Dr. Wollschlaeger completed a rotating internship at the Ottawa General Hospital in Ottawa Canada. Following this, she spent a year in Cambodia working with the NGO "World Relief" and then started her Ob/Gyn Residency at the University of Chicago. This was followed by several years in private practice in Toronto and New York. She then moved into academic medicine at Mt. Sinai in New York City, Westchester Medical Center in Valhalla, New York, followed by St. Joseph Hospital in Denver where she has been for 13 years. International mission work is one of her passions and she has traveled to Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, India, Nepal, Cambodia, Zimbabwe, Tanzania, Congo (DRC), Sudan, and South Sudan. This has led to the development of an OB/GYN resident Global Health Elective to Arusha, Tanzania. Dr. Wollschlaeger enjoys teaching, working with the residents, and medical students, and is the medical student director. She graduated from the APGO SES (Surgical Education Scholars) Program (2016) and used those skills to head the resident research and scholarly activity program.

She has two children, loves the outdoors, downhill and back country skiing with her dog, hut trips, mountain biking, triathlons, and climbing 14ers. Dr. Wollschlaeger is fluent in German.