

Christopher Schmidt, MD



Christopher C. Schmidt, MD, is an Active Member of the American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons (ASES). He serves as Director of the Shoulder and Elbow Fellowship, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center and Co-Director of the Shoulder and Elbow Biomechanics Laboratory. He is nationally recognized for his publications and committee work on the distal biceps tendon, rotator cuff tears, shoulder arthroplasty, ligament healing, etc. Dr. Schmidt runs a busy shoulder and elbow practice, performing over 700 cases per year. He has served on a number of educational and volunteer governance committees for the AAOS and the ASES, including the recent AAOS Clinical Practice Guidelines Committee for Full Thickness Rotator Cuff Tears. He has been named as one of Pittsburgh's Best Doctors by *Pittsburgh Magazine*.

Medical School, University of Wisconsin; Orthopaedic Residency, University of Pittsburgh Affiliated Hospitals: Upper Extremity Fellowship, Indiana Hand to Shoulder Center (Indiana University).

The shoulder and elbow fellow receives a high-quality education through hands on training in the office and operating room, weekly conferences, anatomic dissections, and open and arthroscopic model and cadaveric skill laboratories. The fellow rotates with Dr. Schmidt 3 days/week for 6 months and 1 day/week for the additional 6 months, divided into 3 month blocks. The fellow is given 1 day/week for research, elective clinical time, or practicing surgical skills. Money and time is provided to the fellow to attend 2 outside educational courses on shoulder and elbow surgery, coding, or the business of medicine.