

ORTHOINDY TRAUMA



Since 1993, OrthoIndy has been training orthopedic traumatologists. The team, with a combined 119 years of experience, includes six fellowship trained traumatologists (staff has trained at Shock Trauma, Harborview, Johns Hopkins and OrthoIndy Trauma). In the 26 years since our fellowship began, OrthoIndy has trained 46 board certified surgeons who have gone on to practice in both academic and community settings across the country.

In an effort to create a comprehensive training experience, as a fellow, you will be exposed to management of a large volume of patients. The scope of practice will include acute poly trauma injuries, complex articular injuries, along with fragility fractures, peri-prosthetic fractures, malunions, nonunions and a very active reconstructive (total joint) and osteotomy experience. We have a weekly multi-disciplinary didactic conference. All patient care is under the direct guidance of our experienced staff surgeons.

- We've created a system that allows the fellow the flexibility to be available for a greater number of operative cases (>800 per year).
- We have built a team of very experienced mid-level practitioners who are primarily responsible for all ER and floor consults, daily rounds and clinic visits. This allows the fellow the freedom to focus on his/her education and operative skills that will be paramount in their practice post-fellowship.
- There is also time dedicated to research and study.

Ascension St. Vincent Trauma Center

- Six Ascension St. Vincent StatFlight helicopter bases stationed around the state (largest air medical provider in Indiana)
- 840 bed facility, Level I Trauma Center
- In 2021, there were 46,855 patients seen in the ER
 - 4,397 trauma activations
 - 2,610 orthopedic admits/consults
 - 92% blunt trauma
 - 7% penetrating trauma
 - 1% burn

Level I Trauma Center

In 2012, we transitioned our entire trauma program to the Ascension St. Vincent Trauma Center. In 2016, the Ascension St. Vincent Trauma Center became a Level I facility. Since OrthoIndy Trauma personally had a hand in building the program, we have been able to draw on everyone's far reaching experience to create a trauma program that was described as "the best start up trauma program," according to the American College of Surgeons. In the past, we have trained anywhere between two and four fellows per year. We are consistently increasing our case volume with the maximum number of cases by a fellow being 1,216 to date. OrthoIndy Trauma, along with Ascension St. Vincent, has served as an AOTrauma Fellowship Host Center hosting fellows from around the world. We hope these resources are consistent with the style of learning you are seeking.

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2022 OrthoIndy Trauma Case Volume (Average Fellow Case Number)*

Bicondylar Tibial Plateau: 23

Calcaneus/Talus: 32

Distal Radius (Intraarticular): 13

Femoral Shaft: 43

Humerus: 15

Nonunion/Malunion: 23

Pelvic Ring/Acetabulum: 88

Periarticular Elbow: 31

Pilon: 29

Proximal Femur/THA: 118

Supra/Intra-condylar Distal Femur: 23

Tibial Shaft: 31

* At or above median in all categories compared to other fellowships reporting case logs to OTA.

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"OrthoIndy's Trauma fellowship program was a fantastic experience, offering the fellow the opportunity to focus on his or her education...truly focus. The support staff is amazing from research to the physician extenders. The faculty has no expectation from you other than to maximize your year there from a strictly educational standpoint."

– Brandon Horne, MD
OrthoIndy Trauma Fellow (2014-2015)