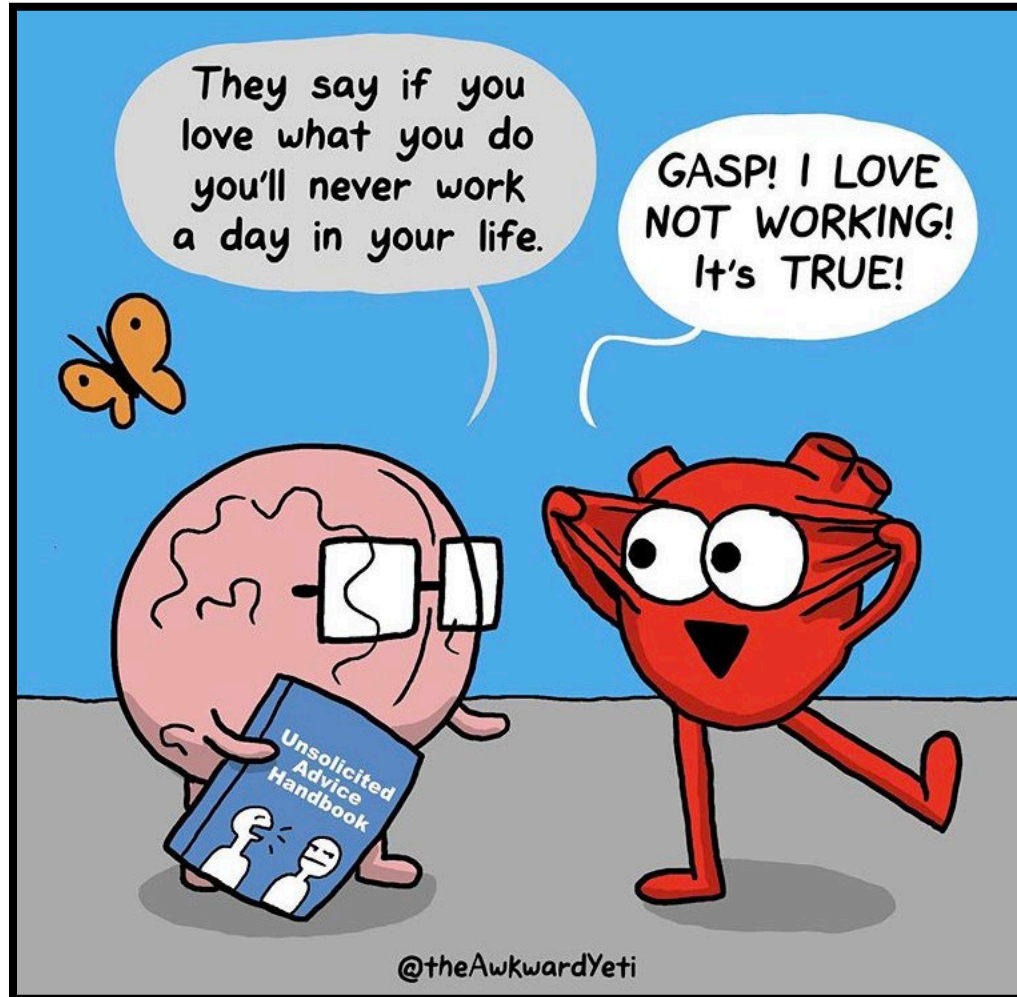


Transitioning to Practice: Getting Comfortable as a Staff Surgeon



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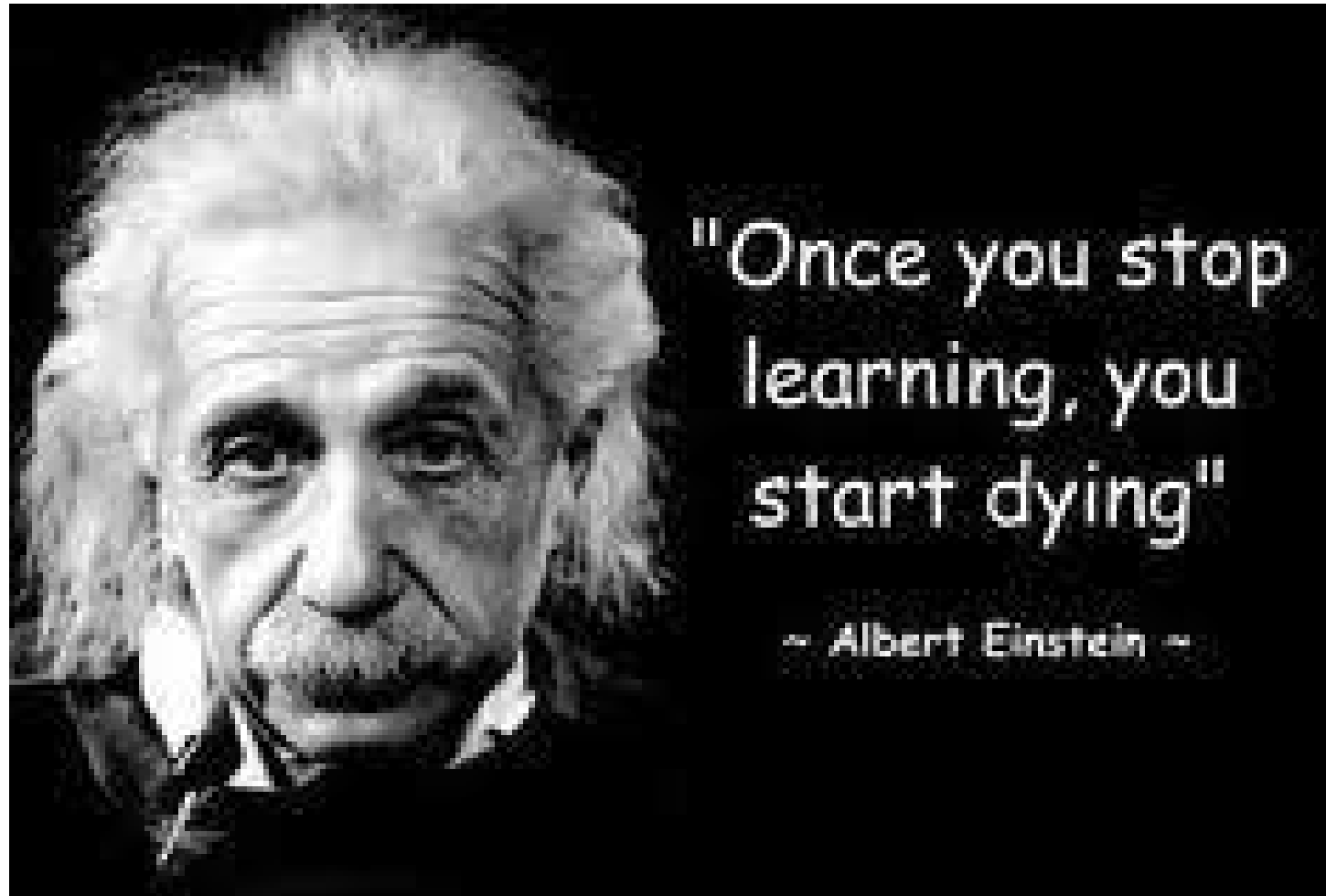


Tips for Fellowship

- Do cases
- Watch cases
- Take notes and photos
- Ask questions
- Go to clinic



Develop and Maintain Learning Habits



- Journals and textbooks
- Courses or degrees
- Conferences
- Pass your boards



“Bad news kid, you never get to rotate off the Gillaspie service”

Dr. Mark Allen



Establish Your Clinical and Operative Expertise



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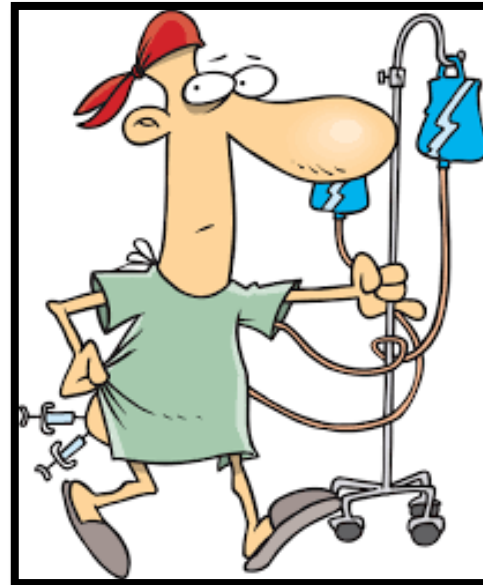
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 - Relationships in the OR
- Build clinical reputation with great outcomes



Building Your Clinical Reputation



Communication



Patient Care



Surgical Outcomes



Dealing with Complications

- Complications DO occur at an expected frequency
- Push in, don't back away
- Ask for help
- Learn from mistakes
- Learn to move forward

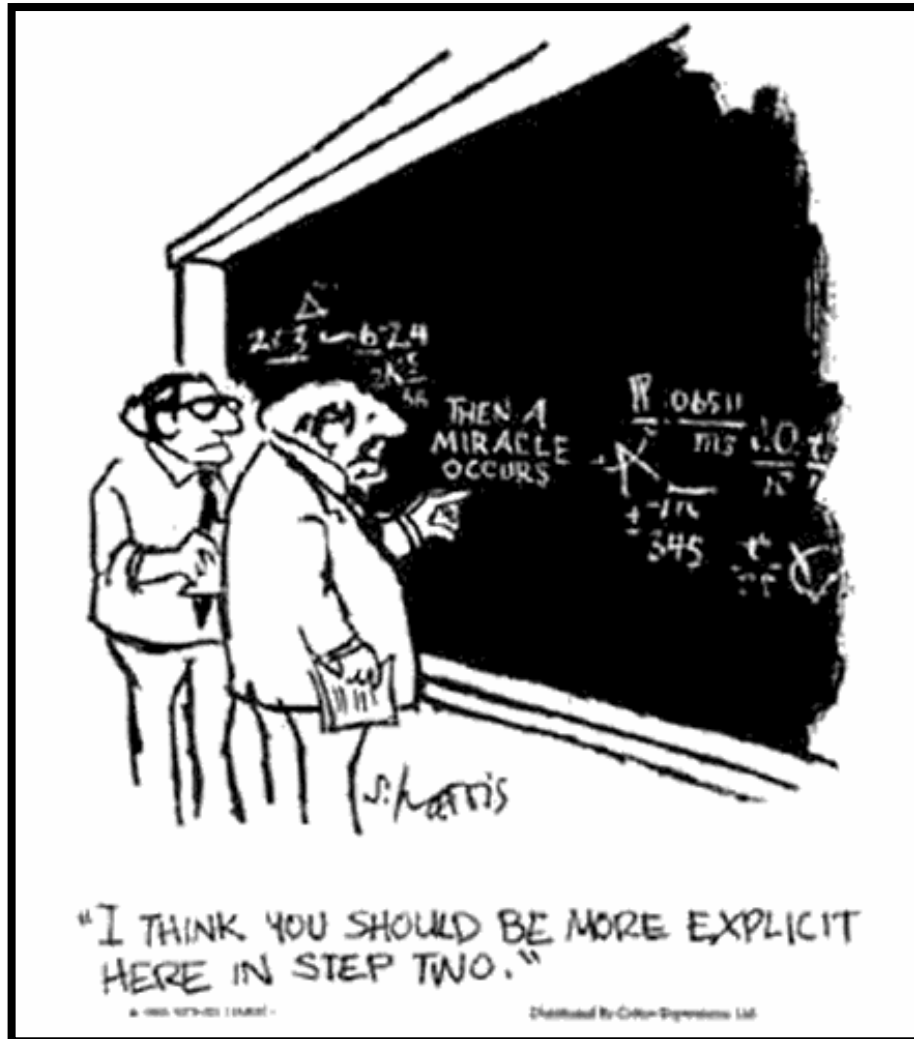


Build and Keep Relationships

- Referring Providers
- Mentors
- Partners
- Contemporaries



Learn the Business of Medicine



- Understand your metrics
- Billers/coders
- Documentation

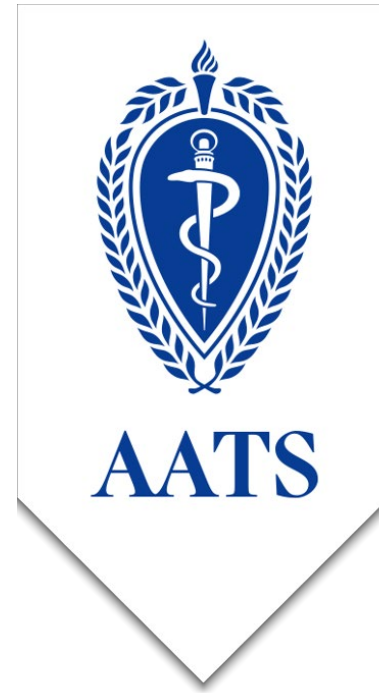


Education



Research and Academic Pursuits

- Find a research focus
- Don't be afraid to change it
- Find mentors
- Early career grant and mentorship opportunities



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Final Thoughts

- Invest time in and promote yourself
- Invest time in your team/institution
- Invest time in your colleagues
- Invest time in your learners
- Invest time in your patients

- These will be an investment well made!!



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