

Application for Establishing an ACVS Fellowship Program

The application for establishing an ACVS Fellowship Program should include the following:

I. Justification for development of the Fellowship Program:

- A. Evidence that there is a critical mass of ACVS Diplomates within the field who wish to establish the program.
- B. A list of at least five ACVS Diplomates who are committed to the program.
- C. Description of the specific knowledge base or practice area that exists to merit an ACVS Fellowship Program.

II. A description of the proposed training program for the Fellowship:

- A. Case type and numbers expected.
- B. Activities/rotations to be undertaken.
- C. Seminars, rounds, lectures, conferences to be attended/presented.
- D. Scholarly activities.
- E. Training timelines.

III. List and description of any facility or instructional requirements for institutions providing training within the Fellowship.

IV. **Proposed procedures for recognition of Fellows successfully completing the program:**

- A. Competency assessment methods including evaluations, module completion and/or examination.
- B. Documentation of required clinical/non-clinical experience.
 - 1. Case logs.
 - 2. Activity logs.

V. Plan for organization and administration of the Fellowship:

- A. Selection of officers/board members/committee members.
- B. Duties of officers/board members/committee members.

VI. Mechanisms for continual updating of the Fellowship such as inclusion of:

- A. Advancements of knowledge in the area of the Fellowship.
- B. Incorporation of new procedures, techniques, etc.

VII. Mechanisms for ACVS Diplomates to qualify as Founding Fellows:

- A. "Open Call" period for ACVS Diplomates to apply.
- B. Minimum requirements needed to be considered a Founding Fellow.
- C. Mechanism for evaluation of ACVS Diplomates as Founding Fellows.
- D. Recognition of acceptance as a Founding Fellow.
- E. Fees associated with becoming a Founding Fellow