BIOGRAPHY

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Daniel B. Jones, MD, MS, FASMBS, is a Professor of Harvard Medical School and Vice Chair of the Department of Surgery at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. He is Chief of the Division of Bariatric & Minimally Invasive Surgery and Director of the Carl J Shapiro Simulation and Skills Center. He graduated from Cornell University and Weil Cornell Medical School. Dr. Jones completed General Surgery and MIS training at Washington University - Barnes Hospital, St. Louis. Dr. Jones is Past President of the Society of American Gastrointestinal & Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES) and Past President of the Association for Surgical Education (ASE). He is a trustee of the Society of Surgery of the Alimentary Tract (SSAT) and recipient of several societal awards including the James IV Travel Award, SAGES Medical Leadership Award, ASE Distinguished Educator Award, and the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery (ASMBS) Patient Safety and Quality Award.

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As a resident at Washington University, Dr. Jones scrubbed cases with former ASBS President John Halverson. After graduation, Dr. Jones joined the faculty of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center and founded the Southwestern Center for Minimally Invasive Surgery. In partnership with Dr. David Provost, Dr. Jones performed the first laparoscopic gastric bypass in Texas in 1997. He also established Bariatric Surgery Mini-fellowships and formal year-long MIS fellowships. He served on the ASBS Preceptor Committee. Dr. Jones was also a founding member of the Fellowship Council.

Dr. Jones is most proud of the 35 past clinical and research fellows he trained: Daniel Scott, Elizabeth Hamilton, Leonardo Villegas, Craig Chang, Benjamin Schneider, Ashish Patel, Shishir Maithel, Marcos Molina, Vivian Sanchez, Thomas McIntyre, Michael Edwards, James Ellsmere, Ronit Grinbaum, Shawn Tsuda, Limaris Barrios, Henry Lin, Robert Lim, Jamie Adair, Robert Andrews, Arpan Goel, Rahul Gupta, Abe Frech, Omar Yusef Kudsi, Souheil Adra, Jaisa Olasky, Hussna Wakily, Robert Sung, Steven Henriques, John Paul Sanders, Brian Nguyen, Emily Fitzpatrick, Rassoul Abu-Nuwar, Mojdeh Kappus, Blaine Philips, Hung Troung. He credits George Blackburn, MD, PHD, as his academic mentor.

Dr. Jones was recruited to Harvard and the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in 2003. He founded the Shapiro Simulation and Skills Center and hosted numerous CME bariatric courses. He served on the Betsy Lehman Expert Panel on Weight Loss Surgery and established best practice guidelines. Dr. Jones was the brainchild for the Harvard Medical School international symposium, “Obesity Surgery: Patient Safety and Best Practices.” He was a co-chair along with Dr. Bruce Schirmer and established the American College of Surgeons (ACS) Bariatric Surgery Center Network and their accreditation process. When the ACS and ASMBS partnered to create the Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery Accreditation and Quality Improvement Program (MBSAQIP), Dr. Jones co-chaired the Verification Committee and oversaw the accreditation of over 900 bariatric programs in the United States.

In an effort to better educate trainees, Dr. Jones, with his wife, Dr. Stephanie Jones, an anesthesiologist, created an online educational platform to teach best practices for laparoscopic gastric band and gastric bypass. The project was funded by CRICO, a malpractice carrier. Five years later, Drs. Jones expanded the online site in collaboration with the ASMBS to include gastric sleeve and other procedures. The Drs. Jones were honored by President Raul Rosenthal, with the ASMBS Presidents Award for the [Essentials.ASMBS.org](https://www.esentials.asmb.org) curriculum.

Dr. Jones has many other major contributions. He initiated and led the ACS-ASE Skills Based Simulation Curriculum for Medical Students Years 1–3. With SAGES,

Dr. Jones led the creation of the Fundamental Use of Surgical Energy (FUSE) curriculum, and he initiated the SAGES University MASTERS Program for lifelong learning. Dr. Jones has been continuously funded by the NIH for two decades for development of virtual reality simulators for training and outcomes after bariatric surgery. Dr. Jones has 27 books and over 350 publications.

Dr. Jones lives in Wayland, MA. Son Ryan lives in San Diego, CA, and daughters Cara and Leah are completing their junior year at Columbia University. Dan and Stephanie enjoy travel, theater, and sporting events, most notably their daughters' college lacrosse games.