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**Orthopaedic Surgeon P. Shea Brannan, M.D.,
Joins UAMS Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine in Fayetteville**

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — P. Shea Brannan, M.D. has joined the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) as a hand and upper extremity orthopaedic surgeon practicing at UAMS Health Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine. He will see patients in both UAMS clinics in Fayetteville on Ashe Drive (formerly the Shoulder Center of Arkansas) and in Lowell on Latham Drive.

Brannan, a native of Rogers, has more than 15 years of experience in orthopaedic surgery. Following his graduation from Rogers High School, he attended the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Afterward, he returned to Arkansas and earned his medical degree from UAMS. He completed his orthopaedic surgery training at San Antonio Uniform Services Health Education Consortium in San Antonio, Texas.

Brannan, an expert in injuries of the hand, wrist and forearm, brings experience, dedication and compassion to UAMS. Recently retired from the military, he has extensive experience as a combat surgeon. A veteran of six deployments, Brannan has over 800 operations in austere environments and was awarded a Bronze Star for service in Afghanistan. Although his professional foundation stems from his years as a general orthopaedic surgeon, he never lost sight of his true professional passion – hand surgery. Brannan completed a fellowship at OrthoCarolina Hand Center in Charlotte, North Carolina, in 2015. Most recently, he was chief of orthopaedic surgery at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.

Brannan always felt a calling to return to Northwest Arkansas. He is integral to the vision of the UAMS Sports Medicine team, which includes primary care physicians specialty trained in sports needs, sports-certified physical therapists, certified athletic trainers, and experts in women's health, sports nutrition and sports psychology.

Brannan joins Wes Cox, M.D.; Chad Songy, M.D.; Ramon Ylanan, M.D.; Larry Balle II, M.D.; and Navin Kilambi, M.D.; at UAMS Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine.

“Dr. Brannan brings a wealth of experience in hand and upper extremity surgery to UAMS,” Cox said. “We are lucky to have someone with his experience and fellowship-level training join our sports medicine team in Northwest Arkansas.”

Together, they are able to provide complete care for sports-related issues and orthopaedic concerns. This includes everything from an injured athlete looking to get back in the game to the home gardener with joint pain.

Brannan is a Fellow of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, Diplomate of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery, and member of the American Society for Surgery of the Hand.

UAMS is the state’s only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging, Translational Research Institute and Institute for Digital Health & Innovation. UAMS includes UAMS Health, a statewide health system that encompasses all of UAMS’ clinical enterprise including its hospital, regional clinics and clinics it operates or staffs in cooperation with other providers. UAMS is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. *U.S. News & World Report* named UAMS Medical Center the state’s Best Hospital; ranked its ear, nose and throat program among the top 50 nationwide; and named six areas as high performing — cancer, colon cancer surgery, heart failure, hip replacement, knee replacement and lung cancer surgery. UAMS has 2,727 students, 870 medical residents and five dental residents. It is the state’s largest public employer with more than 10,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses, Arkansas Children’s Hospital, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit www.uams.edu or www.uamshealth.com. Find us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or [Instagram](#).

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