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Thoracic Surgeon Nicholas D. Tingquist, M.D., Joins UAMS

LITTLE ROCK — Nicholas D. Tingquist, M.D., a fellowship-trained, board-certified surgeon, joined the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) as an assistant professor in the UAMS College of Medicine’s Division of Thoracic Surgery.

Tingquist treats patients with lung, esophageal and other cancers of the chest, as well as non-cancerous thoracic diseases and conditions, including infectious lung disease, emphysema, pulmonary fibrosis, reflux and hernias. He performs minimally invasive laparoscopic and thoracoscopic procedures as well as robotic chest and abdominal surgery.

He sees patients at the UAMS Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute and at the UAMS Baptist Health Cancer Center at Baptist Health Medical Center in Little Rock.

Before joining UAMS, Tingquist completed a cardiothoracic surgery fellowship at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville, Tennessee. He earned his medical degree and completed his residency in general surgery at UAMS. He is a summa cum laude graduate of the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville.

Tingquist grew up in Sherwood.

“We are delighted that Dr. Tingquist returned home to Arkansas to join our growing cancer surgery team at UAMS,” said Michael Birrer, director of the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Institute and UAMS vice chancellor. “With high rates of lung cancer in our state, his help is needed. We can offer more patients the latest robotic and minimally invasive surgical options to treat their disease.”

Among Tingquist’s many honors and awards, the Vanderbilt University Department of Thoracic Surgery recognized him as an outstanding resident. In 2020, UAMS honored him with the Chris Hackler Award for Excellence in Medical Ethics and Resident of the Year. He is the author of three book chapters on surgical techniques and robotic thoracic

surgery. He is a member of the American Medical Association, American College of Surgeons and the Society of Thoracic Surgeons.

Tingquist is accepting new adult patients. To make an appointment, please call (501) 296-1200.

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