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**UAMS to Hold Oct. 13 Lecture
on Advances in Spinal Neurosurgery**

LITTLE ROCK — Michael P. Kelly, M.D., the director of scoliosis and spinal deformities at Rady Children's Hospital-San Diego, will discuss advances in spinal neurosurgery at a public lecture Oct. 13 at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS).

The free lecture, entitled “Precision-Based Medicine in Spine Surgery: In the OR, In the Lab,” is part of the Flanigan-Boop Endowed Lectureship in Spinal Neurosurgery, and will begin at 5 p.m. in the Fred Smith Auditorium on the 12th floor of the UAMS Jackson T. Stephens Spine Institute. It will be followed by a reception.

To register or to learn more about continuing education credits, visit medicine.uams.edu/neurosurgery/events/flanigan-boop/. The event will also be livestreamed via Zoom, with the link sent to those who indicate on the registration form that they will be attending virtually.

Kelly is also a professor at the University of California, San Diego. Prior to joining Rady Children’s Hospital, he was an associate professor of orthopedic and neurological surgery, director of a fellowship in adult and pediatric spine surgery, and director of spine research at Washington University in St. Louis.

He received his medical degree from the University of Massachusetts Medical School and completed his orthopedic surgery residency at UC San Francisco. He later completed two spine fellowships, including a complex spinal deformity fellowship at Washington University in St. Louis.

The lectureship honors the legacy of Stevenson Flanigan, M.D., former chair of the UAMS Department of Neurosurgery, and Warren C. Boop Jr., M.D., who together built the neurosurgery residency program at UAMS.

UAMS is the state's only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; a 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. UAMS is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. UAMS has 3,047 students, 873 medical residents and fellows, and six dental residents. It is the state's largest public employer with more than 11,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses, Arkansas Children's, 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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