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Colorectal Surgeon S. Thomas Kang, M.D., Joins UAMS

LITTLE ROCK — S. Thomas Kang, 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 Colorectal Surgery.

Kang treats patients with colon, rectal and anal cancers. He offers colon cancer surveillance with colonoscopies and performs minimally invasive laparoscopic and robotic assisted surgery.

Before joining UAMS, Kang completed a colon and rectal surgery fellowship at the University of Alabama Birmingham Medical Center. He completed his residency in general surgery at TriHealth Good Samaritan Hospital in Cincinnati, where he was chief resident and resident of the year. At TriHealth, he was a member of the TriHealth Lifting Caregivers, a volunteer group offering peer support to colleagues in the health system.

Kang received his medical degree from Creighton University School of Medicine in Omaha, Nebraska. He is a magna cum laude graduate of Whitworth University in Spokane, Washington.

During his training, Kang received numerous honors including Creighton University School of Medicine's Medical Dean's Scholarship, which is awarded to students who demonstrate a commitment to diversity through extracurricular and leadership roles. At Creighton, he was an executive board member of Project CURA (Creighton Medical United in Relief Assistance).

Kang is also a cancer researcher and conducts studies on health disparities and surgical education. He has authored several textbook chapters on general surgery and has presented his work at national medical conferences such as the American Society of Colorectal Surgeons and the Annual Cancer Symposium of Society of Surgical Oncology. His work is published in *The American Surgeon*.

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Kang is accepting new adult patients. He sees patients at the UAMS Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute in Little Rock. To make an appointment, please call (501) 296-1200.

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