

Jeremy Bruce, MD, named Chair, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery March 1, 2023



Jeremy Bruce, MD, has accepted appointment as Chair, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, for the UT College of Medicine-Chattanooga. He is also our Program Director of the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Dr. Bruce is is a board-certified orthopaedic surgeon who treats musculoskeletal conditions resulting from injury, overuse, and arthritis. He has special interests in arthroscopy and total joint replacement.

A native of upstate New York where he was a member of The United States Bobsled and Skeleton Team, Dr. Bruce first became interested in sports medicine from his time spent at the Lake Placid Olympic Training facilities.

Dr. Bruce earned his Bachelor's and Master's of Science degrees in Physical Therapy at Springfield College, where he lettered in football and track. After working for several years as a physical therapist, he then continued his studies at the Medical College of Georgia School of Medicine.

After receiving his Doctor of Medicine degree in 2007, Dr. Bruce joined our Orthopaedic Surgery Residency here at the UT College of Medicine-Chattanooga. After serving as Chief Resident and completing his training, he continued his training at a Sports Medicine Fellowship at the Andrews Institute in Gulf Breeze, Florida. As a fellow, Dr. Bruce worked side-by-side with renowned orthopaedic surgeon, Dr. James Andrews. The fellowship provided intensive exposure to team coverage including the Washington Redskins, the Tampa Bay Rays, Pensacola Wahoos AA baseball, and Auburn University. During his year at The Andrews Institute, Dr. Bruce was involved with care of such high-profile athletes such as; Robert Griffin III, Trent Richardson, Rajon Rondo, CC Sabathia, and Marcus Lattimore. He is certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery.

Besides local school coverage in the Chattanooga area, Dr. Bruce has also worked as a ringside physician at UFC/Bellator MMA events here in Tennessee and is a USA Boxing Medical Commission member. Dr. Bruce has been mentioned in ESPN the Magazine for his work on Youth Injury Prevention, as well as several websites including espn.com, foxnews.com and sports.yahoo.com. Dr. Bruce has published over 25 scientific articles in peer-reviewed journals and has presented this research at numerous national and regional meetings. He stays involved with research and academic pursuits with the UT College of Medicine-Chattanooga Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, also serving as Chair and Residency Program Department for the University, and as Chief of Sports Medicine for Erlanger Health System.

In addition to his role as orthopaedic surgeon, Chair, and Program Director, Dr. Bruce is also a devoted husband and father. He has two daughters and a son. In his spare time he enjoys golf, playing guitar, rock climbing, hiking, and is involved with Calvary Chapel.

Education

Medical School: Medical College of Georgia (Augusta, GA)

Residency: Orthopaedic Surgery

University of Tennessee College of Medicine- Chattanooga

Fellowship: Orthopaedic Sports Medicine: The Andrews Institute

