

## **Dr. Richard C. Anderson Appointed Chair of Surgery at the University of Illinois College of Medicine Peoria**

**Renowned Thoracic Surgeon to Lead Surgical Education and Innovation in Central Illinois**



**New York City, New York Jun 9, 2025 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com))** - The University of Illinois College of Medicine Peoria (UICOMP) proudly announces the appointment of Dr. Richard C. Anderson, MD, FACS, as Chair of the Department of Surgery. Dr. Anderson, a distinguished thoracic surgeon with over two decades of experience, has been a pivotal figure in advancing surgical education and patient care in the region.

Dr. Anderson's medical journey began with a magna cum laude degree in Biochemistry from Benedictine University in 1988. He earned his medical degree from Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine in 1992, followed by a general surgery residency at UICOMP and a thoracic surgery fellowship at Washington University/Barnes Hospital in St. Louis. Board-certified in both General and Thoracic Surgery, Dr. Anderson has been instrumental in integrating cutting-edge surgical techniques into clinical practice.

In his new role, Dr. Anderson will oversee surgical education and clinical programs, including serving as the Medical Director for the lung cancer program and Director of Surgical Education at UnityPoint Health Methodist. His leadership is expected to further enhance the institution's commitment to excellence in surgical training and patient outcomes.

Dr. Anderson's contributions extend beyond the operating room. He has been recognized with numerous teaching awards, including the Lorin D. Whittaker, Sr., M.D. UICOMP Department of Surgery Teacher of the Year Award for multiple consecutive years and the Golden Apple Award – Raymond B. Allen Instructorship Award. His peers and students alike commend his dedication to mentorship and education.

A resident of Morton, Illinois, Dr. Anderson balances his professional commitments with family life, actively participating in his children's extracurricular activities. His appointment as Chair marks a significant milestone for UICOMP, promising continued advancement in surgical care and education for the Peoria community and beyond.

### **Learn More about Dr. Richard C. Anderson:**

Through his findatopdoc profile, <https://www.findatopdoc.com/doctor/564945-Richard-Anderson-Surgeon> or through OSF <https://www2.osfhealthcare.org/providers/richard-anderson-1464718>

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