



## **Richard G. Azizkhan, MD**

### **Title**

Surgeon-in-Chief; Lester W. Martin Chair of Pediatric Surgery

### **Appointment**

Professor of Surgery and Pediatrics

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### **Bio**

The first occupant of the Lester W. Martin Chair in pediatric surgery, Richard G. Azizkhan, MD, came to [Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center](#) from Children's Hospital of Buffalo, Buffalo, NY, where he had been surgeon-in-chief and director of the pediatric surgery training program.

Dr. Azizkhan serves on the Executive Committee of the [American Academy of Pediatrics, Surgical Section](#), and is Program Chairman for Pediatric Surgery American College of Surgeons.

In addition to his clinical work, Azizkhan is deeply involved in research and has published prolifically in medical literature. He is currently working on a book titled, *Operative Pediatric Surgery*, with former surgeon-in-chief, Moritz Ziegler, MD. Azizkhan is the project coordinator for Cincinnati Children's [International Medical Education Exchange Program](#) with Bosnia (Tuzla) and Croatia (Zagreb Children's Hospital).

As a surgical educator, he is director of the [Pediatric Surgery Training Program](#) and responsible for all surgical educational programs at Cincinnati Children's.

## **Credentials**

**MD:** Doctor of Medicine, Milton S. Hershey Center of Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine Hershey, PA, 1972 to 1975.

**Residency:** Pediatric Surgery, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD; Surgery, University of Virginia Medical Center, Charlottesville, VA.

**Fellowship:** Department of Surgery, Children's Hospital Medical Center, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA.

**Certification:** General Surgery, 1984, recertified 1992; Pediatric Surgery, 1986, recertified 1993; Surgical Critical Care, 1989.

## **Awards and Honors**

- Best Doctors in America, 2008
- Awarded "[2005 Best Doctors](#)"
- Awarded "[2004 Best Doctors](#)"
- The Best Doctors in America, 1998 to 2000
- Who's Who, 2,000 Notable American Men, 1993 to 2000
- Who's Who in America, 1999
- Who's Who in Science and Engineering, 1992 to 1999
- Distinguished Lecturer, James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Sick Children, Indianapolis, IN, 1999
- Honorary President, Bosnian Pediatric Surgical Society, 1998 to present
- The Best Doctors in America: Northeast Region, 1996 to 1998
- Research Board of Advisors of The American Biographical Institute, 1997 to present
- Miracle Maker of the Year, Children's Miracle Network, 1996
- Alumni Fellow of the Year Pennsylvania State University, 1995
- Pearls Day lecturer elected by fourth year UNC medical students, 1992

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- Alpha Omega Alpha, Faculty Member, University of North Carolina, 1989
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- The Hymen L. Battle Distinguished Excellence in Teaching Award in the Clinical Sciences, University of North Carolina School of Medicine, 1988
- Junior Faculty Development Award, University of North Carolina, 1987
- Smith Kline and French Fellowship Award, American College of Surgeons, 1986
- Schering Scholarship Award, American College of Surgeons, 1983
- Hugh S. Warren Teaching Award, University of Virginia School of Medicine, 1983
- American Cancer Society Junior Fellowship Award, University of Virginia School of Medicine, 1982
- Bigger-Lehman Research Award, Virginia Surgical Society, 1982
- Upjohn Achievement Award for Academic Excellence in Medicine, University of Virginia School of Medicine, 1981
- Lange Medical Award for Academic Excellence, Pennsylvania State University School of Medicine, 1976
- National Science Foundation Summer Research Award, Dickinson College, 1972
- Bachelor of Science, cum laude and Honors in Biology, Dickinson College, 1972

## Research

Trauma systems; injury prevention; fetal lung development; vascular malformations; solid tumors in childhood

## Professional Organization Memberships

- [Ohio State Medical Association](#), 1999
- [American College of Surgeons](#), Ohio Chapter, 1999
- [Academy of Medicine of Cincinnati](#), 1999
- [Central Surgical Association](#), 1999
- Pediatric Oncology Group, 1994
- Buffalo Surgical Society, 1994
- [Society of Laparoscopic Surgeons](#), 1994
- [American College of Physician Executives](#), 1994
- New York Chapter of the American College of Surgeons, 1994
- Erie County Medical Society, 1994
- [Society of Surgical Oncology](#), 1994
- [North Carolina Pediatric Society](#), 1985 to 1993
- [North Carolina Medical Society](#), 1991 to 1993
- North Carolina Chapter American College of Surgeons, 1989 to 1993
- North Carolina Pediatric Surgery Society, 1985 to 1993
- Children's Cancer Group, 1985 to 1993
- [Society of University Surgeons](#), 1992
- Societe Internationale de Chirurgie, 1991

- Durham-Orange County Medical Society, 1991
- International Society for the Surgery of Trauma and Surgical Intensive Care, 1991
- International Society of Pediatric Surgical Oncology, Charter Member 1991
- [American Medical Association](#), 1991
- [American Pediatric Surgical Association](#), 1989
- Pediatric Surgery Biology Club, 1989
- [American College of Surgeons](#), 1988
- [American Academy of Pediatrics, Surgical Section](#), 1988
- [American Association for Surgery of Trauma](#), 1988
- [Association of Academic Surgery](#), 1985
- [Association for Advancement of Science](#), 1985
- Womack Surgical Society, 1985
- Johns Hopkins Medical & Surgical Society, 1985
- Muller Surgical Society, 1983

## Special Interests

Complex mediastinal airway disorders; surgical oncology; neonatal anomalies; chest wall deformities; vascular malformations; esophageal disorders; pediatric trauma; epidermolysis bullosa

## Editing

- Reviewer, *Journal of Pediatrics*
- Reviewer, [Journal of Pediatric Surgery](#)
- Ad hoc reviewer, *Journal of Vascular Surgery*
- Ad hoc reviewer, [Journal of Trauma](#)
- Ad hoc reviewer, [CA: A Cancer Journal for Clinicians](#)
- Ad hoc reviewer, *Cancer*
- Ad hoc reviewer, [Lancet](#)
- Ad hoc reviewer, [Annals of Surgical Oncology](#)
- Guest editor, *Seminars in Pediatric Surgery*, dedicated to Pediatric Anesthesia 1999, and Gastrointestinal bleeding in children, 1999

## Funded Training Programs

Director of [Pediatric Surgery Training Program](#) at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.

## Related Areas

This person works in these other areas at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center:

- [University of Cincinnati Department of Pediatrics](#)
- [University of Cincinnati Department of Pediatrics](#) (research)
- [General and Thoracic Surgery](#) (research)

- [General and Thoracic Surgery](#)
- [Hemangioma and Vascular Malformation Center](#)
- [Colorectal Center](#)