Visiting Professor Program – Named Lectureships

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(L-R) Dr. George Meier III and Dr. Cary Copeland

The Copeland-Meier lecture was established to recognize the unique and successful partnership between podiatry and vascular surgery, which includes collaborative residency programs. Efforts for a cooperative program date back to 2007, when Dr. George Meier asked Dr. Cary Copeland to create a specialty department of podiatric medicine and surgery, which in 2010 led to the genesis of a podiatric residency program. Together with vascular surgery, the programs offer cutting edge treatments to provide optimal patient care. The 2019 inaugural lecture highlighted team-based diabetic wound care, which in turn results in fewer below-knee amputations and overall improved outcomes.

Dr. George Meier III attended Rice University, in Houston, Texas with a Bachelor's Degree in Biochemistry. He matriculated from medical school at Emory University School of Medicine in Atlanta, Georgia, and completed his General Surgery residency and Vascular Surgery fellowship from Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts. Dr. Meier has been the Chief of Vascular Surgery at the University of Cincinnati since 2007. The ACGME accredited Integrated Vascular Surgery Residency Training Program was started under his directorship on July 1, 2009.

Dr. Cary Copeland completed his undergraduate education at Ohio State University. He received his degree in podiatric medicine from Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine in Ohio. He attended the Kern Hospital Residency Program for clinical and surgical training, which was one of only two surgical training programs in the country that focused exclusively on the foot and ankle. Dr. Copeland entered private practice in 1990 in Cincinnati, Ohio. He began his involvement in educating the next generation of podiatrists in 1993. Since this time, he has trained hundreds of students and residents, with many graduates finding positions in local podiatric practices.

The benefit of UC’s unique program to patients in the Cincinnati area is immeasurable.