

BIOGRAPHY

Paul A. Gardner, MD, is the Peter J. Jannetta Endowed Chair in Neurosurgery and a Professor in the Department of Neurological Surgery at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine and Neurosurgical Director of the Center for Cranial Base Surgery as well as Executive Vice Chairman for Surgical Services for the Department of Neurological Surgery at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC).

Dr. Gardner joined the faculty of the Department of Neurological Surgery at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine in 2008 after completing his residency and fellowship training at the University of Pittsburgh. He completed his undergraduate studies at Florida State University, majoring in biochemistry, and received his Medical Degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine.

Dr. Gardner completed a two-year fellowship in endoscopic endonasal pituitary and endoscopic and open skull base surgery at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. His research has focused on evaluating patient outcomes following these surgeries and more recently on molecular phenotyping of rare tumors. He is recognized internationally as a leader in the field of endoscopic endonasal surgery, a minimally invasive surgical approach to the skull base. His other surgical interests include pituitary tumors, open cranial base surgery, and vascular surgery.

Dr. Gardner is certified by the American Board of Neurological Surgery and is a member of the American Association of Neurological Surgeons, Congress of Neurological Surgeons, and the North American Skull Base Society where he served as a Director-at-Large. Dr. Gardner is co-editor of the textbook *Vascular Challenges in Skull Base Surgery* published by Thieme and co-director of The Pittsburgh Course: Endoscopic Endonasal Surgery of the Skull Base. He has authored more than 350 peer-reviewed articles and book chapters and he presents frequently on the podiums of local, national, and international scientific meetings and courses.