

David W Chang, MD, FACS

Dr. David W Chang is a Professor and the Chief of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and the Director of Microsurgery Fellowship at the University of Chicago Medicine. From 1998 to 2013, he was at the MD Anderson Cancer Center where he served on numerous leadership roles including the Deputy Chairman for the Department of Plastic Surgery, the Director of the Plastic Surgery Clinic, and the Director of the Center for Microsurgery Research and Training.

In 2013, Dr. Chang was recruited to the University of Chicago to start a lymphedema surgery program and to enhance the Oncologic Reconstructive Microsurgery Program. In 2016, Dr. Chang was appointed as the interim Chief of the Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, and in July 2017, he was appointed the Chief of the Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the University of Chicago.

Dr. Chang has dedicated over 20 years in the field of reconstructive surgery for cancer patients, and have developed an international reputation as a leader, a pioneer and an innovator in our field, especially in the areas of breast reconstruction and microsurgical treatment of lymphedema. Dr. Chang has particularly been instrumental in recent surge of interest in microsurgical treatment of lymphedema with procedures such as lymphovenous bypass and vascularized lymph node transfer. He has co-chaired the World Lymphedema Surgery Symposia since 2013, and he has organized Annual Chicago Breast and Lymphedema Surgery Symposia since 2013. He has co-edited a textbook *Lymphedema Surgery*, which was first published in 2015.

He was a recipient of the prestigious *Godina Traveling Scholar Award* from the American Society of Reconstructive Microsurgery in 2005. He has published over 160 peer-reviewed research articles (mostly on topics of oncologic reconstructive microsurgery) and numerous book chapters. He has trained and mentored numerous medical students/residents/fellows in the field of reconstructive microsurgery. He has been invited to lecture at more than 250 national and international symposia and meetings, while serving as a visiting professor at leading institutions all over the world.

He serves on the editorial board of numerous leading medical journals including *Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery*. He has been voted as the "Best Doctors in America" by my peers since 2001 for 19 consecutive years. He is a senior board examiner for American Society of Plastic Surgery and has served on the Board of Directors for American Society of Plastic Surgery from 2014-2017. He is the past President of the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery(2017) and the current President of the World Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery(2019-2021).