Elizabeth Berger, MD, MS, Joins The Breast Center at Smilow Cancer Hospital

Dr. Elizabeth Berger has been appointed an Assistant Professor of Surgery (Oncology), and cares for patients as part of The Breast Center at Smilow Cancer Hospital in New Haven. She recently completed a fellowship in Breast Surgical Oncology at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and was selected as the Breast Cancer Alliance Fellow while at Memorial Sloan Kettering.

Dr. Berger earned her Bachelor of Arts in History of Science and Medicine from Yale University and went on to receive her Medical Degree from Loyola University Chicago Stritch School of Medicine. She completed her general surgery residency at Loyola University Medical Center. During her residency, she was also a Clinical Research Scholar at the American College of Surgeons (ACS) and earned a Master of Science degree in Health Services and Outcomes Research at Northwestern University.

During her research years at the ACS, Dr. Berger’s focus was on breast cancer research and outcomes. Her research focuses on improving health outcomes for women with breast cancer, including perioperative surgical quality, cancer care quality measure development, and assessment of national accreditation in breast cancer surgery. Dr. Berger has published in several high impact journals such as JAMA, Annals of Surgery, and the Journal of the American College of Surgeons, as well as contributed chapters to several surgical textbooks. She has also served on national quality committees, including a member of the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC).

Outside of medicine, she was a division 1 varsity swimmer at Yale and continues to stay active and swim. Dr. Berger is actively involved in the Yale Swimming Alumni Association.