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Education

Board Certified in Plastic Surgery by the American Board of Plastic Surgery	2012
M.D., Alpha Omega Alpha, University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, Texas	2005
B.A., University Scholars*, Summa Cum Laude, Baylor University, Waco, Texas	2001
Texas Real Estate Salesperson License, Austin Institute of Real Estate, Austin, Texas	2001

*B. A. in University Scholars from Baylor

The University Scholars Program is designed for creative, self-motivated students who wish to become better read, to devote themselves to the liberal arts, and to express their creativity by participating in a program that includes a component of self-expression.

Postdoctoral Training

Preceptorship with Dr. Timothy Marten in San Francisco, California Advanced technique training in facelift technique using extended vertical SMAS dissection and autologous fat transfer to the facial soft tissues.	October 2016
Preceptorship with Dr. Charles Randquist in Stockholm, Sweden Advanced technique training with highly cohesive anatomically shaped silicone gel breast implants with the foremost expert on these devices in the world.	May 2015
Preceptorship with Dr. Caroline Glicksman in Sea Girt, New Jersey Advanced technique training with highly cohesive anatomically shaped silicone gel breast implants. She is one of 6 plastic surgeons in the United States and Canada presently on the Allergan Executive Council for Plastic Surgery.	March 2015
Preceptorship with Dr. Steve Sigalove in Chicago, Illinois Advanced technique training with breast reconstruction using acellular dermal matrices and anatomically shaped cohesive gel breast implants with fat transfer.	February 2014
Residency in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Grand Rapids Medical Education Partners / Michigan State University	2008-2010
Residency in General Surgery Grand Rapids Medical Education Partners / Michigan State University	2005-2008

Academic and Leadership Appointments

Clinical Assistant Professor of Surgery & Perioperative Care The University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School	2017-Present
Clinical Educator College of Human Medicine, Michigan State University, Grand Rapids, Michigan	2007-2010

Other Relevant Employment and Clinical Activities

Private Practice, The Piazza Center, Austin, Texas	2010-Present
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Honors and Awards

Best Cosmetic Surgeon, <i>Austin Fit Magazine Best of 2016</i>	2016
Top Doctor Status, <i>RealSelf</i>	2016
Doctor's Choice Award Recipient for Plastic Surgery	2015
Fellow, American College of Surgeons	2014
Doctor's Choice Award Recipient for Plastic Surgery	2014
Selected to the <i>Super Doctors</i> ® 2014 <i>Texas Rising Stars</i> SM	2014
Top 5 Most Likeable Doctor Award 2012, New York, New York	2012
Top 5 Finalist for AU 40 Awards in Healthcare & Medicine, Austin, Texas	2012
Spectrum Health WOW Award, Grand Rapids, Michigan	2010
Alpha Omega Alpha, UTMB, Galveston, Texas	2004
Phi Beta Kappa, Baylor University, Waco, Texas	2001

Professional Memberships and Activities with Leadership Positions

Breast Cancer Resource Centers of Texas Member, Major Gifts Committee	2017
Allergan USA, Inc Member, Plastic Surgery Board	2015
Austin Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons President (3 years)	2014-Present
American Society for Aesthetic Plastic Surgery Member	2014
American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS) Member, National Spokesperson Network (2 years)	2013
Stonegate Surgery Center, an SCA facility, Austin, Texas Member, Peer Review Committee (3 years)	2014-Present
Texas Medical Association Member (7 years)	2010
Travis County Medical Society Member (7 years)	2010
Texas Society of Plastic Surgeons Member (4 years)	2013

Educational Activities

Clinical Teaching and Supervision

Surgical Preceptorship, Educator Dr. Christopher Babycos, Plastic Surgeon Surgical Education on how to perform the Prepectoral Breast Reconstruction Technique St. David's Hospital, Austin, Texas	July 21, 2017
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Clinical Preceptorship Cody Ewing, Medical Student Texas A&M University School of Medicine, College Station, Texas	2018
Clinical Preceptorship Joseph Hagen, Physician Assistant- Student Touro University, Henderson, Nevada	2016
Clinical Preceptorship Jessica Stevens, Physician Assistant- Student Bethel University, College of Health and Human Services, Minneapolis, Minnesota	2014

Publications

Peer-reviewed publications

Neaman KC, Baca ME, **Piazza RC**, VanderWoude DL, Renucci JD. Outcomes of the Use of Fractional CO2 Laser in Aesthetic Surgery: A Retrospective Review. *Aesthetic Surgery Journal*. November/December 2010. 30:845-852.

Gawley B, Motykie GD, **Piazza RC**, Holding JC, Gould LJ. Metastatic Carcinoma of the Lung Masquerading as a Felon. *Orthopedics* 29(11): 1035-1036, November 2006.

Piazza RC, Thomas W, Stawski W, Ford RD. Mucormycosis Infection of the Face in a Severely Burned Patient. *J Burn Care Res* 30(3):520-523, May/June 2009.

Deluca-Pytell D, **Piazza RC**, Holding JC, Snyder N, Hunsicker L, Phillips LG. The Incidence of Tuberos Breast Deformity in Asymmetric and Symmetric Mammoplasty Patients. *Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery*. 116(7):1894-1899, December 2005.

Books & Chapters

Steinbrech, D. S., **Piazza, R.C.** (*In progress*). Male Board Shorts BodyLift with Gluteal Autoaugmentation. In D. S. Steinbrech (Ed.), *Aesthetic Plastic Surgery for the Male*. New York: Thieme Publishers.

Non-print / Online materials

Piazza RC, Vanderkolk W, Armstrong SD, Eriksson EA, Ringler SL. VAC Dressing Placement in the Face of the Open Abdominal Wound and Enterocutaneous Fistula. Presented at the **Grand Rapids Medical Education and Research Center Research Day**, Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 2008. Published online in *PRS* 124(6):453e-5e. December 2009.

Armstrong SD, **Piazza RC**, Shifrin DA, Gawel JC, Rechner BP. Closure of a Large Abdominal Wall Defect Using Human Acellular Dermal Matrix Following Excision of a Large Abdominal Wall Tumor. Poster presentation at the **Grand Rapids Medical Education and Research Center Research Day**, Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 2007. **Best Overall Poster, General Surgery**. Published online in *PRS* 124(5): 267e, November 2009.

Invited Presentations, Posters & Abstracts

National

Piazza RC, Kalnoki-Kis E, Hammond DC. Effect of the Harmonic Scalpel of Prevention of Recurrent Capsular Contracture. Submitted for oral presentation at **Grand Rapids Medical Education and Research Center Research Day**, Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 2010.

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Piazza RC, Thomas W, Stawski W, Ford RD. Mucormycosis Infection of the Face in a Severely Burned Patient. Poster presentation at the **Grand Rapids Medical Education and Research Center Research Day**, Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 2007. Oral presentation at **The John A. Boswick, M.D. Burn and Wound Care Symposium**, Maui, Hawaii, February 2008.

Piazza RC, Hammond DC. Management of Occult Breast Cancer after Breast Reduction. Oral presentation at **The Michigan Academy of Plastic Surgery Meeting**, Mackinac Island, Michigan, July 2008.

Piazza RC, Farber ST, VanderWoude DL. Complications in Abdominoplasty Patients Who Have a History of Previous Abdominal Surgery: A Retrospective Review. Poster presentation at the **Grand Rapids Medical Education and Research Center Research Day**, Grand Rapids, Michigan, April 2006. Oral presentation at **The Michigan Academy of Plastic Surgery Meeting**, Mackinac Island, Michigan, July 2006.

Piazza RC, Gould LJ. The Role of Reactive Oxygen Species in Regulating Collagen Synthesis in Young and Old Fibroblasts. Poster Presentation at the **National Student Research Forum**, Galveston, Texas, April 2004. Poster Presentation at the **AAS 15th Annual Fundamentals of Surgical Research Course**, Houston, Texas, November 2004.

Piazza RC, Mata C, Gould LJ. The Dose Effect of LED Therapy on Angiogenesis. Poster Presentation at the **National Student Research Forum**, Galveston, Texas, April 2004.

Piazza RC, Gould LJ. Role of Reactive Oxygen Species in Regulating Collagen Synthesis in Ultraviolet Exposed Dermatocytes. Submitted for Alpha Omega Alpha Student Research Fellowship 2004. Mentor: Lisa J. Gould, M.D., Ph.D.

Visiting Professorships

Alabama Plastic Surgery Society Grand Rounds
University of Alabama, Birmingham

March 4, 2017

Better Outcomes for Patients Using Prepectoral Technique
Florida Plastic Surgery Society Meeting
Orlando, Florida

December 5, 2016

National Speaking Engagements

Value of Preoperative Assessment and Implant Selection
BioSkills Lab- Prepectoral Breast Reconstruction Technique
Austin, TX

November 10-11, 2017

Optimizing Prepectoral Breast Reconstruction Outcomes: Patient Planning and Technique
Breast Surgery & Body Contouring Symposium
San Diego, CA

August 10, 2017

Better Outcomes for Patients Using Prepectoral Technique
Baton Rouge, LA

June 28, 2017

Panel Discussion and Lab Educator
BioSkills Lab- Prepectoral Breast Reconstruction Technique
Plano, TX

May 19-20, 2017

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Better Outcomes for Patients Using Prepectoral Technique Houston, TX	May 11, 2017
Prepectoral Reconstruction: Technique, Tips and Pearls BioSkills Lab- Prepectoral Breast Reconstruction Technique San Diego, CA	March 17-18, 2017
Better Outcomes for Patients Using Prepectoral Technique Tuscon, AZ	March 16, 2017
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Aesthetic Breast Reconstruction: Advancing Techniques to Improve Outcomes Allergan / LifeCell National Sales Meeting Dallas, TX	January 31, 2017
Prepectoral Breast Reconstruction Technique Guide: A Solo Practitioner's Approach San Antonio, TX	August 23, 2016

Community Service

Breast Cancer Resource Centers of Texas, Austin, Texas

Fundraiser Chair, <i>Cocktails and Curiosity</i>	2014-2017
Sponsor, Art Bra Austin	2014-2017
Participant, <i>Locally Pink</i>	2013

AGLIFF, Austin, TX

Bronze Corporate Sponsorship	2017
Director Sponsorship	2016

Austin Smiles

Volunteer, Guatemala Mission Trip	2017
Volunteer, El Salvador Mission Trip	2010
Fundraising Chair, Dinner Event with Rocco's Grill Restaurant	2005

Human Rights Campaign

Major Donor	2014-2018
Federal Club Member	2012, 2013

Rexanna's Foundation for Fighting Lung Cancer, MD Anderson, Houston, TX

Honorary Board Member	2007-Present
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