

PRESIDENT'S LEADERSHIP AWARD

Richard R. Barakat, MD, MBA

PHYSICIAN-IN-CHIEF AND DIRECTOR; CANCER SERVICES AND RESEARCH, NORTHWELL HEALTH CANCER INSTITUTE; EDWARD AND CAROLE MILLER DISTINGUISHED CHAIR IN CANCER; SVP, CANCER SERVICES, NORTHWELL HEALTH

Richard Barakat is an internationally recognized surgeon and clinical investigator who was chief of the Gynecology Service at Memorial Sloan Kettering from 2001 to 2013 and held the Ronald O. Perelman Chair in Gynecologic Surgery. Dr. Barakat was the lead investigator on several influential clinical trials at MSK, including a study to compare the benefits of laparoscopic versus standard surgery for patients with endometrial cancer, and was the lead investigator on an NIH-funded national study evaluating symptomatic lower-extremity lymphedema in women undergoing lymphadenectomy for cervical, uterine, and vulvar cancer. Dr. Barakat is author or co-author of more than 340 peer-reviewed articles and numerous textbook chapters and was the lead editor of *Principles and Practice of Gynecologic Oncology*, one of the leading texts in the field.

In addition, he served as a member and examiner for the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology and for five years served as a director of the Division of Gynecologic Oncology. He was president of the Society of Gynecologic Oncology from 2013 to 2014 and president of the International Gynecologic Cancer Society from 2014 to 2016. From 2013 to 2017, he served as director of the MSK regional care network and Cancer Alliance.



In 2018, Dr. Barakat joined Northwell Health to lead all cancer services and research and serve as professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Donald and Barbara Zucker School of Medicine at Hofstra/Northwell.