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## Gregory Schears, MD



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Dr. Gregory J. Schears, M.D. is a Professor of Anesthesiology at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. He is a pediatric intensivist and anesthesiologist by training and cares for both adult and pediatric patients in his practice. He has a long standing interest in reducing patient complications and improving our approach to vascular access and patient safety.

Dr. Schears completed his pediatric residency at St. Louis Children's Hospital, his anesthesia residency, pediatric anesthesia fellowship and pediatric critical care fellowship at John's Hopkins hospital, and worked at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia/Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania for five years until he was recruited to the Mayo Clinic in 2001 to head the ECMO service. There he serves as consultant in Department of Anesthesiology at Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN and is the physician liaison to the nurse led PICC team, former Medical Director of the ECMO Service for 16 years and Co-Director of the Congenital Heart Unit.

He has served on the editorial board for *JAVA* and on the AVA Board of Directors as Treasurer. He is also joining the AVA Patient Safety Foundation board this year. He is very active with product development to help reduce complications and has given hundreds of presentations locally, regionally, nationally and internationally.

