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## **LOCAL PHYSICIAN APPOINTED TO ACADEMIC BODIES FOR INTERNATIONAL ORTHOPAEDIC ORGANIZATION**

Local orthopaedic surgeon Dr. Gordon I. Groh has been appointed by the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS) to assist in developing comprehensive continuing medical education for its members. The AAOS is the preeminent provider of musculoskeletal instruction to orthopaedic surgeons and others in the world.

As a member of the Shoulder and Elbow Instructional Course Lectures Subcommittee, Dr. Groh will participate in creating a comprehensive education program for the more than 15,000 orthopaedists from around the globe expected to attend the organization's 2011 annual meeting, Feb. 15-19, in San Diego, Calif.

As a member of a second planning group, Dr. Groh will grade abstracts of scientific research submitted by orthopaedic surgeons and develop a curriculum for the annual Open Meeting/Specialty Day for shoulder and elbow surgery.

Dr. Groh is a board-certified specialist in shoulder, elbow, and hand surgery, and has practiced at Blue Ridge Bone & Joint for 15 years. Previously a full-time faculty member and director of shoulder and elbow surgery at the University Of Colorado School Of Medicine in Denver, Dr. Groh continues to actively pursue research and teaching opportunities, and has presented in every major city in the U.S., as well as in Mexico, Canada and Japan.

He is one of only four orthopaedic surgeons in the nation to hold memberships in the American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons (ASES) society as well as the American Society for Surgery of the Hand. The ASES, open by invitation only, is an educational body of select leading national and international orthopaedic surgeons who specialize in surgery of the shoulder and elbow. It is responsible for the development of scientific programs and the publication of scientific materials. The American Society for Surgery of the Hand (ASSH) is the oldest medical specialty society in the United States devoted entirely to continuing medical education related to hand surgery.

Blue Ridge Bone & Joint has offices in Asheville and Hendersonville. For more information about Dr. Groh, call Blue Ridge Bone & Joint at (828) 258-8800, or visit [www.DrGordonGroh.com](http://www.DrGordonGroh.com).

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