

# DR. NADER HEBELA

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## Nader Hebela, MD

Staff Physician, Neurosurgery, Neurological Institute



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EXPERIENCE

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## BIOGRAPHY

Nader Hebela, MD, is a Staff Physician in the Neurological Institute at Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi. He specializes in spinal surgery with a focus on adult degenerative disease and spinal tumor surgery.

Prior to joining Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi, Dr. Hebela worked as an Associate Partner at Brielle Orthopedics in Brick, New Jersey, US, and New Jersey Spine & Orthopedic in Millburn, New Jersey, US. Previously, he served as staff spine surgeon for the Philadelphia Veterans Affairs Medical Center, where he oversaw the spine surgery program for southeastern Pennsylvania and Delaware, encompassing four local Veterans Affairs hospitals.

Dr. Hebela's research has focused on creating a small animal model of both disc degeneration and disc regeneration. He was awarded both a Merit Review funding as well as a substantial grant from the Department of Defense of the United States for his basic science and translational research. He collaborated on developing a sciatic nerve injury model with faculty from the University of Pennsylvania School of Engineering. His peer-reviewed publications support his broader interests in clinical, basic science, and translational medicine and spinal surgery.

Dr. Hebela works with various charities and medical relief organizations, performing both spinal reconstructive as well as orthopedic trauma surgery. He has volunteered in South Africa, Cambodia, Afghanistan and Gaza.

Dr. Hebela received his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, US, where he also completed his residency in Orthopedic Surgery. He completed his fellowship in Spine Reconstructive Surgery at the St. Joseph Medical Center Scoliosis & Spine Center in Towson, Maryland, US.

Dr. Hebela lives in Abu Dhabi. He enjoys swimming and occasionally designing and creating jewelry from precious and semiprecious metals and stones.

## PROFESSIONAL JOURNEY

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Spinal Reconstructive Surgery

Spine Care

## Achievements & Career Highlights

- Participant, Four Schools Physician-Scientist Program, a combined research and residency program awarded by the University of Pennsylvania, John Hopkins, Duke and Washington University Schools of Medicine
- Recipient, William G. Munns Memorial Prize, presented annually by the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine to the outstanding graduating senior resident in orthopedic surgery
- Recipient, Progressive Osseous Heteroplasia Association (POHA) Children's Research Award, for exemplary efforts to advance the cause for finding a cure for POH & extraordinary accomplishments in POH research
- Recipient, Distinguished Service Award, Division of Molecular Orthopedics, Department of Orthopedic Surgery, the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
- Recipient, DeForest Willard Award for Outstanding Performance as a Senior Resident, Department of Orthopedic Surgery at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, US

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## MEDICAL SCHOOL

1995

1995 - 2000

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, US

**Doctor of Medicine (MD)**

## RESIDENCY

2000

2000 - 2006

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA HEALTH SYSTEM, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, US

**Resident, Orthopedic Surgery**

## FELLOWSHIP

2006

2006 - 2007

ST. JOSEPH MEDICAL CENTER, SCOLIOSIS SPINE CENTER, TOWSON, MARYLAND, US

**Fellow, Spine Reconstructive Surgery**

## WORK EXPERIENCE

2014

2014 - 2014

NEW JERSEY SPINE ORTHOPEDIC, MILLBURN, NEW JERSEY, US

**Associate Partner**

2011

2011 - 2014

BRIELLE ORTHOPEDICS, BRICK, NEW JERSEY, US

**Associate Partner**

2007

2007 - 2011

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA HEALTH SYSTEM, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, US

**Assistant Professor, Orthopedic Surgery**

2007

2007 - 2011

PHILADELPHIA VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, US

**Staff Surgeon**

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