

Dr. Robert Santrock joins foot and ankle team at Midlands Orthopaedics

Addition of fellowship-trained specialist brings depth, synergy to advanced care options in place at medical practice

(Columbia, S.C.) – Jan. 20, 2006 – Foot and ankle specialist Dr. Robert D. Santrock has joined the medical staff at Midlands Orthopaedics, P.A.

Dr. Santrock comes to Columbia from Meadville, Pa., where he had been the clinical director at Orthopedic Associates of Meadville. His practice focuses on foot and heel pain, bunion repair, toe reconstruction and complications from diabetes.

He joins Dr. William C. James III in forming the new foot-and-ankle team at Midlands Orthopaedics.

“There’s a very positive consultative synergy here that will truly benefit our patients. Working together, we can share our experience and availability to bring a new level of leading-edge comprehensive orthopedic foot care to the Midlands,” Dr. Santrock said.

Dr. Santrock has degrees from West Virginia University and WVU School of Medicine and served a fellowship at the Orthopedic Foot and Ankle Center and Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. A native of Charleston, W. Va., Dr. Santrock is married to Karen M. Santrock, a speech language pathologist. They have two young daughters, Sarah Ashleigh and Rachel Brooke.

“With Bob joining our practice we now have 14 physicians on staff, and having two fellowship-trained foot-and-ankle specialists working as a team under one roof adds a particularly robust dimension of care as we prepare to open our new surgery center,” said Midlands Orthopedics CEO Bill Frew.

The \$6 million center will open later this year next to the practice’s main office on Blanding Street. The one-story facility will feature three completely digital operating rooms, two procedure rooms, six pre-operative bays and 12 post-operative recovery beds, as well as waiting and administrative areas.

The 25-year-old group practice has 150 employees at its locations near downtown Columbia, on Sunset Boulevard in West Columbia and on Lake Murray Boulevard in Irmo.