

AUB Surgical Alumni Association of North America (AUB SAANA) Annual Reception

ACS Clinical Congress, San Diego, CA

Tuesday October 24th, 2017
(Venue and time TBD)

- Opening comments by Haytham Kaafarani, MD, MPH, AUB SAANA President
- Department of Surgery updates by Jamal Hoballah, MD, MBA, Chairman of the Department of Surgery, AUB
- AUB SAANA Annual Awards Celebration, networking and cocktail party

Kamal Itani, MD - Outstanding Achievement Award

Chief of surgery, Veterans Affairs Boston Health Care System, MA
Professor of surgery, Boston University
Chair, ACS Surgical Research Committee

The award is given to Dr. Itani who exemplifies the ultimate surgeon-scientist with over 200 peer-reviewed publications, manuscripts, textbooks and textbook chapters. A pioneer in surgical outcomes and health services research, a prior President of the Association of VA Surgeons, and the current President of the Surgical Infection Society, his numerous publications in the New England Journal of Medicine, JAMA and all key surgical journals have shaped our understanding of ventral hernia surgery, surgical infections, and surgical performance indicators.

Marwan Abouljoud, MD - Outstanding Service Award

Director of the Transplant Institute at Henry Ford Hospital and Health Network

The award is given to Dr. Abouljoud for his unparalleled commitment over the many past years to help numerous AUB graduates find their way to surgical training in the US, and for his steady commitment to help the AUB Department of Surgery and AUBSAANA grow and mature. His selfless dedication to “extend a hand” to those starting their careers in surgery is exemplary for all of us who hope to strengthen our community and support our future surgeons.

Hiba Ezzeddine, MD - Surgical trainee Award

Surgery Resident, American University of Beirut
Currently applying for US-based fellowships
Field of interest: Trauma and Acute Care Surgery