

Short Biography - Melina R. Kibbe, MD, FACS, FAHA

Melina R. Kibbe, MD, is Professor of Surgery with tenure, and the Colin G. Thomas, Jr. Distinguished Professor and Chair of the Department of Surgery at the University of North Carolina (UNC). She also is an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Biomedical Engineering. Prior to UNC, Dr. Kibbe was faculty at Northwestern University for 13 years where she also served as the Vice Chair of Research in the Department of Surgery and as Deputy Director of the Simpson Querrey Institute for BioNanotechnology. Clinically, Dr. Kibbe has significant experience with both open and endovascular surgery. Dr. Kibbe's research interests focus on developing novel therapies for patients with vascular disease while simultaneously studying the mechanism of how these therapies impact the vascular wall. Dr. Kibbe has been funded for her research by the NIH, VA, DOD, and AHA, among others, and received an award in recognition of her research from President Obama in 2009. Her bibliography includes over 270 peer-reviewed manuscripts, review articles, and book chapters and she has received 21 awards for her teaching efforts as a faculty member. Dr. Kibbe has assumed national positions of leadership. She is the Editor-in-Chief for JAMA Surgery. She is past-president for the Association for Academic Surgery, the Midwestern Vascular Surgical Society, and the Association of VA Surgeons. She is also an active member in the American College of Surgeons, the American Surgical Association, the Society for Vascular Surgery, and the American Heart Association, among others. Most recently, she was inducted into the National Academy of Medicine.