

## OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNA

### Danielle A. Katz, MD

Class of 1997

Dr. Danielle Katz is an Assistant Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at SUNY Upstate Medical University. After graduating from medical school in 1997, Dr. Katz remained at Upstate to complete a residency in Orthopedic Surgery in 2002. She completed fellowship training in Pediatric Orthopaedics at Children's Hospital in Boston in 2003, and then returned to Upstate to join the Department of Orthopedic Surgery.

Dr. Katz's clinical practice includes almost all areas of pediatric orthopedics, and she has a particular interest in spine and hip deformity. She has authored several journal articles and book chapters, and has received two pilot grants for her research investigating possible treatments for osteopenia in children with cerebral palsy.

Within the department, Dr. Katz is a member of the Education Committee for the residency program. She is also the clerkship director for Orthopedic Surgery for the medical students and serves on the Clinical Years Curriculum Coordinating Committee. Additionally, she participates in site visits for the Rural Medicine (RMED) program. Currently she is developing lectures on pediatric orthopedic topics for the residents training in Pediatrics.

In the community, Dr. Katz has been an invited lecturer for the residents in Family Practice at St. Joseph's Hospital, the St. Joseph's Family Practice Refresher Course, the New York State Association of School Nurses, the Nurse Practitioner Association – New York State – Syracuse Chapter, the Association of Operating Room Nurses, and the Upstate New York Musculoskeletal Basic Science Course. She also has worked with the Junior Girl Scouts in the attainment of their First Aid badges.

On the national level, Dr. Katz is a Fellow and active member of the American College of Surgeons (ACS). She is past-Chair of the ACS Resident and Associate Society, and is current Vice-Chair of the ACS Women in Surgery Committee. She is a member of the Committee on Young Surgeons, the Fundamentals of Surgery Resident Curriculum Steering Committee, and the Public Profile and Communication Steering Committee. Within the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS), Dr. Katz has served as faculty for a course on preparation for the oral portion of the board examination.

Dr. Katz lives in Syracuse with her husband, Dr. Stuart Forster (SUNY Upstate Class of 1980), and their daughter, Alexis, who was born in January 2007.

