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Philosophy of Care

I find myself in the best of both worlds. I left private practice in order to join academic medicine. This has afforded me the opportunity to become a research fellow sponsored by the American Lung Association and the NIH, the director of the Medical/Surgical Intensive Care Unit, and director of the Invasive Procedures in the Pulmonary Services Laboratory at UC Davis Medical Center. I have the opportunity to treat complex diseases in critically ill patients using state-of-the-art technology and investigative measures that are available only in the academic setting. This year, as a transplant physician, I participated in our rapidly growing Lung Transplant Program. I am especially excited that now I can make this kind of practice available to the community.

Clinical Interests

Roblee Allen is an expert in advanced-stage lung disease and lung transplantation. His clinical interests include functionality of lung volume reduction surgery, effects of anti-rejection drugs following lung transplantation, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, acute respiratory distress syndrome, and cystic fibrosis. His pulmonary expertise and skill in mountain climbing led to his selection as team physician for the 1993 K2 West Ridge and 1995 Makalu Himalayan Southeast Ridge expeditions. Dr. Allen's extensive research studies include effects of high-carbohydrate diet on acute mountain sickness and circulating cytokines, effects of therapeutic drugs on community-acquired pneumonia, cellular responses of bronchial and esophageal carcinomas to photodynamic therapy, treatments for gram-negative septic shock, and pharmacokinetics and iatrogenic drug toxicities in intensive-care units.

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