



## Michelle A. James, M.D.

<b>Clinical Interests</b>	<p>Dr. James is a pediatric hand and upper-extremity surgeon with special interests in congenital malformations, reconstruction of the upper extremity after spinal cord injury (tetraplegia), and reconstruction of the burned hand. She is conducting research on the functional outcomes of the treatment of brachial-plexus birth palsy, upper-extremity cerebral palsy and tetraplegia, in addition to researching the use of motion analysis in the upper extremity.</p> <p>Philosophy of Care</p> <p>I treat children with hand malformations, hand deformities from injuries, and problems with hand and arm function associated with neuromuscular conditions such as brachial plexus palsy, spinal cord injury and cerebral palsy. I focus on the child's function and performance, especially from their own perspective. My greatest professional joy is hearing from a child or their parent that my intervention has improved their ability to accomplish a task that is important to them.</p>
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**Board Certifications** American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1991  
American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery, Hand Surgery, 1993

**Professional Memberships** American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons  
American Academy of Pediatrics  
American Orthopaedic Association  
American Society for Surgery of the Hand  
Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America  
Ruth Jackson Orthopaedic Society

**Honors and Awards** AMA Women Physicians Congress Physician Mentor Recognition Program, 2011  
Golden Apple Award, Health Volunteers Overseas, 2011  
Outstanding Clinical Faculty Member, UC Davis Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, 2006  
Leadership Fellows Program, American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS), 2003  
Outstanding Clinical Faculty Member, UC Davis Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1998

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