**Interventional Radiology Elective**

The Vascular Access Interventional Training Program at Albany Medical College is a program that is jointly operated between the Division of Nephrology in the Department of Medicine and the Division of Interventional Radiology in the Department of Radiology. This program has been established by Drs. Gary Siskin and Loay Salman.

Dr. Gary Siskin is the Chairman of Radiology and Service Chief of Interventional Radiology and has extensive experience in interventional procedures including dialysis access interventional procedures. Dr. Loay Salman is an Interventional Nephrologist and was the Chief of Interventional Nephrology at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine for five years before joining Albany Medical College as the Division Chief of Nephrology and Hypertension.

This program will be available for nephrology fellows to rotate through and acquire the necessary knowledge and skills in the following areas:

- Hemodialysis access physical examination
- Hemodialysis access surveillance
- Arteriovenous fistulas and grafts angiograms and angioplasties
- Arteriovenous fistulas and grafts thrombectomy procedures
- Arteriovenous fistulas and grafts stent placement
- Arteriovenous fistulas coil placement
- Tunneled hemodialysis catheter insertion, exchange, and removal
- Kidney biopsies
- Vessel mapping