# Surgeon Testimonials

## **HARMONIC ACE®+7 Shears**

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"The addition of the 7mm vessel sealing capability to the HARMONIC ACE®+ 7 makes it an optimal tool for laparoscopic colon surgery. It provides the same precise dissection that I've become accustomed to from the HARMONIC ACE® and now superior sealing capability. For many years, surgeons have had to choose between precision and sealing strength. With the HARMONIC ACE®+7, we will no longer need to trade off precision and multi-functionality for sealing strength. Furthermore, the avoidance of using multiple instruments should result in a cost savings for the overall procedure."



#### Dr. Bartley Pickron

Colon and Rectal Surgeon, Colorectal Surgical Associates, Houston, TX; Assistant Program Director of the Minimally Invasive Colon and Rectal Surgery Fellowship at University of Texas Medical School

"Technology has been integral to improved safety for surgery in obese patients. The transition from making a big incision to 5-12mm incisions allows us to do complex surgery, truly amazing surgery, without the adverse consequences of open exploration. It is the commitment to develop these advanced instruments that allow us to push that envelope and offer patients more. The Harmonic Ace+7 will be one of those classic instruments that allow us to advance our field by taking larger vessels with better feedback from the tissue and less generation of heat. For surgeons everywhere in the world, the era of laparoscopic access has come, heralded by advanced instrumentation and allowing us to improve outcomes for all our patients."



#### **Dr. Robin Blackstone**

Medical Director and Bariatric Surgeon Scottsdale Healthcare Bariatric Center, Scottsdale, AZ

"We don't have to sacrifice the precision of ultrasonic energy because now we can use the HARMONIC ACE®+7 on larger vessels where in the past we'd have to switch to a different type of instrumentation for vessel sealing. One instrument covers everything for the entire procedure. Now with the advanced hemostasis button, we can just go across the vessel, push the button once and you're done. I think that's a big time saver."



### Dr. Jay Redan

Colorectal Surgeon, Director of Minimally Invasive Surgery, Florida Hospital Celebration Health, Celebration, FL

"The part I like most about using HARMONIC ACE®+7 is that you can have one energy device. You're able to use it as a grasper, a dissector, a coagulator, a cutter, and also with the benefits of added hemostasis. I think that it definitely could speed you up. I always teach doctors that you need to be slow to be fast; if you can be hemostatic and have great control with your vessels from the get-go, it really does save you time and frustration and provides better outcomes for the patient."



#### Dr. Lori Warren

Assistant Clinical Professor University of Louisville, Co-Director of Minimally Invasive GYN Fellowship Baptist Hospital East, Louisville, KY

"I think that HARMONIC ACE®+7 will speed the operation from an efficiency standpoint. Instrument exchanges take extra time and the ability to not have to purchase a stapler, because you can manage the vessels, or at least the purchase of a vascular cartridge won't be necessary. So it will save some money and time in the operating theater."



#### Dr. Ray Ramirez

Director of Colorectal Program Chesapeake Regional Medical Center, Chesapeake, VA

