Requirements for Participation
To ensure this educational program meets your needs, we recommend that participants meet the following criteria:

• General surgeons who are looking to improve their laparoscopic and open ventral hernia repair techniques.

Overview
This course is designed to provide surgeons committed to learning and adopting the latest techniques in open and laparoscopic repair of ventral/incisional hernias with the knowledge and procedure-specific skills needed to begin performing LVHR.

The 1-day curriculum incorporates a didactic morning session and an afternoon porcine lab and focuses specifically on the open and laparoscopic repair of ventral/incisional hernias.

Objectives
At the conclusion of the course, participants will be able to:

• Identify indications and contraindications for Open & LVHR
• Identify patient selection criteria for Open & LVHR and outcomes
• Understand Open & LVHR procedural techniques to include components separation
• Gain proficiency in procedure-specific technical aspects of Open & LVHR
• Discuss Prosthetic Materials
• Discuss Adhesions/Peritoneal Healing

Faculty
William Cobb, M.D., FACS
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Director of UCSD Hernia Center, Primary focus on Minimally invasive surgery, natural orifice surgery, robotics, bariatrics, hernia and esophageal surgery

Registration
Contact your local Ethicon Sales Representative for registration information. To find your local representative, call toll-free 1.800.USE.ENDO. This course is offered at no cost to participants by Ethicon Professional Education, and includes course materials, transportation, hotel and meals.

Location
University of California San Diego
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