January 2  Journal Club  
Moderator: Dr. Brian Kaplan  
Article: “Patients’ Expectations about Effects of Chemotherapy for Advanced Cancer”  
Objective: Select appropriate journal articles for review and discussion by surgery faculty and residents that will help them to improve patient safety and/or outcomes.

January 9 “Surgical Quality Improvement & Safety Process”  
Rajesh Ramanathan, MD, PGY-3, Department of Surgery, VCU Medical Center  
Therese Duane, MD, Professor, Department of Surgery, Trauma Surgery, VCU Medical Center  
Paula Ferrada, MD, Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, Trauma Surgery, VCU Medical Center  
At the conclusion of this activity, participants should be able to:  
1) Understand the basis of Root Cause Analysis related to specific surgical topics attached to cases from the Patient Care Indicator.  
2) Understand the protocols involved in all aspects of the case, through literature search and strategies for implementing new technology into current practices for optimal patient care outcomes.  
3) Apply emerging or best practice techniques of management to all cases for optimal patient care using up-to-date medical knowledge.

January 16 “A Career in Surgical Outcomes Research”  
Waddah Al-Refaie, MD, Chief of Surgical Oncology, Georgetown University Hospital  
At the conclusion of this activity, participants should be able to:  
1) Define surgical outcomes research as a research line from the perspective of a leader and faculty.  
2) Provide examples of surgical outcomes research lines.

January 23 “Hemostatic Resuscitation”  
Rahul Anand, MD, Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, Trauma Critical Care, VCU Medical Center  
At the conclusion of this activity, participants should be able to:  
1) Acquire knowledge, competence and skills related to surgery for hemostatic resuscitation.  
2) Apply emerging or best practice techniques in the diagnosis and management of hemostatic resuscitation.  
3) Enhance knowledge and current treatment guidelines and learn new surgical techniques.

January 30 “TBA”  
Janet Tuttle-Newhall, MD, FACS, Saint Louis University, Department of Surgery, Division of Abdominal Transplant  
At the conclusion of this activity, participants should be able to:  
1) Possess increased knowledge of current surgical treatment guidelines.  
2) Identify current guidelines and practices in order to provide optimal patient care.  
3) Hone diagnostic skills and update therapeutic knowledge so that patient management and outcomes are improved.