

Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

Balgrist University Hospital Zurich, Switzerland

## 9<sup>th</sup> Reinhold Ganz Lecture

« Spine Deformity in Growing Child:  
What do we know in 2019? »

Prof. Behrooz A. Akbarnia



## The Reinhold Ganz Lecture



Reinhold Ganz has opened a new era of understanding and treatment of hip disease. As a Chair of the Department of Orthopaedics of the University of Berne he has fostered academic orthopaedic excellence and educated a generation of orthopaedic surgeons. As a Consultant at the Department of Orthopaedics of the University of Zurich from 2004 to 2007 he served as a role model for analyzing and treating orthopaedic problems and substantially contributed to the Department's development.

In recognition of his past and present contributions, «The Reinhold Ganz Lecture» was created in 2010. We are proud to invite to the 9<sup>th</sup> Reinhold Ganz Lecture.

### **Prof. Behrooz A. Akbarnia**

Behrooz Akbarnia graduated from Tehran University Medical School in 1966 and continued his Orthopaedic Surgery training in the United States. Following his residency at Albany Medical Center, he completed a Scoliosis and Spine Fellowship under Dr. John Moe and colleagues at the Twin Cities Scoliosis Center and University of Minnesota. Dr. Akbarnia was Professor and Vice Chairman of Orthopaedic Surgery at St. Louis University for 10 years before relocating to San Diego in 1990. There, he established his academic practice, created the San Diego Spine Fellowship Program, and founded both the San Diego Spine Foundation and the Growing Spine Foundation to support academic activities. Dr. Akbarnia's most recent interest has been focused primarily on Early Onset Scoliosis (EOS) and growing spine. Through the Growing Spine Study Group (GSSG), establishing the International Congress on Early Onset Scoliosis (ICEOS) providing an annual scientific forum since 2007, and publishing 2 editions of The Growing Spine textbook, he has significantly affected the lives of young children with spinal deformity around the world. He also helped many children around the world with his innovation developing new means for treating patients with EOS. His research comprises over 200 publications in peer-reviewed journals, many book chapters, and presentations nationally and internationally. He is currently a Clinical Professor of Orthopedic Surgery at University of California; San Diego. Dr. Akbarnia resides in La Jolla, California, with his wife. He is both proud father of three and grandfather of five children.

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17:00	Welcome to the 9 <sup>th</sup> Reinhold Ganz Lecture	Prof. M. Farshad
17:05	Why Prof. Behrooz A. Akbarnia?	Prof. M. Farshad
17:15	Spine Deformity in Growing Child: What do we know in 2019?	Prof. B. Akbarnia
18:15	Discussion	
18:30	Refreshments at the foyer	

### **Information / Registration**

The lecture is free of charge, your registration is appreciated.

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### **Location**

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### **Credits**

Swiss orthopaedics grants 1 point for the lecture.