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Podiatry Department

Markus Giacomuzzi, DPM, FACFAS

Dr. Markus Giacomuzzi received his Doctorate of Podiatric Medicine (DPM) from the William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine (Chicago, Illinois). He completed a podiatric surgical residency at Westside VA Medical Center in Chicago. Dr. Giacomuzzi is board-certified by the American Board of Podiatric Surgery and is a fellow of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons.

He holds memberships with the American Podiatric Medical Association, the Texas Podiatric Medical Association and the Harris County Podiatric Medical Association. He is also a clinical instructor with the West Houston Medical Center Podiatric Surgical Residency, a three-year surgical residency program. Dr. Giacomuzzi began his Podiatric career in 1988, moving from Chicago and joining MacGregor Medical Association where he practiced for 14 years and then joined Texas Gulf Coast Medical Systems in June 2002.



Markus Giacomuzzi and Patrick Briggs

Patrick Briggs, DPM, FACFAS

Dr. Patrick Briggs earned his Doctorate of Podiatric Medicine from the California College of Podiatric Medicine in San Francisco, California in 1998. He went on to complete a primary podiatric medicine and surgical residency at VA West Los Angeles (affiliated with UCLA). His surgical residency was performed in Houston, Texas and completed in 2001. He is board-certified by The American Board of Podiatric Surgery in foot and reconstructive rear foot and ankle and is a fellow of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons.

Dr. Briggs has a passion for practicing cost effective, evidence based, and compassionate medicine. He believes many conditions can be treated conservatively. He realizes surgical care is often warranted, but should be thoroughly discussed with the patient.

Dr. Briggs specializes in all aspects of foot and ankle surgery including total ankle replacement and reconstruction, flatfoot, pediatrics, trauma, sports medicine and diabetic complications. He is active with many FDA approved research clinical studies out of the Clear Lake Area and is a clinical instructor with the Harris County Podiatric Surgical Residency Program of West Houston Medical Center.

Dr. Briggs graduated from the University of Colorado with a BA in Kinesiology/Exercise physiology. He is an avid outdoors man and in his spare time enjoys competing in triathlons and playing golf. He also loves traveling and photography.



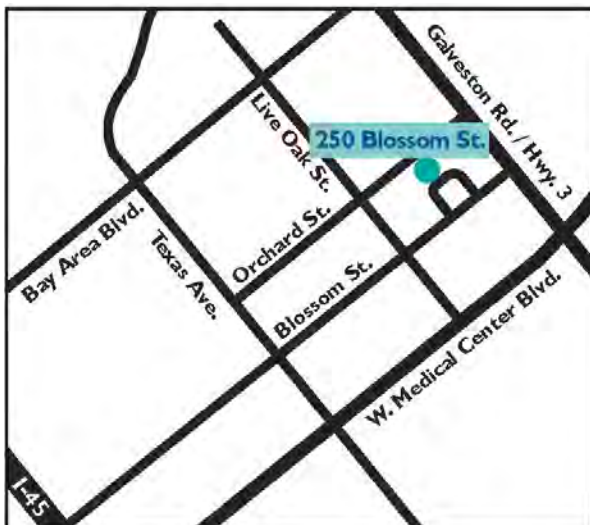
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Insurance Carriers

TGC accepts most insurance, including, but not limited to the following:

- + Aetna
- + BCBS
- + Cigna
- + First Health/Coventry
- + Galaxy Health Plan
- + Great West
- + Trisurant (aka HAS)
- + Health Smart Preferred Care
- + HMO Blue (through Renaissance IPA only)
- + Humana
- + Humana Military Healthcare Services
- + Medicaid
- + Medicare
- + ppoNext
- + Multiplan/PHCS
- + Railroad Medicare
- + Texas Health Spring
(through Renaissance IPA Only)
- + Texas Children's Health Plans
- + Texas True Choice
- + TML
- + Texas Workers' Compensation Commission
- + Unicare
- + United Health Care

Department Services

We offer comprehensive, compassionate, evidence based medicine for the foot and ankle. We are a team of board certified foot and ankle surgeons whose training and experience encompass all aspects of lower extremity care including but not limited to:

- + Bunions
- + Heel Pain/Plantar Fasciitis
- + Ingrown Toenails
- + Neuromas
- + Hammertoes
- + Pediatric Foot Deformities
- + Trauma (Foot and Ankle)
- + Warts
- + Foot and Ankle Reconstruction
- + Sports Medicine
- + Tendon Injuries
- + Ankle Sprains and Fractures
- + Custom Orthotics and Bracing
- + Diabetic Comprehensive Exams
- + Vascular Evaluation
- + Wound Care and Limb Salvage