
SAFA ELIZABETH SHARABI, M.D.

PROFILE

I am a Board Certified Plastic & Reconstructive surgeon, with experience and expertise in breast reconstruction, lower extremity reconstruction, facial reconstruction, transgender chest surgery, treatment and reconstruction of skin cancer, and cosmetic procedures of the breast, face, and body.

EXPERIENCE

OWNER, SHARABI PLASTIC SURGERY; SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA; January, 2026- Present

I own a solo private practice, offering both reconstructive and cosmetic surgery in Santa Monica.

PLASTIC & RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGEON, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP; LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; September, 2020-2025

My practice consisted mainly of breast reconstruction, reconstruction after skin cancer, and correction of traumatic deformities of the hand, face, and body.

PLASTIC & RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGEON, COLORADO PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP; DENVER, COLORADO; September, 2017- June, 2020

My practice consisted mainly of breast reconstruction (implant-based and autologous), breast cosmetic surgery, transgender (“top”) surgery, reconstruction after skin cancer, and lower extremity reconstruction.

CLINICAL SPECIALIST, M.D. ANDERSON CANCER CENTER; HOUSTON, TEXAS; July, 2016-June, 2017

During microvascular surgery fellowship, I held an additional role as a clinical specialist, with a practice of non-microsurgical cases including abdominal wall reconstruction, local tissue transfer, and implant-based breast reconstruction.

TRAINING

FELLOWSHIP IN MICROVASCULAR SURGERY, M.D. ANDERSON CANCER CENTER; HOUSTON, TEXAS — July, 2016- June, 2017

INTEGRATED PLASTIC SURGERY RESIDENCY, BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE; HOUSTON, TEXAS — June, 2010- June, 2016

EDUCATION

CERTIFICATE IN EFFECTIVE WRITING FOR HEALTHCARE,
HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL; BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS; June,
2023- June, 2024

M.D., BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE; HOUSTON, TEXAS; July,
2005- June, 2009

B.S., MATHEMATICS AND APPLIED SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
LOS ANGELES; LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA; August, 2001- June, 2005

AWARDS AND HONORS

HOUSTON SOCIETY OF PLASTIC SURGEONS "CASE OF THE YEAR"; 2016
NIKAIDOH AWARD (SCHOLARSHIP FOR SURGICAL MISSION TRIPS); 2009 & 2012

SURGICAL MISSION TRIPS

SURGICAL VOLUNTEERS INTERNATIONAL — BURN AND HAND SURGERY — HO
CHI MINH CITY, VIETNAM — 2012

SURGICAL VOLUNTEERS INTERNATIONAL — CLEFT SURGERY — PORT AU
PRINCE, HAITI — 2010

PROJECT T.V.D — BURN AND TRAUMA SURGERY — DA NANG, VIETNAM —
2019, 2022, and 2024

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

THE FINAL TOUCH: TECHNIQUE AND ARTISTRY IN PERSONALIZED NIPPLE
RECONSTRUCTION

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PLASTIC SURGEONS MEETING

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA; OCTOBER, 2025

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

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3. Sharabi, S. E., Koshy, J. C., Hollier, L. H. Facial Fractures Module. *Plast Reconstr Surg.* 2011Feb;127(2):25e-34e.

4. Sharabi, S. E., Koshy, J. C., Hatef, D. A., Hollier, L. H. Facial Fat Compartments: A Guide to Filler Placement. *Seminars in Plastic Surgery*, 2009 Nov, 23(4):283-287.

5. Sharabi, S. E., Hatef, D. A., Hollier, L. H., Yaremchuk, M. Mechanotransduction: The Missing Piece in the Facial Aging Puzzle? *Aesthetic Plast Surg.* 2010 Oct;34(5):603-11.

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7. Sharabi, S. E., Hatef, D. A., Izaddoost, S., Hollier, L. H. Opening Eyes to the Frost Suture. *J Oral Maxillofac Surg.* 2010 Jun;68(6):1430-1.

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9. Sharabi, S. E., Hatef, D. A., Jain, A., Cole, P. D., Hollier, L. H. Is Primary Thinning of the Anterolateral Thigh Flap Recommended? *Ann Plast Surg.* 2010 Dec;65(6):555-9.

10. Sharabi, S. E., Koshy, J. C., Hollier, L. H. Multiple, Recurrent, Refractory Vascular Malformations as the Primary Presenting Feature of a PTEN Mutation. *Pediatr Dermatol.* 2011 Jul-Aug;28(4):466-7.

11. Brown, R. H., Sharabi, S. E., Kania, K. E., Hollier, L. H., Izaddoost, S. A. The Split Pectoralis Flap: Combining the Benefits of Pectoralis Major Advancement and Turnover Techniques in One Flap. *Plast Reconstr Surg.* 2017 Jun;139(6):1474-1477.

12. Hollier, L. H., Sharabi, S. E., Koshy, J. C., Stal, S. Facial Trauma: General Principles of Management. *J Craniofac Surg.* 2010 Jul;21(4):1051-3.

13. Hollier, L. H., Sharabi, S. E., Koshy, J. C., Schafer, M. E., O'Young, J., Flood, T. W. Surgical Mission (Not) Impossible- Now What? *J Craniofac Surg.* 2010 Sep;21(5):1488-92.

14. Feldman, E. M., Kontoyiannis, D. P., Sharabi, S. E., Lee, E., Kaufman, Y., Heller, L. Perioperative Antibiotic Prophylaxis for Breast Implant Surgery: Is Cefazolin Enough? *Plast Reconstr Surg.* 2010 Sep;126(3):779-85.

15. Cole, P. D., Stal, D., Sharabi, S. E., Hicks, J., Hollier, L. H. A Comparative, Long-Term Assessment of Four Soft Tissue Substitutes: AlloDerm®, DermaMatrix®, ENDURAGEN®, and DuraMatrix®. *Aesthet Surg J.* 2011 Aug;31(6):674-81.

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19. Momoh, A. O., McKnight, A., Echo, A., Sharabi, S. E., Hollier, L. H.. The First Silicone Breast Implant Patient: A 47-Year Follow Up. *Plast Reconstr Surg.* 2010 Jun; 125(6):226e-9e

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