INTRODUCTION TO GUEST EDITOR

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Gerry was born in New Hyde Park, NY, and attended Brandeis University for his undergraduate Cum Laude degree in Biology. He attended the Mt. Sinai School of Medicine in New York and completed his General Surgery Residency training at Lenox Hill Hospital, New York, NY. His colon and rectal surgery training was done at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Philadelphia, PA. After graduation, he spent 2 years on the Thomas Jefferson staff followed by 3 years in Long Beach, CA. He then returned to Philadelphia and advanced to his current positions.

Gerry is an active clinician, who regularly manages colorectal and anorectal diseases and teaches residents on a daily basis. He recently received the JMC Dean's Award for Mentorship. He is an active participant in multiple local and national surgical societies

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Gerry, his wife Drucie, and children Halie, son-in-law Justin, and Matthew live in Penn Valley, PA. When not working, Gerry enjoys playing with his granddaughter Emma, walking his Portuguese Water dogs, swimming, and trying to relax with yoga.

On behalf of the readers and staff of *Clinics in Colon and Rectal Surgery*, I sincerely thank Dr. Isenberg for serving as a Guest Editor and for providing us with a superb issue on anorectal disease.

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