

DEREK CUFF, MD

Dr. Cuff joined his partners at Suncoast Orthopaedic Surgery and Sports Medicine in 2007 with a subspecialty interest in shoulder and elbow surgery. Dr. Cuff specializes in performing minimally invasive arthroscopic procedures as well as complex shoulder and elbow reconstruction. Dr. Cuff utilizes state of the art surgical techniques to treat the full spectrum of shoulder and elbow problems and performs several hundred procedures each year for these conditions.

In 2012 Dr. Cuff was invited to join the prestigious American Shoulder & Elbow Surgeons (ASES) society. This organization is comprised of the leading national and international orthopaedic surgeons specializing in surgery of the shoulder and elbow. Admission into ASES society is by nomination only and based on sustained academic and research contributions to the field of shoulder and elbow surgery. Dr. Cuff is one of a small group of surgeons in the state of Florida to be given this honor, and he is the only surgeon in Sarasota, Manatee, Charlotte, Lee or Collier counties to achieve Active Member status in this organization. Dr. Cuff has a strong interest in clinical and basic science research of the shoulder and elbow. He has published multiple articles in peer reviewed international journals on these topics. Dr. Cuff has received several research awards for his work in this field including the prestigious Charles Neer Award which was presented to him in 2011 by the American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons for outstanding clinical research.

Dr. Cuff graduated Cum Laude from the University of Maryland School of Medicine. He completed his orthopaedic residency in Baltimore, MD at the University of Maryland Medical System, and a portion of his training was also at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. He went on to complete subspecialty fellowship training in shoulder and elbow surgery in Tampa, FL at The Florida Orthopaedic Institute prior to moving to the Sarasota area. Outside of work Dr. Cuff enjoys spending time with his family, playing golf, exercising, and cheering for his hometown Pittsburgh Steelers.