



Erik Contreras Shoulder & Elbow Surgeon New Jersey

Conditions: Acromioclavicular (AC) joint injury, Articular Cartilage Damage, Bankart Tear or Lesion, Biceps injury, Bursitis, Calcific Tendonitis, Clavicle Fracture, Cubital Tunnel Syndrome, Distal Bicep Tear, Elbow Disclocation, Elbow Fracture, Elbow Instability, Elbow Joint Arthritis, Elbow Pain, Elbow Stiffness, Failed Prior Surgery, Fracture, Frozen Shoulder (Adhesive Capsulitis), Golfer's and Baseball Elbow (Medial Epicondylitis), Humerus Fracture, Implant Infection, Joint Infection, Joint Instability, Labrum Tear, Nerve Entrapment, OCD of the Elbow, Pectoralis Tear, Recurrent and Chronic Elbow Instability, Rotator Cuff Tear, Rotator Cuff Tendonitis, Shoulder Dislocation, Shoulder Arthritis, Shoulder Fracture, Shoulder Instability and Subluxation, Shoulder Pain, SLAP Tear, Sprains and Strains, Tendinitis, Tennis Elbow (Lateral Epicondylitis), Triceps Injury,

Triceps Tear, UCL injury

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SUMMARY

Dr. Erik Contreras is a fellowship trained orthopedic surgeon who specializes in shoulder & elbow surgery, sports medicine, and joint replacement. His philosophy is to treat each patient as a whole and develop an individualized treatment plan based on the patient's needs and goals, beginning with nonsurgical treatment whenever possible. If surgery is needed, Dr. Contreras prefers to use minimally invasive techniques utilizing the most advanced technologies available.

Dr. Contreras received his bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at Austin and his medical degree from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School. He completed his orthopedic residency training at The Ohio State University, where he trained with expert surgeons taking care of NCAA Division 1 athletes. He then completed his fellowship training at the prestigious NYU Langone Orthopedic Hospital in New York City, where he trained in all aspects of shoulder and elbow surgery under the guidance of world-renowned orthopedic surgeons.

Dr. Contreras was elected as a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honor Society, an award given to the top medical students in each class. He has written several publications in renowned orthopedic journals, presented at national and international meetings, and contributed book chapters to the orthopedic literature. Outside of his practice, he enjoys spending time with his family, traveling, hiking, and trying new restaurants.

PUBLICATIONS

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