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# **UMKC School of Medicine and Truman Medical Centers appoint Dr. Bernhardt chairman of orthopaedic surgery**



Mark Bernhardt, M.D.

The University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine and Truman Medical Centers has announced the appointment of Mark Bernhardt, M.D., as Chairman of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, effective July 3. He has served as Interim Chair of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery since July, 2012.

A member of the Dickson-Diveley Midwest Orthopaedic Clinic since 1990, Dr. Bernhardt joined the School of Medicine faculty in 1994 as a clinical associate professor and has served as a clinical professor since 2000. He earned his medical degree from the University of Kansas School of Medicine and completed his residency training in orthopaedic surgery at the University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita/St. Francis Regional Medical Center and Affiliated Hospitals. He completed a fellowship in spine surgery at the Harvard Medical School/Beth Israel Hospital.

He has also served as director of the Spine and Deformity Clinic at Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics, and as associate team physician and spine consultant for the Kansas City Royals professional baseball team, assistant team physician for the Kansas City Blades professional hockey team, and associate team physician for the Kansas City Explorers professional tennis team.

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