Is There (Professional) Life Outside the Operating Room?
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*Vocation... the place where your deep gladness meets the world’s deep hunger.*
*Frederick Buechner*

Using many of the resources focused on leadership and career coaching along with sharing our own personal experience, we will explore just what the many implications are of “leaving” the OR.

In preparation for group discussion, the participants are encouraged to reflect upon their own reasons to consider “leaving the OR” as well as personal values and skills, “wildest dreams”, the needed groundwork, an action plan and what it will mean to succeed.

Resources:
In addition to the hundreds of books on leadership and career coaching the following items are especially relevant to this topic:

American Medical Association has a series of books on this topic….
*Leaving the Bedside: The Search for a Nonclinical Medical Career.* By Maija Balagot, Mark Ingebretsen, Suzanne Fraker (editors)

The Association of American Medical Colleges has a series of monographs called *The Successful Medical School Department Chair: A Guide to Good Institutional Practice*
http://www.aamc.org/members/msmr/successfulchair/start.htm

Leadership programs listed on the Association of American Medical Colleges website…..
http://www.aamc.org/members/msmr/successfulchair/module2/leaderprograms/national.htm