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## Local Surgeon Appointed to UNM Volunteer Faculty

The University of New Mexico School of Medicine (UNMSOM) has appointed Murugan Athigaman, M.D. of Carlsbad to the volunteer position of Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Surgery, effective through December 31, 2011.

According to the UNMSOM website, opportunities are provided for individuals with professional qualifications to have formal appointments within the Departments of the UNSOM, in order to enrich the academic and teaching environment of the UNMSOM.

Athigaman's appointment "identifies him as a member of the volunteer faculty of the UNMSOM and recognizes his active and effective contributions to our teaching and service programs," said UNMSOM Dean Paul B. Roth, M.D.

Athigaman, who is board certified in general and vascular surgery, is also a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons (F.A.C.S.), and has been practicing with the Surgery Group of Carlsbad since 2004. He is an active member of the Carlsbad Medical Center Medical Staff, serving on the Medical Executive Committee as Chair of the Department of Surgery.



*Murugan Athigaman, M.D., F.A.C.S.*