

Kevin M. Keller, M.D.
Co-Founder

Dr. Keller is a board-certified plastic surgeon who mixes his penchant for creativity with his passion for science.

After graduating high school in his native South Carolina, Dr. Keller received a full art scholarship to the Savannah College of Art and Design. His love of medicine, however, took precedence over art and he graduated from Wofford College in Spartanburg, SC, and then the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston. He completed a five-year residency in General Surgery at Spartanburg Regional Medical Center and completed a two-year Plastic Surgery Fellowship in Aesthetic and Reconstructive Surgery at the University of Kentucky in Lexington under the direction of Dr. Henry Vasconez.

In 1999, Dr. Keller established [Upstate Plastic Surgery](#) as a solo practitioner. Today his practice is considered the leading group practice in the area. Dr. Keller designed his team's AAAA-certified operating suite and full-service, medical-based spa. Performing over 100 breast surgeries annually, Dr. Keller has a natural ability to see the final outcome and works diligently to bring about the aesthetic results his patients desire.

Dr. Keller viewed the reintroduction of silicone implants as a welcome challenge to his artistic approach to medicine. He was determined to find a way to combine the incision site and size that he had perfected for saline implants with the plumper, more-natural gel materials of silicone. After a month of research and development, he created the initial prototypes that are pending patent approval at this time.

Dr. Keller is board certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgeons and a member of both the American Society of Plastic Surgeons and The Southeastern Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons.

He is married to Tamela Keller, a leading Ob/Gyn who practices full time in the area, and has two children. Dr. Keller also enjoys water sports, running, and tinkering with art projects as time permits. He feels this development of one of his ideas into a commercial product has been an excellent exercise of his creativity as well as a fantastic opportunity to learn more about the medical-device business.