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Amy J Berry graduated from Virginia Tech, followed by completion of her Master's degree at Florida State University. She completed her dietetic internship at the Medical College of Virginia. After starting as a clinical dietitian in small community hospitals, she worked at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston, SC. Here, her primary focus became providing nutritional care to GI surgery patients. She currently works at the University of Virginia Health System on the surgical nutrition support team, and has been there since 2009. The nutrition support team at UVA is responsible for the provision of enteral and parenteral nutrition to all types of post-surgical patients: this includes the critically ill, those with altered GI anatomy such as fistulas/ostomies and post pancreatic surgery. Amy has specifically worked with the hepato-biliary-pancreatic surgery team collecting data on malnutrition and patient complications, as well as creating a nutrition program in concert with this team and the cancer center. She currently monitors these patients after discharge from surgical admission, working with the patients to optimize oral intake, working with the team to adjust medications for GI symptoms, as well management of enteral and parenteral nutrition. The cancer center has now created a full position to support these patients' increased nutritional needs. Amy currently volunteers with the Academy's practice group Dietitians in Nutrition Support.

Recent related publications/presentations include:

- 2017: *Practical Gastroenterology- Pending Publication*: Reinfusion of Gastrointestinal Secretions- A case based approach
- 2016: Presentation for Dietitians in Nutrition Support at FNCE- MNT across the care continuum: ICU to home- Pancreatic Surgery
- 2016: Poster Presentation at Clinical Nutrition Week- Prevalence of Weight Loss and Malnutrition in pre- and post-op pancreatic surgery patients using a standard definition of malnutrition.
- 2016: Symposia Presentation for Abbvie at CNW- Recognizing Nutritional Disturbances in Pancreatic Disorders
- 2014: *Nutr Clin Prac*. Pancreatic Enzyme replacement during pancreatic insufficiency. June 2014, 29: 312-321.
- 2014: *Support Line*. Nutrition Support during Necrotizing Pancreatitis. Co-authored with Katie Reese. Oct 2014, 36;5:2-7.
- 2013: *Nutr Clin Prac*. Pancreatic Surgery: Indications, complications and implication for nutrition intervention. June 2013, 28: 330-357.