

## Reconstructive Approach to Advanced H & N Skin Cancer

David W. Chang, M.D., F.A.C.S.

*Department of Plastic Surgery, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center*

Advances in reconstructive surgery now allows for resection of large, advanced H & N skin cancer that previously would have been considered unresectable. Ironically, this often leads to creation of large, complex defects that are challenging to reconstruct.

In this presentation, basic reconstructive principles in reconstructing various defects following ablation of H & N skin cancers will be discussed. Reconstructive approaches to achieve optimal wound healing as well as functional and aesthetic restoration will be presented.