

GPSC CURRENT EFFORTS

1. Global Health (GH) Guidelines: Guidelines developed by the GPSC consist of three documents: 1) Institutional partnerships 2) Short-term mission trips and 3) Travel and safety tips. Input from the AAP Section on Surgery Delivery of Surgical Care Committee, the Society for Pediatric Anesthesia Committee on International Education and Service and the American Pediatric Surgical Nurse Association have been secured.

2. Not-a-Textbook (NaT). The interactive version is available to surgeons from LMIC at a reduced cost based on the World Bank country-specific income criteria. APSA Board of Governors has approved a free subscription to NaT for all APSA International Travel Fellows

3. International Travel Fellow (ITF) program: The prior program is expanded from APSA support for annual APSA meeting attendance to the addition of a formalized 1-2 month observership at a US or Canadian institution to support the ITFs' professional development in a specific area of focus with continued mentorship for the ITF program building upon the their return to their home countries. Measurable outcome metrics are incorporated to assess the program impact. An APSA member at the sponsoring institution would serve as the sponsor to coordinate the activities, and a committee member would serve as co-sponsor to assist with the ITF long-term goals and outcome assessment.