

World Association of Laparoscopic Surgeons Receives Landmark Grant from Medical Council of India



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Press Release Summary: International Conference on recent advances in minimal access surgery, organised by World Association of Laparoscopic surgeons (WALS) and hosted by Laparoscopy Hospital, New Delhi, has received financial support from Medical council of India after approval from ministry of health and family welfare Government of India.

Press Release Body: **World Association of Laparoscopic Surgeons** is organizing International Conference on Recent Advances of Minimal Access Surgery every year. In 2009 it is going to be held in Istanbul Turkey under the presidency of Dr. Gokhan Goynumer. Since 2001 Laparoscopy Hospital is supporting surgical residency and fellowship training by providing an opportunity for surgeons-in-training to utilize the Fellowship and Diploma program to study and to certify their basic skills in laparoscopy before going into clinical practice.



"We are proud to extend our coordination with Medical Council of India by having financial support to organise such international conference and laparoscopic workshop," said, **Prof. Dr. R. K. Mishra Indian President, World Association of Laparoscopic Surgeons.** *"This MCI grant will allow thousands of surgeons to get advantage from this conference and to develop in laparoscopic skills which will ultimately lead to new innovative surgical procedures and better patient outcomes,"* added Flora.

The WALS has also developed structured training guidelines , developed by its international members and now jointly supported by the TGO University, is a comprehensive and validated educational module designed to teach the physiology, fundamental knowledge and technical skills required in basic and advanced laparoscopy that allows practice in a safe environment without putting patients at risk. Upon completion of the didactic and manual skills training portion of the course,

participants take a proctored, two-part exam that covers cognitive knowledge, clinical judgment and technical skills.

Recognizing the importance of improving surgeon's technical skills and enhancing patient safety, as well as the need for on-site training and testing, Medical Council of India has provided a generous, financial support to the **WALS**.

World Association of Laparoscopic Surgeons is a leading global organization to promote minimal access surgery among surgeons and gynaecologists all over world. WALS creates innovative medical solutions for better patient outcomes and delivers value through clinical leadership and excellence.

About World Association of Laparoscopic Surgeons

The World Association of Laparoscopic Surgeons (WALS) was founded in 1998 to foster, promote, support and encourage academic, clinical and research achievement in minimal access surgery. The Society has grown from fewer than 50 original members to almost 2,000 over 80 countries. WALS provides signature guidelines for training, standards of practice and granting of privileges which promote patient safety and the best clinical outcomes. Visit <http://www.wals.org.uk> for more information.

About the Laparoscopic Surgery Fellowship and Diploma Program

Developed by the World Association of Laparoscopic Surgeons (WALS) the Fellowship and Diploma in Minimal Access Surgery includes cognitive and hands-on skills training components, and a validated assessment focusing on the physiology, fundamental knowledge, and technical skills required in basic laparoscopic surgery. Visit <http://www.laparoscopyhospital.com> for detail

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