

FMIGS Global Health Committee Policies and Procedures

Goals

The goal of the Global Health Committee is to promote service, education, and research in advanced pelvic and minimally invasive surgery globally.

Charge of the Global Health Committee

1. Promotion of bidirectional global health exchanges for FMIGS fellows and early career attendings
2. Increase AAGL membership of those from underrepresented countries – i.e. Africa, Asia, etc.
3. Promote international multi-site research.
4. Create global health educational resources.
5. Promote MIS workshops abroad.
6. Promote FMIGS program development in underrepresented regions.

Selection, Composition and Size of the Committee

- A. **Committee Chair:** The Chair will be appointed by the FMIGS President and approved by the Board annually for a two-year term. Preference is given to individuals who possess an expertise or expansive knowledge of the committee's activities.
- B. **Committee Members:** The President will serve on the Committee ex-officio. Additional committee members are selected by the FMIGS Board of Directors. Fellowship members (fellows, fellowship directors, or Board members) who are interested in participation may request to be appointed by the Board. Committee members are appointed annually and can serve a maximum of three consecutive years in this position.
- C. **Committee Size:** The committee size may fluctuate depending on the amount of work the committee must accomplish. The committee Chair will ultimately decide on adding or subtracting membership as needed, as confirmed by the FMIGS Board of Directors.

Committee Meetings

Committee meetings will mostly be held by phone/tele conference call. It is recommended to meet no less than quarterly until a time when the committee's goals are accomplished or deferred. The short- and long-term goals should be defined at the first meeting.

Financial Responsibility

Any needs for financial support must be submitted to and approved by the FMIGS Board of Directors.

History of the Committee

The Global Health Committee was created and authorized in 2024.