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OPERATION HERNIA

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TRAINING SCHEDULE RLOH MISSION 2017

INTRODUCTION

Training is the mainstay of the RLH Medical Missions. We have trained doctors in the district hospitals during each of the 4 missions we have undertaken. In February 2016 we organised a successful first Hernia training workshop at Rwamagana Hospital that was equipped by RLH as a training centre.

In 2017, however, we would concentrate on training Postgraduate surgical trainees in Rwanda and COSECSA. In spite of this new emphasis, we still provide training opportunities to doctors in the district hospitals.

1. PROGRAMME FOR HERNIA TRAINING

It should be noted that skills acquired by surgical trainees in this programme are transferable to other specialties

We will adopt the successful training programme used by Operation Hernia at COSECSA / OPERATION HERNIA Training programme in Uganda in Sept 2017. This will be an intensive, hands on, one to one training programme to be delivered by 5 Consultant surgeons at 2 or 3 sites. The aim is to upgrade skills of trainees to Competence Level 5 of the Royal Colleges of Surgeons in the UK.

2. TRAINEES

The target will be postgraduate surgical trainees at CHUK

3. LECTURES

These will be delivered at CHUK by faculty.

Lectures will be open to all interested surgical trainees and all doctors at CHUK and COSECSA

4. HANDS ON TRAINING

In order to ensure effectiveness of training, each Trainer will be allocated 3 Trainees and no more. The training will therefore be limited to only these trainees, although the lectures will be open to all interested doctors.

5. VENUE FOR HANDS ON TRAINING

1. CHUK - 2 Theatres
2. Rwamagana Hospital - 2 Theatres
3. Possible third Hospital at Kigali (To be discussed)

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6. PRE-COURSE SURVEY OF SURGICAL EXPERIENCE

Every trainee selected for the hands on training will complete a pre-course survey to assess their surgical experience. This will provide their trainers with essential data to inform their training schedule.

7. STUDY LEAVE

It is absolutely essential that all trainees selected for the hands-on training should be given study leave for the whole training week. Faculty will insist that if a trainee will not be available for the whole of the training week, they will be excluded.

8. COSECSA TRAINEES

The course is open to COSECSA trainees from other countries.

9. TRAINING OF DOCTORS IN DISTRICT HOSPITALS

RLH teams working in the district hospitals will train doctors who work in the district hospitals.

10 CME CERTIFICATION

CME certification will be applied for. There will be 2 certificates: one for all doctors who attend the lectures only and another for doctors who attend both the lecture and the hands on training sessions.

11. CERTIFICATE OF TRAINING

This will be awarded to the surgical trainees at the end of training at an appropriate ceremony

12. TRAINING IN ORTHOPAEDICS, PLASTICS SURGERY

The Lead for the RLH Orthopaedic team, will visit in March for a few days to assess service and training needs. We will arrange for him to have discussions with CHUK Head of Surgery and Education, Mr Faustin Ntirenganya, leading Orthopaedic surgeon at CHUK and the Medical Director at Rwamagana Hospital, Dr Philbert Muhire. They will then design a training programme to be actioned later in 2017/2018. The RLH Plastics team have already made the necessary assessment in February 2016.

13 TRAINING IN OTHER GENERAL SURGICAL PROCEDURES.

The RLH Medical Director, will liaise with Dr Fausting Ntirenganya to identify other specific training needs in General Surgery to be addressed.

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