Annual Report 2022

Department of General Surgery

Development of an Academic Department

Since the beginning of 2021 we have been able to reinforce and strengthen the Department of Surgery, School of Medicine, Health Science Faculty, University of Limpopo, in numerous ways. The core of any Department are its professional staffing. We were grateful to extend our Department with fresh blood; very senior as well as junior staff:

- Current Specialists
  - Prof van As (Pietersburg)
  - Prof Bhuiyan (Mankweng)
  - Dr Tun (GIT)
  - Dr Latakgomo (Fellow of American Association of Surgeons)
  - Dr Jonas
  - Dr Nshuti (Vasc)
  - Dr Phakula
  - Dr Mogase (Vasc))
  - Dr Mongwe
  - Dr Ekeh
- Current Registrars:
  - Dr Mashaba
  - Dr Malinga
  - Dr Sithole
  - Dr Mauna
  - Dr Seakamela
  - Dr Padima
  - Dr Gogoberishvilli
  - Dr Ramatladi
  - Dr Botha

We are in negotiation with Dr Schutte, an experienced Trauma Surgeon that is keen to come to Limpopo; she is however still awaiting her HPCSA registration.

We received official permission from the HPCSA to appoint 16 Surgical Registrars; this means that we currently have 7 open posts. In addition, we also received 2 requests from outside South Africa for Supernumerary Registrars; which are currently in process. (Requirement is HPCSA registration which takes considerable time)

We are also very grateful for the establishment of a number of new Clinical and Academic Surgical Units:

- Vascular Unit (Dr Mogase; Dr Nshuti)
- GIT (Dr Tun)

Website and Webpage:

The Department also is now visible on the Internet; the Webpage: http://www.ldoh.gov.za/ldoh-admin/documents/latestnews/documents/Department%20of%20General%20Surgery,%20Limpopo%20Province220325.pdf

- ***Scholarly Presentations and Workshop Attendances (16 in Total):***

Names	Conference Details
Dr Tun Dr Sithole Dr Netshisaulu Dr Mauna	Registrar Symposium 2022 GE Conference centre, Melrose Arch, J.H.B 06-07.07.2022
Dr Latakgomo Dr Malinga	Colonoscopic Workshop Pretoria Hernia Workshop Belgium December 22 July 2022 (3 days)
Prof van As	Paediatric Care World Conference June 2022 Cape Town
ASSA SAGES Conference 2022	Drakensburg Conference centre, Kwazulu-Natal. 11-14.08.2022
Dr Nshuti Dr Mogase	VASSA August 2022 Drakensberg
Dr Latakgomo Dr Phakula Dr Tun Dr Mongwe	ASSA August 2022 Drakensberg
Dr Latakgomo Dr Phakula	Laparoscopic Workshop Netherlands and Belgium July & December 2022

- ***Scholarly (Peer-reviewed) Publications (26 in Total):***

1 Shea J, van As S, Fino E, Tinley C. Eye Injuries in Young Children: A Retrospective Study of Children Presenting to a Tertiary Hospital in Cape Town, South Africa. Acad J Ped Neonatol 10(3) AJPN.ms.id.555844(2021)http://doi:10.19080/ajpn.2021.10.555844

2 Giulia Lorenzoni, Alexander Hochdorn, Giulia Beltrame Vriz, Andrea Francavilla, Romina Valentini, Solidea Baldas, Giselle Cuestas, Hugo Rodriguez, Achal Gulati, A B Sebastian van As, Dario Gregori. Regulatory and Educational Initiatives to Prevent Food Choking Injuries in Children: An Overview of the Current Approaches. Front Public Health . 2022 May 19;10:830876. http://doi:10.3389/fpubh.2022.830876

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10 Mudau MO, van As AB The challenges of starting a tertiary orthopaedics centre in a rural area.. SAMJ 2022; https://doi.org/10.7196/SAMJ.2022.v112i11b.16843

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12 Moremi MD, van As AB, Nchabeleng RM, Ramanyimi G, Risenga S 'H-type' tracheoesophageal fistula in an infant: A case report Afr J Thoracic Crit Care Med 2022;28(4):195-197. https://doi.org/10.7196/AJTCCM.2022.v28i4.203

13 Tun M Establishing high-tech surgical procedures in the Limpopo Academic Complex, Polokwane, South Africa S Afr Med J 2022;112(11b):892-894. https://doi.org/10.7196/SAMJ.2022.v112i11b.16820

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