

APPENDIX

Survey

1. It is important that visiting residents have prior experience in trauma.
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
2. It is important that visiting residents have ATLS certification.
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
3. It is important that visiting residents be in their senior years of training (PGY 3 -5)
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
4. It is important that visiting residents have prior experience in international medical work.
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
5. It is important that visiting residents have prior experience working in low resource settings.
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
6. It is important that visiting residents be familiar with basic resuscitation procedures such as chest tubes, central lines, thoracotomies and tracheal intubation.
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
7. Pre-departure training (training before coming to Mexico) should focus primarily on procedural skills.

- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
8. Pre-departure training should focus on the cultural aspects of working in Mexico.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
9. Pre-departure training should focus mainly on learning Spanish.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
10. Pre-departure training should focus mainly on safety and security when working in Mexico City
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
11. Pre-departure training should focus on learning about the Mexican health care system.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
12. Pre-departure training is not necessary before coming on an elective to Mexico City.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
13. Do you have any suggestions for pre-departure training for Canadian residents visiting Mexico City?
14. Research is an important focus of a trauma center.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral

- d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
15. International clinical case discussion rounds with colleagues at a Canadian Center is an worthwhile academic activity.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
16. Case discussions/international rounds via “Skype” should occur
- a. Never
 - b. 2-3 times per year
 - c. Monthly
 - d. Twice per month
 - e. Weekly
17. It is important to co-author publications (both Mexican and Canadian authors)
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
18. In the future, it would be beneficial to collaborate on research with Canadian surgeons and residents.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
19. iTrauma is a tool that will improve patient care
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
20. The principle benefit of international clinical exchange is the formation of research collaborations.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree

21. Do you have any suggestions for improving research and academic collaboration between Mexican and Canadian Centers.
22. It is important for to collaborate on clinical and academic ventures with institutions outside of Mexico.
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
23. It would be beneficial for Mexican residents to rotate at a Canadian healthcare center.
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
24. Canadian residents benefit from rotating at a Mexican hospital.
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
25. We must do more to encourage international collaboration at conferences and meetings.
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
26. Language is the biggest barrier to international collaboration
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
27. Distance to travel is the biggest barrier to international collaboration
 - a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
28. Limitations on time and scheduling conflicts are the biggest barriers to international clinical rotations and global surgery initiatives.
 - a. Completely disagree

- b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
29. How can we improve international collaboration?
30. The main objective of a rotating resident is the improvement in surgical skills.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
31. What is the main objective of an international rotation
- a. Engage in research
 - b. Spending time in the operating room
 - c. Both are equally important
32. The main objective of Mexican residents visiting a Canadian center would be improving surgical skills in a different healthcare system.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
33. It may be difficult to balance the needs of local resident surgeons with those of visiting elective resident surgeons in the operating room.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
34. The main priority during an international elective should be spending time in the operating room.
- a. Completely disagree
 - b. Partially disagree
 - c. Neutral
 - d. Partially agree
 - e. Completely agree
35. What is the best way to improve surgical skills during an international elective?
36. Do you have any other commentary or suggestions for future clinical exchanges?