

The Master Surgeon Trust – Annual progress Report 2017/18

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## Introduction

The year 2017/18 has been a successful year for The Master Surgeon Trust under the leadership and guidance of our Chairman Mr Ross K McMahon as well as the executive committee. We have expanded upon the core operational areas of the charity with expanding membership, popularity and revenue. Please see below for a breakdown of this.

The Master Surgeon Trust is a UK medical education charity founded in 2013 with the aims of ongoing operation, expansion of the www.themastersurgeon.com website (founded in 2010 by Mr Dev Mittapalli and co-founded by Mr Kasun Wanigasooriya). Secondary aims were to develop free, affordable courses and other resources for medical and surgical trainees. Refer to our constitution for a more comprehensive list of goals of the charity and our vision.

## Core operational areas:

- 1. The Master Surgeon Website
  - a. We have now reached 289 questions owing to the contributions by existing members and new members
  - b. We exceeded 2.8 million page views this year since launch
  - c. We have been visited by 1.3 million unique visitors with over 1 million sessions
  - d. "Pancreatitis Scoring" still the most viewed page -Anecdotal evidence suggests we are the most commonly used source by clinicians in the UK to carry out pancreatitis severity assessment using the Glasgow Score
  - e. Our services are being used by many across the globe
- 2. The Master Surgeon Trust courses
  - a. The P2P course was run for the third time in July 2017 with positive feedback from faculty and participants.

- 3. The Master Surgeon Trust
  - a. Membership and demand for membership is continuing to grow locally in the United Kingdom and internationally.
  - b. Regular meetings held to ensure a democratic process of governance within the organisation
  - c. Our revenue and charitable donations continues to grow since its launch in 2013.
- 4. The Master Surgeon and Social Media
  - a. We have over 2100 Facebook <sup>™</sup> friends
  - b. We also have many Twitter <sup>™</sup> followers
  - c. We have increased outreach via ASiT Conference and TMS Business Cards
  - d. A WhatsApp <sup>™</sup> group for the core UK based membership
  - e. Ongoing to publicity of the charity and activities online

## Acknowledgements

We would like to thank all those who have provided financial donations to the charity and contributed through all other means.

## Conclusion:

The charity continues to grow and has achieved much and progressed in this term of 2017/18. I hope you will all join me in thanking the executive committee, all our members and sponsors in helping make this year a success. There is still scope for further development and we continue to appreciate your ongoing commitment and support.