



Challenges in Global Surgery

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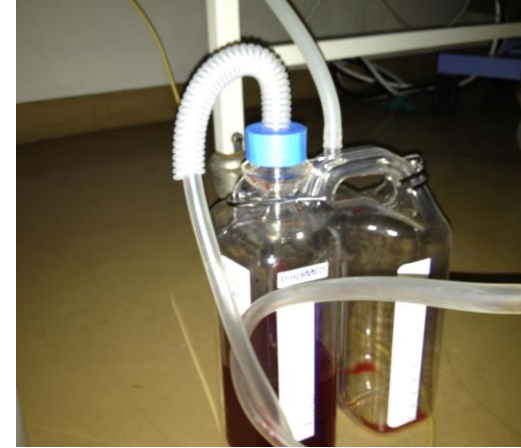
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Clinical Challenges

- Access to care
- Quality of care
- Records and Follow-up
- Scope of practice
- Different resources
- Limited anesthesia resources

Clinical Challenges



Solutions to Clinical Challenges

- Partnership
 - Long-term relationships
 - Multidisciplinary
- Listen, listen, listen
- Humility



Research Challenges

- Data quality
- Time for research
- Contextual relevance
- Publication bias
- Publication equity
- International IRBs



Addressing Research Challenges

- Partnership
 - Addresses time limitation
 - Contextual relevance
- Prioritize equity and capacity building
- Plan for extra time
- Making the case to your chair



Funding Challenges

- Limited grant funding in HIC
- Limited departmental support
- Extremely limited resources for local partners



Addressing Funding Challenges

- Start with project which need limited funds
 - Quality improvement
 - Education
- Synergies between HIC and LMIC



- GlobalSurg and other multinational projects
- Philanthropic funding

Ethical Challenges

- Unintentional harm
- Patient vulnerabilities
- Situational standards of care
- Cultural competency
- Extractive Research



Addressing Ethical Challenges

- Partnership
- Needs assessments
- Vigilance
- Patience



Questions?



Thank you!



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