



The Master Surgeon Trust

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The Master Surgeon Trust – Annual Progress Report 2016/17

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Introduction

The year 2016/17 has been an extremely successful year for The Master Surgeon Trust under the leadership and guidance of our Chairman Dr Vanushia Thirumal 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 270 MCQs owing to the generous contributions by existing members and new members
- b. We exceeded 2 million page views this year since launch and closing in on 2.5 million soon
- c. We have been visited by nearly a million unique visitors with over 1million sessions
- d. “Free MCQs” and “Pancreatitis Scoring” on Google searches lands our website in the top three Google Search™ results
- e. 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
- f. Our services are being used by many across the globe

2. The Master Surgeon Trust courses
 - a. The P2P course was run for the second-time last year at the George Elliot Hospital. Preparations are under way for the 2017 course

3. Awarding Prizes at ASIT
 - a. The Master Surgeon Trust has donated £100.00 prize at the annual ASIT conference over the last two years.

4. The Master Surgeon Trust
 - a. The charity constitution was updated at the last AGM and formal approval granted to introduce a hierarchy of membership
 - b. Membership and demand for membership is continuing to grow locally in the United Kingdom and internationally
 - c. Regular meetings held to ensure a democratic process of governance within the organisation
 - d. 2016/17 saw the biggest increase in revenue and charitable donations to The Master Surgeon Trust since its launch in 2013

5. The Master Surgeon and Social Media
 - a. We have over 2000 Facebook TM friends
 - b. We also have many Twitter TM followers
 - c. A WhatsApp group for the core UK based membership
 - d. The team continue to publicise the charity and activities online

Acknowledgements

- We would like to thank all those who have provided financial donations to the charity.
- A special thank you to Mr Edward Rawstorne who retired from the charity this year after 3 years of service due to a career change. Mr Rawstorne contributed in various roles of the executive committee and also through questions, tutorials for the website. We wish Mr Rawstorne all the best for the future and express the charities gratitude for all his contributions.

Conclusion:

I am certain that you will agree with me in concluding that the charity has achieved much and progressed immensely in the year 2016/17. I hope you will all join in me thanking the executive committee, all our members and sponsors in helping make this year an unqualified success. There is still a long way to go and we continue to appreciate your ongoing commitment and support despite your busy schedules.