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Professor Udom Poshakhrishna was elected first President of the College working with other six executive council members for a two-year term. Since then, the College has grown to become a well recognized and respectful national surgical organization with over 2,429 fellow members in 11 surgical specialties and subspecialties, including 1,637 general surgeons, 161 neurosurgeons, 127 orthopedic surgeons, 166 urologists, 168 plastic and reconstructive surgeons, 116 cardiothoracic surgeons, 108 pediatric surgeons and 25 colorectal surgeons. The College has been granted the Royal Patronage by His Majesty the King since 7 April 1980.

Main activities of the College for improvement of standard of surgical care nationwide include provision of postgraduate surgical education and training for surgical residents and fellows in 11 subspecialties, provision of continuous medical education and professional development activities to increase the capability and efficiency of surgical practice for fellow members and surgeons, improvement of standard of surgical practice and service by several measures of quality improvement such as patient safety measures, etc., encouragement and support of basic and clinical researches to enhance the surgical care by providing various research courses, provision of awards for best research papers, etc., and organization of annual scientific congress and other surgical meetings in different regions of the country all year round as well as enhancement of knowledge, skills and expertise in surgery.
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What we do:

- provide postgraduate surgical education and training for surgical residents and fellows in 11 specialties
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- promote and support surgical research in Thailand by granting awards for best research papers, etc.
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Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow
From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, is an institute of physicians and surgeons in Glasgow, Scotland.

Founded by Peter Lowe after receiving a royal charter by James VI in 1599, as the Glasgow Faculty, it originally existed as a regulatory authority to ensure that physicians, surgeons and dentists in the West of Scotland were appropriately trained and regulated. In 1909, it achieved Royal recognition and became the Royal Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow (RFPSG). In 1962, following agreement with the other medical and surgical Royal Colleges in the UK it achieved collegiate status as the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow (RCPSG), by which name it is known today.[1]

The College, in combination with the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh and the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh provided a primary medical qualification which entitled the bearer to practice medicine, and was registrable with the General Medical Council as a primary medical qualification as a part of the "Scottish Triple Conjoint Diploma". From 1994, until the abolition of non-university qualifying examinations in 1999, this was offered through the United Examining Board. Until 1948 the Faculty (as it then was) provided dental education via the Glasgow Dental School awarding the qualification of LDS RFPSG. Since 1948 training in dentistry has been provided by the University of Glasgow who award the BDS degree.

The College is now concerned with postgraduate medical education, offering examinations that lead to Membership and Fellowship to appropriately qualified physicians, surgeons, dentists and podiatrists. They also offer a number of specialist postgraduate diplomas to medical practitioners in various subjects including dermatology, child health, geriatric medicine, travel health, ophthalmology, and dentistry. It is actively involved in the promotion of healthcare, preventative medicine and has a national and international reputation for excellence in medical practice.

As the only multidisciplinary Royal College in the UK we have been supporting and representing our members for over 400 years by setting the highest possible standards of health care.

Our membership has grown to over 10,000 physicians, surgeons, dental professionals, specialists in the field of travel medicine and podiatric medicine across the UK and worldwide. We provide ongoing career support to our membership by providing wide ranging, high quality, relevant education, training, professional development, education and assessment.

The College is one of Glasgow's historic sites and, as a charitable organisation, we make a positive contribution to the wider community.
Our Mission

In order to set the highest possible standards of health care, our mission is to provide career support to our membership both here in the UK and across the world through:

- Education
- Training
- Professional Development
- Examinations and Assessment

As a charity we hold a variety of free public events, we work with local communities to promote health and we open our doors to allow everyone access to our fantastic collection of historic and archival treasures.

Open and friendly, yet modern and efficient we help our growing membership of physicians, surgeons, dental professionals, specialists in travel medicine and podiatric medicine to become rounded, open-minded and skilled professionals.

History of RCSI

Royal College of Physicians of Ireland

The Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (RCPI) was established in 1654, as a Fraternity of Physicians which was granted a Royal Charter by Charles II in 1667. The roll of the College includes the names of such famous Irish medical men as John Steam, Thomas Arthur, Sir Patrick Dunn, Thomas Molyneux, William Petty, John Cheyne, Robert Graves, William Stokes and Sir Dominic Corrigan.

In association with the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, the College plays an active part in the education and examination of undergraduate medical students.

National University of Ireland

The Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland and the National University of Ireland (NUI) concluded an agreement in 1977 whereby the Medical School is a recognised college of the NUI and its students graduate from the National University of Ireland as well as from the RCPI and the RCSI. Historically, the Cecilia Street School of Medicine of the Catholic University was the forerunner of University College Dublin Medical School of the NUI.

Recognition was given to the Cecilia Street School by the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland and all the Professors and Demonstrators at Cecilia Street were graduates of the College.

Power to Award Degrees

On 12th October 2010, RCSI received Designated Awarding Body status from the State giving the College the power to award its own degrees

200 Years on St. Stephen's Green

In 2010 the College celebrated 200 years on St. Stephen's Green in Dublin. A video history of the College can be viewed [here](#)
The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (RCSEd) is an organisation dedicated to the pursuit of excellence and advancement in surgical and dental practice, through its interest in education, training and examinations, its liaison with external medical bodies and representation of the modern surgical and dental workforce.

The College’s main campus is situated in Nicolson Street, Edinburgh in the distinctive William Playfair designed Playfair Hall and surrounding buildings, and includes function and meeting facilities, the Surgeons’ Hall Museum, College Library, a 77 bedroom hotel, postgraduate accommodation, a dedicated skills laboratory and office space for over 140 staff.

In spring 2014, RCSEd opened a new Centre of Operations in Birmingham. This marks the first time in the College’s 500 year history that RCSEd has a base outside Edinburgh. As such, it was a ground-breaking development for RCSEd, recognising that, currently, 80% of our UK membership is based in England and Wales - over 11,000 professionals in total. This new centre confirms the College’s commitment to our membership by providing a focal point for our activity in England and Wales and cementing our position as a College with a strength and relevance throughout the UK and beyond.

With over 22,500 Fellows, Members and Affiliates based in over 100 countries worldwide and with a newly launched International School of Surgery, RCSEd today is truly a modern international network.

The College prides itself on its reputation for friendliness and approachability combined with innovation and prestige, and the individual attention given to all our College Fellows, Members, Affiliates and guests.

The College of Surgeons of Hong Kong was incorporated in June 1989, with the following objectives:

- to promote the advancement of knowledge in the field of surgery
- to act as an authoritative body in matters of educational or public interest concerning surgery
- to conduct postgraduate training, examination and accreditation of surgeons in Hong Kong
- to provide continuing medical education for surgeons in Hong Kong
- to develop specialties in the field of surgery

The membership of the College consists of Fellows and Ordinary Members.

The College of Surgeons of East, Central and Southern Africa (COSECSA) is an independent body that fosters postgraduate education in surgery and provides surgical training throughout the region of East, Central and Southern Africa. COSECSA is a non-profit making body that currently operates in 10 countries in the sub-Saharan region: Burundi, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Our primary objective is to advance education, training, standards, research & practice in surgical care in this region. COSECSA shapes and leads the training of surgeons in the Sub-Saharan region. We deliver a common surgical training programme with a common examination and an internationally
recognised surgical qualification. Admission to the College is open to all registered medical practitioners who comply with the professional requirements for admission.

The Royal College of Surgeons of England is a professional membership organisation and registered charity, which exists to advance surgical standards and improve patient care. We support 20,000 members in the UK and internationally by improving their skills and knowledge, developing policy and guidance, and carrying out projects to improve surgical care.

With a full programme of exams and courses, we equip surgeons with the skills they need throughout their careers. High-quality patient care is at the heart of our work, and we also maintain an innovative research programme through donations and legacies.

The College, set up by Royal Charter in 1800, has a unique heritage, with the Hunterian Museum open to the public in London.

College Mission Statement
The Royal College of Surgeons of England is committed to enabling surgeons to achieve and maintain the highest standards of surgical practice and patient care.

What we do

- Supervise training of surgeons in approved posts
- **Provide educational and practical workshops** for surgeons and other medical professionals at all stages of their careers
- **Examine** trainees to ensure the highest professional standards
- Promote and support surgical research in the UK
- Support audit and evaluation of clinical effectiveness
- Provide **support and advice for surgeons** in all stages of their careers
- Provide a mechanism whereby trusts can seek independent advice
- House a current and historical information resource centre for surgeons in the library and museums
- **Act as an advisory body** to the Department of Health, health authorities, trusts, hospitals and other professional bodies
- Collaborate with other medical and academic organisations in the UK and worldwide
Seek to convey the importance of, and provide support for, good, effective communication and interpersonal relationships between patients and surgeons

What we don't do

- Register or license surgeons to practise nor have responsibility for disciplinary actions; this is the responsibility of the General Medical Council (GMC)
- Process complaints from patients; this is another responsibility of the GMC or a function of individual hospitals
- Recommend individual surgeons to patients or offer patients medical advice; the College recommends that patients always seek referral through general practitioners.

History of the American College of Surgeons

The American College of Surgeons (ACS) was established in Chicago, IL, in 1913 at the initiative of Franklin Martin, MD, FACS. The College is a surgical society dedicated to promoting the highest standards of surgical care through education of, and advocacy for, its Fellows and their patients, and to safeguarding standards of care in an optimal and ethical practice environment.

The College was an outgrowth of the highly successful Clinical Congresses of Surgeons of North America, which took place annually from 1910 in various large surgical centers throughout North America as a means for continuing education of practicing surgeons. The Clinical Congresses were, themselves, an outgrowth of the journal Surgery, Gynecology and Obstetrics, another initiative of ACS Founder Franklin H. Martin. SG&O began publishing in 1905 as a vehicle for practicing surgeons to edit their own journal, unlike most other scientific medical journals of the day, with the exception of the Journal of the American Medical Association, which were published by non-medical commercial firms for profit. From the time of its origin, the College has been involved in surgical education and research, patient welfare, hospital standardization, ethics of practice, and collaboration with other medical associations.