ACS is Mission Driven

• Quality
• Education
• Member Services
• Advocacy and Health Policy
• Integrated Communications
100+ Years of Quality Improvement

- 1913: Minimum Standard for Hospitals
- 1917: American College of Surgeons
- 1922: Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO)
- 1950: The Committee on Trauma
- 1951: JCAHO
- 1988: NCDB
- 1998: ACOSOG
100+ Years of Quality Improvement

2004
2005
2008
2012
2013
2016
2017

100+ Years of Quality Improvement

American College of Surgeons
Inspiring Quality: Highest Standards, Better Outcomes

Optimal Resources for Surgical Quality and Safety
Four Principles of Continuous Quality Improvement

**Standards**
- Inspired by patient-centered care
- Backed by research and continuously-validated data
- Nationally benchmarked

**Right Infrastructure**
- Staffing levels
- Specialists
- Equipment
- Checklists
- Information technology

**Rigorous Data**
- From local medical charts/EMRs
- Backed by research
- Post-discharge tracking
- Continuously updated, real-time measurements

**Verification**
- External peer-review
- Creates public assurance
The Red Book: Optimal Resources for Surgical Quality and Safety

Utilize the Red Book to lead quality improvement through the 5 phases of care:

1. Surgical preoperative evaluation and preparation phase of care
2. Immediate preoperative readiness phase of care
3. Intraoperative phase of care
4. Postoperative phase of care
5. Post-discharge phase of care
Quality Improvement: A Shared Interest and Mission

National Strategy for Quality Improvement in Health Care
U.S. Department of Health and Human Service
• Better care; healthy people and communities; affordable care

Triple Aim
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
• Improving the experience of care; improving the health of populations; and reducing per capita costs of health care

Learning Health Care System
Institute of Medicine
• Concept and contextualization of evidence
ACS NSQIP: Data Matters

82% of hospitals decreased complications

66% of hospitals decreased mortality

250-500 complications prevented annually per hospital
Collaboratives are the Future

- **Regulatory focus**: preventable readmissions and hospital acquired conditions
- **PPACA implementation**: greater focus on quality, safety and value
- **Pay for performance**
- **Importantly**: it’s the right thing to do for our patients
Quality – Public Assurance

Quality Programs are in over 2800 hospitals

Verification/Accreditation programs growing

- Cancer > 1,600 centers
- Breast > 200 centers
- Trauma > 430 centers
- Bariatric > 730 centers
Surgeon Specific Registry

• New SSR launched April 18, 2017
• Enables surgeons to log and track their cases
• As of October 18:
  – 4,580 users
  – 387,525 cases entered
  – 18,000 new cases/week
The Surgeon of the Future

• Lead safe high performance teams
  – Integration of surgical/nonsurgical skills
  – Part of systems of care
• Evidence based practice
• Outcomes data – public reporting
• Continuous, professional development
• Recertification based on practice
• Communication, respect for others
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Products for Practicing Surgeons, Surgical Teams, and Trainees
Products for Residents & Medical Students
Products for Surgery Faculty
Products for Surgical Patients & Caregivers

Coloscopy

- The risk of colon cancer is increased if you have a relative who had CRC before age 60.
- CRC is the second leading cause of death rate in the U.S.
- Colonoscopy: Diagnostic tool to evaluate conditions such as polyps, change in bowel habits, or abdominal pain.

Appendectomy

- Surgical Removal of the Appendix

Groin Hernia Repair

- Inguinal and Femoral

Patient Education

- This educational information is to help you better prepare for your operation and empower you with the skills and knowledge needed to actively participate in your care.

Keeping You Informed

- Information that will help you

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Stop the Bleed

- 7,316 registered instructors
- 4,365 registered classes
- 50,000+ individuals instructed
- 43 countries represented
Accreditation, Verification & Validation Programs

- Accredited Education Institutes
- Continuing Medical Education Credits
  - Self-Assessment and Special Credits
  - Manage CME credits
- Verification of Surgical Knowledge and Skills
Evolving New Programs

- Academy of Master Surgeon Educators
- Tele mentoring for Practicing Surgeons
- Program for Coaching a Next Generation
- Program on Decision Making
- Board Certification Mentoring
- Preceptorships for Practicing Surgeons

ACS Education and Training are the Cornerstones of Excellence

ACS Education and Training Transform Possibilities into Realities

ACS Education and Training Instill the Joy of Lifelong Learning
Save the Date: Clinical Congress 2018

CLINICAL CONGRESS 2018
OCTOBER 21–25 | BOSTON CONVENTION & EXHIBITION CENTER
BOSTON, MA

2018 BOSTON
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## ACS Membership by Class

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**Total ACS Membership:** 80,224
ACS Membership by Gender

- Male: 84%
- Female: 15%
- Not Reported: 1%
Membership

Recruitment and Retention

- Room for expansion in every market
  - Students
  - Residents
  - General Surgeons
  - Every Surgical Specialty
  - International Surgeons
  - Affiliate Members/ACS Quality Programs

- Not a homogenous group
  - Gender, Specialty, Sub specialty, practice configuration
Board of Governors

- **274 Fellows serve on the Board of Governors (B/G)**
  - 83 Specialty Society Governors
  - 12 Canadian Governors
  - 218 Domestic Governors
  - 43 International Governors

- **B/G Leadership**
  - 7 member Executive Committee
  - Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary
  - Five members serve as Pillar Leads
Board of Governors is structured under five Pillars and 13 workgroups

- Advocacy and Health Policy Pillar
- Communication Pillar
- Education Pillar
- Member Services Pillar
- Quality, Research, and Optimal Patient Care Pillar
Advisory Councils

• **13 Advisory Councils for the Surgical Specialties**
  – Enhances the relationship with the specialties, and
  – Improves communication between the Board of Regents and the various specialty organizations

• **Advisory Councils perform the following functions:**
  – Serve as a liaison in the communication of information to and from surgical societies and the Regents.
  – Advise the Regents on policy matters relating to their specialties.
  – Discuss matters to be presented to the Regents or other College departments or committees.
  – Nominate Fellows from the surgical specialties to serve on College committees and other committees and organizations.
  – Provide specialty input into the development of general and specialty sessions for the Clinical Congress.
Chapter Services

- Total ACS Chapters: **112**
- Domestic Chapters: **67** (65 U.S. Chapters, 2 Canadian Chapters)
- International Chapters: **45**
  - Current growth rate of approx. 2 new chapters per year
  - Chapters forming all over the globe, with much interest in regions of South America/Caribbean, Middle East, and Africa
- ACS Chapters offer a forum for all members—from every surgical specialty—to communicate and promote the objectives of the College
  - Chapter Officer Leadership Program (COLP): a program designed to provide chapter officers with the tools they need to succeed as chapters leaders, and to provide them with an networking opportunity
  - Chapter Speed Networking event at Clinical Congress
• 7th Annual Summit will take place May 19-22, 2018 at the Renaissance Washington, DC Downtown Hotel

• More than 400 College leaders and members will be in attendance

• The **Leadership Summit** will address key topics including change management, leading in times of crisis, ethics in surgical leadership, strategic thinking and planning, mentoring for a career in surgical leadership, and impacting lives beyond your practice.

• The **Advocacy Summit** will provide attendees with information on legislative priorities the College is pursuing on your behalf, and will include Capitol Hill visits with members of Congress and their staffs.

• Visit [www.facs.org/summit](http://www.facs.org/summit) for further details and to register
Resident and Associate Society (RAS)

- RAS members are residents, trainees and Associate Fellows
- RAS-ACS serves to familiarize this group with College programs and leadership
- RAS-ACS provides an avenue for participation in ACS affairs, fosters development and use of leadership skills in organized surgery, and provides opportunities for opinions and concerns of young surgeons and trainees to be heard by College leadership
- RAC-ACS provides engagement opportunities for interested, talented residents and young surgeons to participate in College activities and committees
Young Fellows Association (YFA)

- Young Fellows are 45 years and younger
- The YFA promotes the interests and supports the needs of Young Fellows within the ACS in all aspects of their professional endeavors
- The YFA provides engagement opportunities for interested, talented Young Fellows to participate in College activities and committees
Other Member Services Programs

- Operation Giving Back (OGB)
- Scholarships- $1.6 M in FY2018
- Military Health System Strategic Partnership (MHSSPACS)
- Your ACS Profile
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Committees

– Health Policy and Advocacy Group
  • Legislative Committee
  • General Surgery Coding and Reimbursement Committee
  • Health Policy Advisory Council
  • ACSPA-SurgeonsPAC
## Advocacy and Health Policy: 2018 Issues

1. Accreditation  
2. Administrative Burden  
3. Affordable Care Act  
4. APMs  
5. Appropriateness  
6. Burnout  
7. Commission on Cancer and Cancer Programs Advocacy  
8. Committee on Trauma Advocacy  
9. Concurrent Surgery  
10. Disparities  
11. E/M Documentation Guidelines  
12. Ensuring Access to General Surgery  
13. Global surgical services  
14. GME Reform  
15. Interoperability  
16. Independent Payment Advisory Board  
17. Joint contract negotiations of providers:  
18. Malpractice RVUs  
19. Medicaid Reform  
20. Medical Liability Reform  
21. Medicare Reform  
22. Mergers  
23. MIPS  
24. Misvalued Codes  
25. MOC  
26. Negotiating with Out of Network Payors  
27. Opioids  
28. Performance Measurement/PROs  
29. Physician Owned Hospitals  
30. Prescription Drug Pricing  
31. Primary Care Physician Payment Increases  
32. Private Contracting  
33. Reauthorization of CHIP  
34. Scope of Practice/Definition of Surgery  
35. Sequestration  
36. Stark/Anti-Kickback  
37. Stop the Bleed  
38. Telemedicine  
39. Third Party Payors  
40. UEVHPA (Uniform Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioners Act)  
41. VA  
42. Videotaping Operations
Advocacy and Health Policy

Top Advocacy Issues for 2018

- Medicare Physician Payment
  - MIPS
  - APMs
- Global Surgical Payments
- Efforts by Primary Care Physicians for Medicare Pay Increase at the expense of surgeon payments
- Administrative Burdens and Regulations
- Burnout
- Workforce
- Interoperability
- E/M Documentation Guidelines
State Affairs

ACS State Affairs provides resources to help inform Fellows and Chapters about current issues in state legislatures and how to advocate for surgeons in their state. They include:

- State Legislation Tracking
- Chapter Lobby Day Grant Program
- ACS State Legislative Priorities
- State Advocacy Representative (StAR) Councilor Program
- Ellenberger Award for Excellence in State Advocacy
- State Affairs Staff
Congressional Accountability

Elected officials are motivated by two things:

1. The people who vote for and communicate with them
   ACSPA-SurgeonsVoice
   www.surgeonsvoice.org

2. The people who contribute to their campaigns
   ACSPA-SurgeonsPAC
   www.surgeonspac.org
SurgeonsVoice is the College’s nationwide, interactive grassroots advocacy program that provides surgeons with the tools to strengthen its impact in Congress and around the country.
ACSPA-SurgeonsPAC

Surgery's voice at the federal level starts with ACSPA-SurgeonsPAC!

Learn about the College's political advocacy efforts, stay up to date on the latest SurgeonsPAC activities, and find out how you can get more involved and make an impact.

Support SurgeonsPAC

Invest in your patients and profession by making a contribution to SurgeonsPAC today.

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Learn More

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SurgeonsVoice

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ACS Website: facs.org
The **Bulletin** is the monthly member magazine and publication of record for the ACS

- Each month, the **Bulletin** publishes feature stories on a range of topics, from health policy and advocacy to ethics, and from the history of surgery to the latest innovations in technology.

- Comprises a number of columns, including Dr. Hoyt’s monthly report to the members, “Looking forward.”

- Publishes College news section and official statements from the ACS.

- Now offered in an interactive version online
ACS Newsletters

ACS offers a range of newsletters to address the interests of all members.
The Journal of the American College of Surgeons (JACS)

- Official scientific publication of ACS
- Available online at journalacs.org
- ACS membership includes free subscription to JACS
- JACS offers CME program available to all ACS members
ACS on Social Media

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Twitter
LinkedIn

ACS Communities
Welcome to ACS Communities

Welcome
Build community and connect with your colleagues.
Enter a place for knowledge exchange, content curation, idea incubation and professional networking.

Latest Discussions
Child care at the ACS Clinical Congress
By: Javene M. Bashe, MD, FACS
14 minutes ago
Posted by: Women Surgeons
I have been following the discussions around child care at the ACS Clinical Congress — both pro and con. I am a Regent and the current Chair of the...

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RE: the alphabet language and the future of the...
By: Philip M. Ceppa, MD, FACS
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Posted by: General Surgery

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