



International Trauma Life Support Board of Directors Candidate - 2021

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ITLS Chapter: Alberta, Canada

Occupation: Physician

(1) Describe prior involvement with your ITLS Chapter(s):

I have extensively promoted ITLS throughout Canada and Southern Africa as well as other parts of the world. I have also been involved in campaigning for and delivering out of Chapter and International ITLS Courses.

2020 – present	Medical Director ITLS Alberta Chapter Canada
2015 - 2020	Co-Medical Director ITLS Alberta Chapter Canada
2015 - present	Advisory Committee member ITLS Alberta Chapter Canada
2012 - present	Instructor ITLS Alberta Chapter Canada
2003 – 2012	Medical Director ITLS Southern Africa Chapter
2001 - 2003	Affiliate Faculty member of BTLS Southern Africa Chapter
2001 - 2012	Advisory Committee member BTLS / ITLS Southern Africa Chapter
2001	Founder member of BTLS Southern Africa

(2) Describe your prior involvement with ITLS (committees, etc):

2020 – present	Co-Chair: Chapter/Training Center Development & Support Committee
2020 – present	Chair: ITLS Bylaws Committee
2015 - 2020	Co-Medical Director ITLS Alberta Chapter Canada
2015 - present	Advisory Committee member ITLS Alberta Chapter Canada
2008 – 2015	Member of the ITLS Board of Directors
2014 – 2015	Chair of the Chapter/Training Centre support committee ITLS
2013 – 2014	Member of the Nominating committee ITLS
2013	Leader Strategic Partnerships Task Force ITLS
2012	Member of Global Connections Task Force ITLS
2010-2011	Chair of the Nominating Committee ITLS
2009 - 2015	Member of the Communications Committee ITLS
2009	Member of the Pediatric Task Force Editorial Board ITLS
2008 – 2020	Member of the Global Development Committee ITLS
2003 – 2012	Medical Director ITLS Southern Africa
2001 – 2003	Affiliate Faculty member of BTLS Southern Africa
2001 - 2003	Chapter Advisory Committee member BTLS Southern Africa
2001	Founder member of BTLS Chapter Southern Africa
2001 – Present	Instructor and Course Medical Director ITLS courses

(3) What other volunteer or leadership activities have you been involved with?

- Community based AHA CPR and AED programs
- Prevention of Heart Attack and Stroke programs
- BLS (Basic Life Support) programs (Instructor and Medical Director)
- ACLS (Advanced Cardiac Life Support) program (Instructor and Medical Director)
- ACLS-EP (Advanced Cardiac Life Support for Experienced Providers) program (Instructor and Medical Director)
- PALS (Pediatric Advanced Life Support) program (Instructor and Medical Director)
- ATLS (Advanced Trauma Life Support) (Instructor)

- APLS (Advanced Pediatric Life Support) (Advanced Life Support Group) (Instructor)
- MIMMS (Major Incident Medical Management and Support) (Instructor)
- HMIMMS (Hospital Major Incident Medical Management and Support) (Instructor)

(4) Describe any previous or current experiences on other Boards:

- Member of the Search and Selection Committee Central Zone Alberta, Canada
- Member of the Executive Committee of the Resuscitation Council of Southern Africa
- Member of the Advanced Life Support Committee of the Resuscitation Council of Southern Africa
- Member of the Basic Life Support Committee of the Resuscitation Council of Southern Africa
- Regional Representative of the Resuscitation Council of Southern Africa
- Member of the Curriculum Committee of the Faculty of Medicine, University of the Free State, Bloemfontein South Africa
- Member of the Executive Committee (Hospital Board) and management team of the Rosepark Hospital, Bloemfontein South Africa
- Member of the Executive Committee of the Free State Region of the South African Medical Association

**(5) Can you regularly attend Board meetings? YES
Regular meeting conflicts? NO**

(6) How many hours per month could you contribute?

I am proud and willing to participate according to the requirements of the Board.

(7) Why are you interested in serving on the ITLS Board?

- Having served on the ITLS Board of Directors previously for 7 years and working together with colleagues in an international forum has been a personally treasured experience and has provided me a host of growth and educational opportunities. Continuing to serve on the Board will allow me the opportunity to extend my contribution to initiatives and projects focused on the expansion of the global footprint of ITLS with the specific aim of improving trauma care across the world.
- To capitalize on my international exposure to several ITLS chapters and committees and their development and to extend my commitment to training and mentorship
- To enhance my contribution by advising, fostering and nurturing according to the specific needs of emerging chapters
- To actualize and complement my own passion for work in the field of trauma
- To be part of international development initiatives with ITLS to enhance instruction and facilitate focused learning of appropriate treatment and response
- To enhance my own understanding of international processes that review, broaden and develop healthcare professions involved in the treatment of trauma
- To establish and benchmark best practices by interaction with an international forum
- To share my experiences of trauma management in different parts of the world.
- To develop and broaden the instruction processes at ITLS courses that I facilitate

- My understanding of the mission of ITLS is to promote a universal commitment to enhance life saving skills by ensuring the best possible level of education and care across all levels that work in responding to and treating trauma. This would require that making a difference in the life of one is the commitment of all.

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