



Beste AIGT (i.o.),

Heb je behoefte om je horizon te verbreden, ben je in staat om wetenschappelijke onderzoeksprojecten op te zetten? Dan is wellicht het bilaterale COWO (commissie orthopedie en wetenschap overzee) -project iets voor jou. Binnen de Nederlandse vereniging van Orthopedie en de Werkgroep Orthopedie Overzee bestaan nog weinig initiatieven voor wetenschap in LMIC. Wij zijn van mening dat dit een van de manieren is om de zorg daar verder te helpen ontwikkelen. Het doel is juist om te helpen bij vragen vanuit het lokale veld (lokale professionals, AIGT'ers en evt andere zorgprofessionals, mits lokaal aangestuurde onderzoeksvragen). Wij willen er zijn voor deze lokale initiatieven, hierbij helpen en mensen enthousiasmeren tot het doen van onderzoek binnen de traumatologie en orthopedie in LMIC. Maar het moet niet opgelegde commissie worden vanuit 'het noorden'.

Indien jij of een van je collega's interesse hebt in het doen van onderzoek of je hebt vragen, neem dan contact op met Freek Hollman en Niels Jansen door een mail te sturen naar niels_jig_jans@hotmail.com.

Wij kijken uit naar jouw bericht.

Scientific Orthopaedic Collaboration Overseas

As part of the Dutch Orthopaedics Overseas association the task force *Scientific Orthopaedic Collaboration Overseas* is initiated by the end of 2020 and is represented by international orientated orthopaedic surgeons and tropical medicine and global health doctors. It is compiled to stimulate and improve collaboration with low- and middle-income countries (LMIC) regarding locally initiated scientific work on orthopedic and trauma related topics. From this task force it is strongly believed that research, if locally initiated, contributes to the development of health care in LMIC. Therefore, it is aimed to facilitate local initiatives and encourage orthopedic and trauma related research in LMIC and is emphatically not composed of an imposed network from European countries. Presently, since this task force has been formed quite recently, most effort is focused on creating a network and orienting on potential projects, existing research initiatives and motivated, enthusiastic colleagues that connect with the philosophy of *this Scientific Orthopaedic Collaboration Overseas*.

Main goals:

- Create an up-to-date list of orthopedic and trauma research lines in LMIC
- Act as an advisory panel
- Stimulate bilateral learning
- Stimulate funding of local research lines
- Creating a code of conduct for doing research in LMIC as western researcher

Who are we looking for?

- Are you currently involved or interested in participating in orthopedic or trauma related research in LMIC?
- Do you have any unresolved research questions concerning orthopedic or trauma related topics, though, you need help with conducting your project?

If any of the above questions answers with yes, feel free to contact us and will see if we can collaborate.

Kind regards,

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