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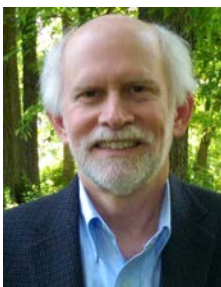


Mack Cheney, MD

Executive Director of the Kletjian Foundation

Dr. Mack Cheney is the Executive Director of the Kletjian Foundation. Utilizing a multidisciplinary approach to solve patients' complex otolaryngologic problems, he guided the establishment of the facial nerve clinic and the free flap clinic at Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary (MEEI). As an educator, he has inspired fellows to careers in academic otolaryngology, in addition to teaching, lecturing, and authoring a textbook on facial surgery.

In 1999, Dr. Cheney first began accompanying cleft lip and palate missions and incorporated the program into the residency program at MEEI. Participating as a surgeon, organizer, and teacher, he initiated a microtia program, which now carries out annual trips to Ecuador, Peru, Guatemala, and Vietnam, to create ears for those born without them. His experiences in the field and as an educator have led to him to his current role: guiding the development of academic surgical programs in underserved countries to encourage local growth and leadership.



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Medical University at Moscow. Dr. Devkota has more than 20 years of work experience in different hospitals of Nepal as a government employer. He also served in remote areas of Nepal, where he conducted several health camps and surgical procedures. Since a couple of years, he is working in the Ministry of Health and Population as Planning Chief. He is engaged in the process of revision of national health policy for long term health plans contributing to the specialized and quality health service for the marginalized people of his country.



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In addition to the aforementioned titles, he is also the Vice President of Vietnam Young Health Professional Association Expert, General Affair division, Cabinet Office in the Ministry of Health and a senior research scientist at Health Strategy and Policy Institute, Ministry of Health and the Institute of Population, Health and Development. Within the academic field, he devotes his time as the Adjunct Associate Professor in Department of Quantitative Health Sciences at the University of Massachusetts and the Adjunct Lecturer at Hanoi School of Public Health, National Institute of Nutrition and Hanoi Medical University in Hanoi, Vietnam.



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Dr. Inaam Ul Haq is a Program Leader for Human Development (Health Nutrition and Population, Education and Social Protection) in the Africa region of the World Bank. He is based in Tanzania with the Country Management Unit covering Tanzania, Burundi, Malawi, and Somalia. Dr. Haq is a public health physician with experience in the field of development, public health, and health systems management. As a Program Leader, he leads the policy dialogue and facilitates setting direction for three sectors

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Dr. Kyi Hlaing is an attending Neurosurgeon at North Okkalapa General Hospital, currently works as a clinical professor at the University of Medicine, Yangon, Myanmar. Dr. Hlaing completed his bachelor and master degrees from the University of Medicine, Yangon. He has finished his neurosurgical residency in Yangon General Hospital. One of his research interests is traumatic brain injury, and he is also engaged in the development of emergency neurosurgical centers in the big cities of Myanmar.



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Dr. Sk Nazmul Huda is the Global Program Manager, Fistula Care Plus Project, EngenderHealth Inc. and the Country Program Manager, EngenderHealth Bangladesh Office. He has twenty five years of progressive experience in Public Health Program Management and Research. Being appointed by GAVI Alliance, he was the special adviser to the Health Minister of Bangladesh from 2013 to 2014. He was an adviser to Noble Laureate Prof. Md. Yunus of Grameen Bank before joining GAVI Alliance. He was the Principal Investigator for the WHO sponsored National Survey on Surgery, Obstetrics and Anesthesia Capacity in Bangladesh. Dr. Huda did his MBBS and M.Phil from Dhaka University, Diploma in Epidemiology from Imperial College UK, Diploma in Nutrition from University of Philippines, and Ph.D. in Public Health Sciences from University of Alberta, Canada. He is the Secretary of the South Asian Group on Fistula and related disorders.



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Geoff Ibbotson is a specialist general surgeon, currently serving as a senior consultant for the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and building a Geneva-based platform for Global Surgery. He studied medicine at the University of Toronto and did his surgical training at the University of Calgary. A fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and the American College of Surgeons, he holds academic appointments at both the University of Calgary and University of Alberta. He previously served as the Director of Trauma for North West Alberta and as the Chair of the Alberta Provincial Trauma Committee.

Dr. Ibbotson has experience as a frontline surgeon and disaster management leader in the countries of Nepal, Afghanistan, Indonesia, Pakistan, and Kenya.



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Joe is a Research Assistant at the PGSSC for the Safe Surgery 2020 Initiative. He holds a MSc in Global Health from Duke University and a BS in Biochemistry from Elon University. His interests include access to health services, strengthening healthcare systems, and healthcare economics and policy in low-resource settings. His research interests are specifically focused on the development of health care systems that prioritize high-quality and accessible care, through which he has looked at through the lens of global surgery. Joe has work experience in Ghana, Uganda, Ethiopia, Tanzania, Cambodia, and Laos. He plans on pursuing a career in health policy and governance where he can inform and implement health policy on both a domestic and global scale.



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Dr. Rooney Jagilly is one of four General Surgeons working for the Solomon Islands Government. He graduated with a MBBS from the University of Papua New Guinea in 1989. He worked in rural hospitals before doing postgraduate studies in Surgery. He graduated with a Masters in Medicine (Surgery) from the university of Papua New Guinea in 2002. He has been working as a General Surgeon at the National Referral Hospital in Honiara Solomon Islands since 2003 to present. He was also Medical Superintendent of the National Referral Hospital from 2013 to 2017.



Walter Johnson, MD, MPH, MBA

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Dr. Walter Johnson has worked part-time at WHO since 2012, joining WHO full time in 2015. His primary responsibility is fulfilling the mandates of WHA Resolution 68.15 on strengthening emergency and essential surgical care and anesthesia as a component of universal health coverage. Dr. Johnson completed his medical degree at Loma Linda University in California, holds a Masters degree in Business Administration from the Peter F. Drucker and Masatoshi Ito School of Management at Claremont Graduate University in California, and a Masters in Public Health from that same institution.



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Desmond T. Jumbam, MScGH is a health policy analyst with the Program in Global Surgery and Social Change at Harvard Medical School. Desmond co- led the development of the National Surgical, Obstetric and Anaesthesia Plan in Tanzania. He has advised several countries on the development and implementation of NSOAPs including Zimbabwe, Pakistan, Namibia, and

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Dr. Bhagawan Koirala graduated from Kharkiv National Medical University, Ukraine in 1989 and finished his post-graduation from National Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases, Dhaka University in 1994. Dr. Koirala completed his fellowship in cardiac surgery at Baystate Medical Center, Massachusetts and later at the Hospital for Sick Children (University of Toronto), Canada in 2000. Dr. Koirala is known for pioneering the Open-Heart Surgery Program in Nepal since 1997. He also led the Nepal's first Heart hospital (Shahid Gangalal National Heart Center) as the Executive Director and so far, has performed over 10,000 cardiovascular surgeries personally or directly supervised the surgeries. He started the "Poor Patients Relief Program" in 2003 which provides free heart care including surgery to children under 15, the senior citizens above 75 years and the needy. Apart from serving as the executive director at the two national heart centers (Shahid Gangalal National Heart Center and Manmohan Cardiothoracic Vascular and Transplant Center), Executive Director of Tribhuvan University Teaching Hospital, Dr. Koirala has also served as the Executive Vice-Chair of Health Profession Education (HPE) Commission, formed by the government of Nepal to draft an HPE bill. He has also served as a member of Policy Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Health of Nepal and facilitated the inclusion of non-communicable diseases as policy agenda in the national health policy. Dr. Koirala is credited not

only for pioneering open-heart surgery in Nepal, but also for giving hopes to the poor people from child to the elderly with subsidized cardiothoracic surgical treatment. He believes that "No child of this country shall die of heart disease just because of poverty." Currently, he holds a position of Head of Department of Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery at the Institute of Medicine, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu and also serves as a national Co-chair of Nepal NCDI Poverty commission.



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Marissa leads the health portfolio for the UBS Optimus Foundation. The Foundation focuses on programs with the potential to be transformative, scalable and sustainable in the areas of child health, education and protection. In her role, Marissa rigorously selects and actively supports programs run by entrepreneurs that use new approaches and technologies to solve problems that prevent children from surviving and thriving. Prior to UBS Marissa spent over 10 years at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), where she most recently served as the Innovation Team Leader in the Global Health Center for Innovation and Impact.



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Nareth Ly is the Senior Health Specialist at the World Bank Cambodia Office working for projects that aim to improve accessibility, equity, and quality of health service delivery, and to strengthen ownership and accountability of the public health system with the specific focus on improving reproductive, maternal, newborn, child health and nutrition, and non-communicable diseases. She led polio eradication, initiated maternal and neonatal tetanus elimination, and measles elimination in Cambodia. Nareth received her Medical Degree at the University of Health Sciences in Cambodia and her Master Degree on Public Health from the University of Queensland in Australia.



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Shiva Murugasampillay, MBBS, MSc

Public Health Physician & Health System and Disease Control and Elimination Specialist

A veteran global public health medical specialist of 40 years, he has expertise and experience as a clinician in district and provincial hospitals and as a public health physician in development of public health and disease control and elimination projects, programs and health system in districts, provinces and national level in Zimbabwe, Southern African Development Community and all three levels of the World Health Organization. Currently, he is Co-Director Global Public Health, independently advising and supporting public, faith based, not for profit and private organizations in strengthening public health system and disease control programs structures, capacity and systems for renewal of Primary Health Care towards the Africa Agenda 2063 and SDG3 2030.



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Dr. Sonal Nagra is a General and Endocrine Surgeon and also the Senior Lecturer in Rural Surgery at Deakin. He is involved in the supervision and training of junior medical staff at University Hospital Geelong where he has an appointment as a VMO. He has an interest in Research and is involved in projects both locally, regionally and internationally. He has a strong Global Health interest particularly in the Pacific through efforts in improving research, education and enhancing surgical services. His research aspirations focus on improving surgical services in LMICs, Emergency Laparotomies and Unplanned Returns to Theatre. Sonal was also fortunate to represent Fiji as a National Squash Representative for over 10 years playing at various international competitions including the Commonwealth Games in 2006.



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Mr. Nguyen is the Regional Vice President for Development of Operation Smile in Asia Pacific and also the Country Representative for Operation Smile Inc. in Vietnam. Mr. Nguyen earned his B.A in economics from the Foreign Trade University with 18 years of experiences serving Operation Smile in different positions and capacities. In his career, he has helped developed extensive programs for Operation Smile, recruited the in country volunteer base, managed medical volunteer engagement along with sustainable programs and recently provided critical leadership in designing appropriate fundraising strategies for local and international

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During her former hospital career, she was Chairperson of the Rehabilitation Medicine Department of the Faculty of Medical Sciences and key person of Rehabilitation Medicine and as an Educational Administrator, she was a lecturer and trainer for medical students and physical therapy students. At the Mahosot Hospital, she was the Chief of Physical therapy Service and trainer for Physical therapy students in collaboration with Handicap International. She is a practitioner and trainer for acupuncture.



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Mr. Sushil Nath Pyakuryel started his government job in 1980 as an X-Ray technician and worked as a Medical Superintendent from 1989 to 1993 in different districts of Nepal. From 1993 to 2013, he worked as a district health officer in various district of Nepal as chief of the health facility. From 2013 to 2018, he worked as a Regional Health Director in three regions of Nepal. He is a Chief Specialist in the Ministry of Health and Population

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Teri Reynolds, MD, MS, PhD

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Dr. Teri Reynolds, a citizen of the United States, completed her MD, MS in Global Health Sciences, and fellowship in Emergency Ultrasound at the University of California, San Francisco; emergency medicine specialisation at Highland Hospital in Oakland, California; and PhD in Literature at Columbia University in New York. She was Associate Professor and Director of Global Health for the Department of Emergency Medicine, University of California, San Francisco, and directed the Emergency Medicine Residency and research programmes at Muhimbili National Hospital in the United Republic of Tanzania. As chair of the African Federation for Emergency Medicine (AFEM) Scientific Committee, she developed the AFEM Emergency Care Curriculum and the AFEM regional Trauma Data Project. Dr. Reynolds, who has served previously as both consultant and staff Technical Officer at WHO, joined the WHO Department for Management of Noncommunicable Diseases, Disability, Violence and Injury Prevention (NVI) in May 2015 to lead the emergency and trauma care programme. The programme focus is the strengthening of integrated emergency care systems to address a range of acute illness and injury. Current initiatives include the WHO Emergency Care Systems Framework, the Emergency and Trauma Care Systems Assessment Tool, the Basic Emergency Care Course, the Trauma Care Checklist, and the Minimum Data Set for Injury. Dr. Reynolds also coordinates the Global Alliance for Care of the Injured.



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After a fulfilling career in academic medicine in three continents, he shifted his focus to Global Health, and has been an articulate advocate for reproductive health and rights for over two decades. He is strongly committed to community health, reproductive health, and actively participated in all the definitive global and regional reproductive health conferences of our time: Safe Motherhood (Nairobi, 1987), ICPD (Cairo, 1994), Beijing (1995) and Safe Motherhood plus 10 (Colombo, 1999). He served as a consultant to all major international development agencies. He previously served on the FIGO Committee on Women's Sexual and Reproductive Right and represented KOGS in the FIGO Postgraduate Studies Committee at the Singapore Congress. As Ipas Vice President for Africa and Global Affairs (1998-2000), he introduced MVA in Africa against formidable forces and built scale up program to implement Ipas's regional and global strategic vision to promote women's reproductive health and rights.



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Lauri Romanzi is the Project Director of the Fistula Care Plus project. Dr. Romanzi is a U.S.- trained gynecologist with sub-specialty board certification in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery (FPMRS). Having joined Fistula Care Plus in April 2015, she appreciates the value and challenge of shared vision in the context of change.



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Chief Consultant Urological Surgeon at King Faisal Hospital/OSHEN, Kigali, Rwanda; Clinical Professor of Urology at the University of Rwanda and urology residency promotor and current director. He was Ambassador of the Republic of Rwanda to Japan in 2005 to 2009; Chairman of Rwanda Medical and Dental Council (2012 - 2016); Vice-Chancellor of the National University of Rwanda (1998 – 2004); team leader of the Rwanda National Surgical, Anesthesia, and Obstetrics Plan (NSAOP) on behalf of the Ministry of Health and the Rwanda Surgical

particularly Infection Prevention Control, Antimicrobial resistance (AMR), Antimicrobial Stewardship (AMS), Clinical Practice Guidelines to implement within national and sub national levels of health system in Cambodia.



Swati Sharma, MBA

Senior Program Manager, Dalberg Global Development Advisors

Swati Sharma is a Sr. Program Manager at Dalberg Global Development Advisors, currently managing the expansion of the Safe Surgery 2020 program in Southeast Asia. She has received her MBA from INSEAD and has experience in project management and sustainability strategy across three geographies, being Asia, Africa, and Europe. Prior to Dalberg, she has worked with development organisations such as the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) and the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) engaging corporates and governments, respectively, to launch programs which support sustainable growth of their priority sectors with maximum social and environmental impact. Swati is passionate about technology, innovation and sustainability and their role in the future of business and governance.



Dr. Syed Shershah, MBBS, DORCPI, FRCOG

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Dr. Shershah Syed, Consultant Obstetrician & Gynecologist, graduated in 1979 from Dow Medical College, Karachi, trained in obstetrics & gynaecology in Ireland and received his fellowship from Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynaecology London. From 1990-2011, he worked as Associate Professor and Head of the OBGYN Department at Sobhraj Hospital and Sindh Government Qatar Hospital Karachi. He has remained elected as Honorary Secretary General of Pakistan Medical Association (PMA) for six years and President of Society of Obstetrician & Gynecologists of Pakistan (SOGP) for four years. He is also an Elected Member of Pakistan Medical & Dental Council (PMDC). Dr. Shershah is a human right activist and his special interest is in women right issues & violence against the girl child. He closely works with NGOs like Women Front, Amnesty International, Aurat Foundation, Gawahi, and War Against Rape. He has also been worked on Maternal and Child Health issues in collaboration with UNICEF, USAID and UNFPA as well as local NGOs like Aahung, HANDS, Packard Foundation, Taraquee Foundation, etc. He also actively participated in emergency relief and medical aid services during disaster situations like Earthquake in Northern Areas of Pakistan in 2005 and flood disaster in 2010 and 2011. At present, he is the President of Pakistan National Forum on Women's Health (PNFWH). Currently under his leadership, various women's health related projects are in progress like Fistula Project (for prevention and treatment of genitourinary fistula), Nutrition Project (for improving nutritional status of infants, young child and pregnant women), and Tutors Training Program for Nurses and Midwives. In recognition of his services for women's reproductive health and rights, especially on maternal and child health issues, he was appreciated and rewarded by various international forums.



Haitham Shoman, MBBCh, MPH, DIC

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Haitham earned an MBBCh from Cairo's Ain Shams University, completed surgical rotations later DIC, MPH from Imperial College London. His global health experience includes health economics, health policy and health systems strengthening. He worked for European Commission's Joint Research Centre, WHO, and Cambridge University Hospitals. He commits to

using cost effective surgery for health systems development through education, innovation, outcomes-based research as a PGSSC fellow.



Chon Sinoun, MD

Deputy Director, Department of Hospital Services, Cambodia

Dr. Chon Sinoun, Deputy Director, Department of Hospital Services, graduated at the University of Health Science, Cambodia. Since 1994, she is in the position Chief of Quality Assurance Office, Hospital Services Department, Ministry of Health Cambodia. Since 2005, she was assigned and responsible for quality improvement, conducting Level 1 and Level 2 assessment in collaboration with URC. She coordinated and facilitated in many working group of developing CPA guidelines and Clinical Practice Guidelines. She has been in the National Surgical Safety Checklist Working Group which was coordinated and supported by the WHO in 2012. This checklist was introduced to apply at National and Referral Hospitals. To improve the quality of surgery, obstetric. And anesthesia, the checklist is included in the National Quality Enhancement Monitoring Tools which is currently implemented on a quarterly basis as quality assessment.



Rebecca Sliwoski, MS, MBA

Director of Strategy and Partnerships at the Kletjian Foundation

Rebecca Sliwoski is the Director of Strategy and Partnerships at the Kletjian Foundation, which advocates for universal access to safe, affordable surgical and anesthesia care and while also shifting the philanthropic needle towards integrated global health spending. Rebecca also runs an independent consulting business and serves on boards for international development organizations, public health firms, corporate foundations, and universities.

After receiving her degree in Behavioral Sciences from University of Michigan, Rebecca ran a community-based organization in Tanzania. Rebecca then attained her MBA/MS in Global Health Policy and Management from the Heller School at Brandeis University. Her role previous to the Kletjian Foundation was leading strategic communications and business development for a USAID/PEPFAR-funded social protection organization.



Christopher Strader, MD

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Chris is a General Surgery resident at University of Massachusetts in Worcester, Massachusetts. His previous global health experience includes

work with emergency medicine and diabetes education in the Democratic Republic of Congo. While with PGSSC, Chris is looking forward to becoming involved in projects focused on delivery of care and obstacles to delivering that care with a regional emphasis on Sub-Saharan Africa.



Claude Suréna, MD

*Member of the Cabinet of the Haitian Ministry of Health and the Population
Healthcare Advisor in the Office of the Prime Minister of Haiti*

Dr. Claude Suréna is a member of the cabinet of the Haitian Ministry of Health and the Population (MSPP), where he has held numerous positions throughout his career in public health. A pediatrician and neonatologist by training, he has consulted on several national projects, such as the Global Fund's HIV/AIDS control project. He has also served as president of the Haitian Medical Association. Following the earthquake of January 12, 2010, Dr. Suréna was appointed by the President of the Republic of Haiti as National Coordinator of the health sector's disaster response. He has been Chairman of the district 7020 Haiti Task Force of Rotary International and also Chairman of the Disaster Relief Committee for the same district. He is currently a Healthcare Advisor in the Office of the Prime Minister of Haiti and has served as Vice-President of the Haitian Red Cross. A former president of the Rotary Club of Pétion Ville, Haiti, Dr. Suréna has twice been honored as a Paul Harris Fellow of Rotary International.

Chiho Suzuki, MD

Senior Health Specialist, World Bank Zambia

Dr. Chiho Suzuki is a senior health specialist at the World Bank Zambia. Dr. Suzuki earned his Doctor of Philosophy in International Health and Development at Tulane University, a Masters in Public Health, specializing in International Health and Development at Tulane University.



Emi Suzuki, PhD

Demographer, World Bank

Emi Suzuki, Ph.D., is a Demographer at the World Bank with over 15 years of experience in the World Bank's demographic and health statistics. Her areas of interest are population, demography, health statistics, health SDGs, and global health monitoring. She currently leads the work to produce high-quality population and global health statistics in the World Development Indicators (WDI), World Bank's flagship statistical publication. Emi holds a PhD from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.



Akmal Taher, MD, PhD

*Senior Advisor to Minister of Health for Improvement Services, Ministry of Health, Republic of Indonesia
Chairman, Indonesian College of Urology*

Akmal Taher obtained his medical degree in 1980 from the University of Indonesia. After serving the compulsory duty at a community health center, he graduated as a urologist in 1988. He was a research fellow at the

Hannover Medical School and Institute for Peptide Research in Hannover from 1990 to 1992, and also obtained his Doktor Medikus and his PhD degree in 1993 on the same school. At present, he is the Special Advisor to the Minister of Health for Improvement Services of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Indonesia. In 2010-2015, he was the Director General of Health Care Services of the Ministry of Health Republic of Indonesia. In 2005-2010, he was the Director of Cipto Mangunkusumo National General Hospital, Jakarta, which is the main teaching hospital of the Faculty of Medicine University of Indonesia. Recently, in November 2017, he was elected as Chairman of Indonesian College of Urology.



Lord Viliami Tangi, MBBS, FRACS

Chief Surgeon Specialist, Vaiola Hospital, Tonga

Lord Tangi (Dr. Viliami Tangi) is currently the Chief Surgeon Specialist at Vaiola Hospital, the main referral hospital in Tonga. He is a Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (FRACS). Lord Tangi was appointed Minister for Health, Tonga in March 1999, a post he held for almost twelve years. He was appointed directly from the clinical settings. Lord Tangi was also the Deputy Prime Minister, Tonga from May 2006 to the end of 2010. For the last two years, he has been a member of the Privy Council of Tonga.



Noah Tapaua, MBBS, MMed(Surgery), Higher Dip. in Cardiothoracic Surgery

General and Cardiothoracic Surgeon, Port Moresby General Hospital, Papua New Guinea

Noah Tapaua is a consultant General and Cardiothoracic surgeon at the Port Moresby General Hospital in Papua New Guinea (PNG). He is also an honorary senior clinical lecturer at the University of Papua New Guinea School of Medicine & Health Sciences and the Surgical Coordinator at the Port Moresby General Hospital. He recently established the PNG National Permanent Pacemaker Implant program and working toward fully establishing a cardiothoracic service in his country. Dr. Tapaua is the chairman of the PNG Surgical, Obstetrics and Anaesthesia National Health Plan Policy working committee. He is a member for the PNG Surgeons Association, the PNG National Doctors Association and the Pacific Island Surgeons Association.



Ngoc Thang

Masters Student of Keough School of Global Affairs at the University of Notre Dame

Ngoc (Brian) Thang is currently a Master Student of Keough School of Global Affairs at the University of Notre Dame. He has spent one year (two months in Tanzania) working with PGSSC to develop a 20-page case study on the development of the NSOAP in Tanzania. Before coming to Notre Dame, he has worked in both the private and public sectors in Vietnam, focusing on economic policy initiatives for the Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He holds a bachelor's degree in economic law from Hanoi Law University in Hanoi, Vietnam.



H.E. Dr. Or Vandine, MD, MPH
Secretary of State for Health, Cambodia

Her Excellency Dr. Or Vandine first received a degree as a Primary Nurse (Nurse Practitioner) before pursuing her Medical Doctor degree in 1988 due to the immense need in Cambodia. She was opted to serve at the Provincial Hospital in Siem Reap, a province beset by Khmer Rouge and other insurgencies. In 1994, she became the first Cambodian woman to be awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to study at Yale University, USA, for the degree of Master of Public Health and in 2009, she received "Alumni Public Service Honor Roll Award" from this school.

In 1998, she was appointed as Chief of Cabinet for the Minister of Health, and Chief of the Communicable Disease Control Department (CDC) to be responsible for establishing this department for the Ministry of Health of Cambodia where previously non-existed. In 2003, following an assignment for WHO in the Western Pacific Region located in Manila, she was appointed to be Deputy Director of the CDC Department, where she became Manager, Principal Recipient of the Ministry of Health (PR-MoH) for the Global Fund Grants to Fight AIDS, TB, and Malaria (GFATM). In 2006, she was promoted to be Director of the Department of International Cooperation of the Ministry of Health. In November 2013, she was appointed as Director General for Health, and in January 2019 she was appointed Secretary of State for Health by the King of Cambodia.



Dominique Vervoort, MD
*Research Associate, Program in Global Surgery and Social Change,
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Dominique Vervoort obtained his MD at the KU Leuven in Belgium in 2018 and currently works as a Research Associate at the Program in Global Surgery and Social Change at Harvard Medical School where he focuses on National Surgical, Obstetric, and Anesthesia Planning in Pakistan. He introduced the field of global cardiac surgery to literature, dedicated to addressing the lack of access to safe and affordable cardiac surgical care for six billion people worldwide, and is currently working on the matter through health policy, health economics, and outcomes research.

Dominique is co-founder and Chair of InciSioN, uniting over 5,000 students and residents in Global Surgery in over 80 countries, and founder of the Global Cardiac Surgery organization. In July 2019, he is entering the MPH/MBA dual degree at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and the Johns Hopkins Carey Business School, after which he intends to pursue a career in paediatric cardiac surgery with a focus on strengthening cardiac surgical services in low- and middle-income countries.



Kathryn Wall, BA
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Kate Wall is the Program Coordinator for the Program in Global Surgery and Social Change at Harvard Medical School and Boston Children's Hospital.

She is interested in health policy development as it relates to surgical and health systems strengthening.



Susan Wardle, BA, Grad Dip Spec Ed, Grad Dip Bus (OD), MBA, GAICD

Executive General Manager, Partnerships of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons

Susan Wardle was appointed Executive General Manager, Partnerships of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in 2018. This portfolio develops and strengthens partnerships within the surgical community and the broader communities it serves. Functions include global health, conferences and events, communications and advocacy, and the foundation for surgery.

Susan has most recently provided consulting services in areas of strategy, communication, issues management, stakeholder relations and advocacy with health, membership and philanthropic organisations. Prior to this, Susan spent 10 years at Epworth HealthCare as Executive Director, Strategy, Marketing, and Business Development. Her earlier career includes leadership roles in public and private health, technology, energy, and education sectors.



Monique Wubbenhorst, MD, MPH

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Dr. Monique Chireau Wubbenhorst, MD, MPH, FACOG, FAHA, is currently Senior Advisor in Global Health at USAID in Washington DC. She received her MD from Brown University, her MPH from Harvard University, and did her residency in OB/GYN at Yale-New Haven Hospital, and her postdoctoral fellowship in health services research at UNC-Chapel Hill. She is a fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the American Heart Association. Dr. Chireau Wubbenhorst has been involved in patient care, teaching, research, and policy work in inner city locales, rural North Carolina, and Native American reservations in the US, as well as in Kazakhstan, Ghana, South Sudan, the Philippines, Nepal, Cameroon, India and South Sudan.



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Kanako is a Senior Health Specialist in the Health, Nutrition, and Population of the World Bank and is a Task Team Leader for Sri Lanka and Pakistan programs. She has over 20 years of experience in the health sector working with governments, NGOs, and the private sector in the health sector covering maternal and child health, HIV/AIDS, quality of care, community participation, and institutional capacity building in South Asia, East Asia, Southeast Asia, and Africa.