

“THE PANAMERICAN TRAUMA SOCIETY WELCOMES BACK THE PANAMANIAN TRAUMA SOCIETY TO THE FAMILY”



It is of great honor for the Panamerican Trauma Society to announce the welcoming back of the Panamanian Trauma Society.

During the first week of February 2012, delegates from the executive board of the Panamerican Trauma Society visited Panama City, with the purpose of renewing the affiliation between the Panamanian Trauma Society and the Panamerican Trauma Society.

The joint meeting was a great success. A welcome dinner was held upon arrival for the executive directors, where various Panamanian Trauma Society Members were present. The meeting initiated with welcoming words from Anastasio Amejeiras, president of the Panamanian Trauma Society, where the importance of renewing the participation of the Panamanian Trauma Society in the Panamerican Trauma Society was announced. Following this speech a typical Panamanian dinner was served and people greeted friends and other members they had not seen for a while.

After dinner the Panamerican Trauma Society's executive director Dr. Rao Ivatury spoke about the current mission of “Improving Trauma Care in the Americas”, the current problems encountered and the solutions found.



Afterwards Dr. Michel Aboutanos secretary treasurer stated the deliverables of the PTS and the new roles and responsibilities of the affiliated societies.

An agreement between the Panamerican Trauma Society and the Panamanian Trauma Society was signed, granting its members the advantages of:

1. Attendance and voting rights at the annual business meeting.
2. Participation in committees(s) and/or Board of Directors.
3. Providing information concerning its business dealings and/or transactions.
4. Providing active members of the Panamanian Trauma Society following benefits:

- Reduced Panamerican Trauma Society annual membership fee ,
 - Reduced registration fee at the Panamerican Trauma Society annual congress,
 - Reduced cost of registration for Panamerican Trauma Society courses,
 - Access on line to the “Panamerican Journal of Trauma, Critical Care, and Emergency Surgery”,
 - Access to the Panamerican Trauma Society newsletter,
 - Access on line to the Panamerican Trauma Society Website , library and resources,
 - Participation membership to Panamerican Trauma Society committees,
 - Opportunity to participate in international research initiatives,
 - Opportunity to participate in the trauma registry of the Panamerican Trauma society.
5. Provide proof of membership to active members of the Panamerican Trauma Society.
 6. Provide a copy of the by-laws and any amendments to the Panamerican Trauma Society.
 7. Extend any present any future benefits that arise as a consequence of membership in the Panamerican Trauma Society.



Similarly the Panamanian Trauma Society promised to disseminate to individual members of the Panamanian Trauma Society:

1. Information concerning the annual meeting, committee progress reports and business proceedings of the Panamerican Trauma Society
2. The proof of membership document of the Panamerican Trauma Society
3. Provide specific enrollment information required by the Panamerican Trauma Society for each newly elected member.
4. Collect and submit to the Panamerican Trauma Society annual dues in the amount of \$ 35.00 dollars for each member of its respective local society.
5. Designate a representative as a liaison to the Panamerican Trauma Society who will be responsible for maintaining communication between both societies through the Membership Chairman/President of the Panamanian Trauma Society and the Secretary-Treasurer of the Panamerican Trauma Society.