As world leader in musculoskeletal care, Hospital for Special Surgery (HSS) brings cutting-edge knowledge, ideas, and information to the global community. With more than 150 years of focus, a mission to educate, and a culture of collaboration, HSS is positioned to grow. **Stand with HSS for world leadership in musculoskeletal health—We invite you to explore our programs.**

### Sharing Knowledge with the World

Our advances know no boundaries. As leaders in our field across the spectrum of patient care, teaching, research, and innovation—we will extend the knowledge created as a result of what we do—to organizations and geographies across the globe.

The patient is at the center of everything HSS does, which contributes to the results we have achieved. HSS sits also on the foundation of being an academic medical center, which has propelled us to be accepted as a leader in our field. As we continue to evolve and share our expertise, the HSS geographic footprint grows with new products and services, and greater impact across the world.

HSS is in a unique position, to demonstrate that as an independent organization with a specialized focus in musculoskeletal health we can deliver the highest value care. Our contributions—innovations in life sciences, which include drugs and devices, and innovations in care delivery—represent transformational change for musculoskeletal healthcare.

We’re excited about leveraging the knowledge derived from all we do at HSS and sharing it with the world.

**Louis A. Shapiro**  
President and CEO

### A Patient-Centered Culture

Every day orthopaedic surgeons improve the lives of countless people. To deliver even better care, however, we need to collaborate in a variety of ways. Sharing our collective knowledge is the best way to advance the field—and provide the highest quality care for patients.

In an era of hospital mergers and acquisitions, independence enables HSS to maintain its focus on advancing patient care—within its walls and beyond. This unique concentration encourages collaboration among our physicians and scientists, which advances the field.

Our relentless focus on improving care delivery benefits patients, who have fewer infections, complications, and readmissions than those at other leading hospitals. Our commitment to clinical pathways has helped to eliminate variability and reduce risk in patient care.

To help raise this standard of care around the world, we are exploring collaborations with pioneers in other countries. And we are increasing our support to hospitals domestically and abroad that seek to adopt our best practices.

We will work together to consistently deliver high-value care to patients, and return patients to function reliably and efficiently.

**Todd J. Albert, MD**  
Surgeon-in-Chief and Medical Director  
Korein-Wilson Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery
Global Leaders in Orthopaedic Care

Raising the Standard of Care Together

Hospital for Special Surgery aligns with leading orthopaedic care providers from around the world to improve patient outcomes and organizational performance, elevating the standard of musculoskeletal care.

“HSS sees how healthcare is delivered in a different environment. When you see how one system is modified to improve efficiency and quality, it makes you take another good look at your own processes and how you can improve them.”

—Mathias P. Bostrom, MD
Vice Chair, Education & Academic Affairs

International Society of Orthopaedic Centers

Founded in 2006 by Thomas P. Sculco, MD, Surgeon-in-Chief Emeritus at HSS, the International Society of Orthopaedic Centers (ISOC) facilitates the exchange of ideas and best practices among the premier specialty orthopaedic centers in the world and collaborates on patient care, education, and research-based programs. Today ISOC has 21 centers on six continents. Member institutions gather every 18 months in a host country to share experiences, present cutting-edge research, and discuss current issues facing the field. This November, ISOC will meet at Mater Hospital in North Sydney, Australia for its 8th conference. “Meeting regularly allows us to share knowledge and expertise with one another,” says Dr. Sculco. “ISOC has grown stronger over the years, and I believe it will continue to make important contributions globally for orthopaedic care.”

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—Fernando M. Pedro, MD
Executive Director
Hospital Alvorada

Hospital Alvorada

Hospital Alvorada, a general hospital in São Paulo, Brazil became the second member of HSS Global Orthopaedic Alliance in 2015. As a result of its collaboration with HSS, Hospital Alvorada transformed its orthopaedic care delivery over two years by learning how to optimize its data collection and analyses, and adopting HSS management tools to measure processes and outcomes. “Financially, we have seen an increase in our surgeries, OR revenues, and resources optimization,” says Fernando M. Pedro, MD, Executive Director of Hospital Alvorada. “Clinically, we have reduced our surgical infection rate and have created more clinical protocols. The partnership with HSS has taken Alvorada to another level of excellence.”

Ronald Perez, JD, MSN; Fernando M. Pedro, MD; and Seth A. Jerabek, MD, collaborate on health care delivery during a site visit to Hospital Alvorada in São Paulo, Brazil.
Foundation of Orthopedics and Complex Spine

The Foundation of Orthopedics and Complex Spine (FOCOS) was established in 1998 by Oheneba Boachie-Adjei, MD, Chief Emeritus of the Scoliosis Service at HSS, to deliver state-of-the-art musculoskeletal care and education in Accra, Ghana. The FOCOS Hospital officially opened in 2012. Since the inception of FOCOS, HSS team members have treated thousands of patients in Ghana; in 2014, the FOCOS Hospital became an official international affiliate of HSS. This June, nine HSS staff provided a week of humanitarian service at the FOCOS Hospital.

HSS-China Orthopaedic Education Exchange

This program provides a unique opportunity for Chinese orthopaedic surgeons and trainees to participate in structured observational programs at Hospital for Special Surgery for surgical and clinical care, educational programs through live video conferencing, and annual symposia held in China. Since its launch in 2013, more than 30 participants completed the observation program, and continue networking with HSS as members of the HSS-China Club. This group currently comprises over 100 members and includes those who have visited from China through the junior faculty observation program, the research program, and the academic visitor program. In May, in partnership with the Chinese Association of Orthopaedic Surgeons, HSS conducted cadaveric training in Guangzhou, China with over 3,000 participating surgeons.

Bumin Hospital Group

Bumin Hospital Group (BHG), a leading orthopaedic specialty hospital group in South Korea, became the inaugural member of HSS Global Orthopaedic Alliance in 2015. BHG operates four hospitals and performs approximately 12,000 joint surgeries, and 8,000 spine surgeries yearly. By collaborating with HSS, BHG refined its clinical pathways for major surgical procedures to use an interdisciplinary care model. “It was fascinating to see at HSS that every stakeholder is involved in patient care, so surgeons, nurses, and physical therapists all work together to provide the best care,” says Hung Tae Chung, MD, Chairman of Bumin Hospital Group.

“One of the best aspects among many of HSS is the interdisciplinary care model. It was fascinating to see that every stakeholder is involved in patient care, so surgeons, nurses, and physical therapists all work together to provide the best care.”

—Hung Tae Chung, MD
Chairman, Bumin Hospital Group

Surgeons from Greece find value in participation in Bioskills Education Laboratory (BSEL) sessions during HSS Stavros Niarchos Foundation Orthopaedic Education Programs.

Chang Soo Lee, MD; Todd J. Albert, MD; and Hung Tae Chung, MD, discuss initiatives during a visit to HSS by Bumin Hospital Group.
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“Our mission within the HSS International Advisory Council is to create global awareness and enhance international relationship building around the world.”

—David H. McCormick
HSS International Advisory Council Chair
Co-CEO, Bridgewater Associates

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