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TO: International Governors and Chapter Officers of the American College of Surgeons
Esteemed Doctors:

Since 1968, the American College of Surgeons has offered **International C Scholarships** to competent young surgeons from countries other than the United States, Possessions or Canada who have demonstrated strong interests and accomplishments in teaching and research. Applications are now being accepted for **International C Scholarships for the year 2012**. The deadline for receipt of scholarship applications and all supporting documents is **1 July 2011**.

Each Scholarship offers a stipend of \$8,000 US, participation in the Clinical Congress and the expectation of visits to several North American clinical and research sites of the Scholar's choice. A mentor will be assigned to assist the Scholar in planning his/her to

I seek your cooperation in publicizing the availability of the International C Scholarships. The International Relations Committee of the College has requested that the requirements for the International Guest Scholarships be widely distributed. This goal can be effectively accomplished by sharing the information about the program requirements

Scholarship requirements and the online application form may be accessed from the following URLs:

<http://www.facs.org/memberservices/igs.html> (English)

<http://www.facs.org/memberservices/igsespanol.html> (Spanish)

<http://www.facs.org/memberservices/igsfrançais.html> (French)

All scholarship applications and additional materials must be submitted in English.

Surgeons interested in applying for these Scholarships must apply directly from the College's Web site. Questions may be directed to Ms. Kate Early, International Liaison at the College's airmail address, via fax at 312-202-5021, or via email at kearly@facs.org

I would greatly appreciate your cooperation in disseminating this information in order to ensure a large number of excellent prospective scholarship applicants. To date, International Guest Scholarships have been awarded to 241 promising young surgeons worldwide, 1968-2011. Please see the *Journal of the American College of Surgeons* for about the history of the International Guest Scholarships program, located on the Scholarships webpage, at <http://www.facs.org/memberservices/research.html>.

With many thanks for your assistance,

Paul E. Collicott, MD, FACS
Director, Division of Member Services

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