

Date Position Begins:	January 15, 2024
Appointment Term:	2 years
Membership Requirement:	Membership in Central or Regional Committee on Trauma, ATLS friends/family
Participation Structure:	Work Group sits within the Education Pillar under the ATLS program area
Anticipated Duration:	2 years
Effort Requirement:	Average of 1 hour per month (approx.) – work or Zoom meetings; likely a greater time commitment in the first 6 months
Experience/Skills Desired:	Previous attendance at Global Symposium, and/or global perspective of ATLS, and/or active involvement in ATLS administration

ATLS Global Symposium Strategic Assessment Work Group Overview

The Global Symposium has proven to be an important gathering to share trauma education challenges and best practices, obtain COT administrative updates, network, and foster a sense of community. At the same time, the goals and objectives have not been clearly identified, and meeting the needs and interests of the many varied stakeholders has been a challenge.

ATLS Global Symposium Strategic Assessment Work Group Deliverables

The ATLS Global Symposium Strategic Assessment Workgroup will be responsible for reviewing the history of ATLS Global Symposium, identifying the goals for gathering as a global community, recognizing the stakeholder categories, and developing a proposal for meeting their needs, while ensuring financial stability.

Workgroup efforts may include:

- Conducting a thorough needs assessment
- Conducting focus groups and or gathering feedback from a variety of stakeholders
- Reviewing previous Symposia programs and evaluations
- Considering formats and content that might be most useful and impactful for future meetings
- Presenting ideas and findings to the COT community; proposing a short- and long-term plan for the Global Symposium and/or relevant programs going forward

More specifically, work group members will be expected to conduct research and plan during 2024, implement and evaluate during 2025, and refine for 2026. There will be an initial kickoff meeting at the 2024 ATLS Global Symposium in Chicago, IL. This can be hybrid for those unable to attend in person.

Participant Representation

It is critical that the workgroup represent a global audience including a variety of stakeholders (site coordinators, instructors, educators, directors, region chiefs) representing a variety of regions (US and Regions 13, 14, 15, 16, 17).

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