

Committee Name	Chair/Co Chair	Mission
<b>Resident/Fellows Committee</b>	Chair: David Krpata, Co-Chair: Clayton Petro	To enhance resident understanding of abdominal wall diseases through education, fostering research opportunities, and increasing involvement in the society.
<b>Intl Relations Committee</b>	Chair: Flavio Malcher, Co-Chair: Leandro Totti	Formalize and enhance relationships with our members in the Americas
<b>Membership Committee</b>	Chair: Hobart Harris Co-Chair: William Hope	Grow private practice and academic membership. Roll Community Practice Committee into Membership.
<b>Education Committee</b>	Chair: Vedra Augenstein Co-Chair: Conrad Ballecer	<b>MISSION:</b> To provide comprehensive and evidence based education for hernia repair <b>VISION:</b> Delivering value by teaching, providing resources and support.
<b>Grants / Awards Committee</b>	Chair: Jeremy Warren Co-Chair: J. Scott Roth	Oversee grant requests, create review panels for grant applications, Select final grant awards.
<b>Bylaws</b>	Chair: David Webb	Review Bylaws every 5 years and amend Bylaws as directed by the Board
<b>Nominating Committee</b>	Immediate Past Pres	Bylaws: at least 3 nor more than 5

<b>Website/Social Media Committee</b>	Chair: Jeff Blatnik	Website and Social Media Development
<b>Annual Meeting</b>	Chair-Pres Elect: Ben Poulouse Co-Chair - Secretary: David Chen	Coordinate Annual Clinical Meeting
<b>Awards Committee</b>	Chair: Pres-Elect	
<b>Patient Advocacy Committee</b>	Chair: Shirin Towfigh Co-Chair: Bruce Ramshaw	To best represent the needs of patients facing Hernia and Hernia-related conditions.
<b>Finance Committee</b>	Treasurer	
<b>Diversity/Inclusivity Committee</b>	Chair: Gina Adrales Co-Chair: Kristi Harold	Mission: Improve the diversity of AHS, to build a culture that allows for the inclusion of underrepresented groups within the organization, to provide an avenue for reporting of discriminatory action/language at the AHS meetings to facilitate change, and to oversee the Inclusivity and Non-Discrimination Advisory Council.
<b>Fellowship Council</b>	Ajita Prabhu - Board Jake Greenberg - Educ	Advocacy

<b>Practice Advisory Committee</b>	Chair: Yuri Novitsky Co-Chair: John Fischer	Advisory's on mesh litigation ERAS hernia Role of robotics Best Practices in Coding Myofacial Release
<b>Mesh Labeling Task Force</b>	Chair: Jeff Blatnik	Work with industry, the FDA and surgeons to create a standardized mesh label: Long term goal: more consistant understanding of mesh to create transparency.
<b>Hernia Prevention Task Force</b>	Chair: William Hope Co-Chair: John Fischer CO-Chair: Hobart Harris	To find solutions and educate surgeons in hopes of eliminating incisional hernias
<b>Code of Conduct Task Force</b>	Chair: Brent Matthews	
<b>Journal Publications Task Force</b>	Alfie Carbonell	
<b>Conflict of Interest Task Force</b>	Chair:Andrew Wright Co-Chair: Dana Telem	