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# **FALS HERNIA**

**MUMBAI 2024**



**FELLOWSHIP COURSE IN  
ADVANCED LAPAROSCOPIC & ROBOTIC  
HERNIA SURGERY**

**30 AUGUST - 1 SEPTEMBER 2024**

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## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT, IAGES**

Dear friends,

It gives me great pleasure to invite you for you this Fellowship Course in Advanced Laparoscopic Hernia Surgery, to be held in Mumbai from 30 August to 1 September 2024.

Indian Association of Gastrointestinal EndoSurgeons has worked tirelessly since its inception to promote the safe adaptation of Minimal Access Surgery in our part of the world. This Fellowship in Advanced Hernia Surgery is one such step to train surgeons in this field and improve surgical outcomes.

I welcome you all to Mumbai, the city of dreams!

**Dr Subhash Aggarwal**  
**President, IAGES, 2024-25**



## **FROM THE ORGANIZING TEAM**

Dear friends,

We welcome you for you this Fellowship Course in Advanced Laparoscopic Hernia Surgery, to be held in Mumbai from 30 August to 1 September 2024, at Fortis Hospital, Mulund, Mumbai, under the auspicious aegis of IAGES.

Hernia is a problem which has plagues mankind since our species learned to walk upright. Today our understanding of the pathology has improved greatly, and so have our surgical techniques. Minimal Access Surgery has revolutionised the treatment of Hernias, making them easier to treat with the least possible morbidity.

The field of Hernia Surgery continues to evolve, and it requires more training and education. IAGES has always been at the forefront of such academic activities, and this particular program aims to do the same.

The course consists of three days of didactic lectures, panel discussions and a surgical workshop. The Speakers have been handpicked - not only are they experts in their field, but also dedicated teachers. The venue is one of the premier tertiary care hospitals in the city with world class infrastructure and medical facilities.

The entire Organizing Team awaits you in Mumbai!

**Dr Ramesh Punjani**, Organizing Chairman

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## **FALS HERNIA GUIDELINES**

This course is to train senior or advanced laparoscopic surgeons and to keep the members abreast with recent advancements in advanced laparoscopic procedures. FALS courses are organized in various sub specialties such as Hernia, Bariatric Surgery Upper Gastrointestinal Surgery, Colorectal Surgery, Oncology, HPB Surgery and Robotic Surgery.

### **A. FELLOWSHIP CATEGORY**

Eligibility Criteria:

**IAGES MEMBERSHIP IS MUST.**

Those who are not members may apply for membership online. See the website [www.iages.in](http://www.iages.in) for more details.

Members of collaborating associations who have signed MOU with IAGES are also eligible. They are expected to get their application endorsed by the respective collaborating association prior to joining the course.

#### **1. Non-Examination category**

Surgeons who have been doing laparoscopic surgery in the chosen field for 10 or more years are eligible for Non-Examination Category.

Candidates should have performed more than 100 laparoscopic surgeries in the chosen subspecialty and need to submit a logbook to substantiate the claim.

All the candidates will be interviewed by the IAGES board for final assessment before the award of fellowship.

#### **2. Examination Category**

All surgeons with a minimum of 3 years experience in the chosen specialty of laparoscopic surgery. (Includes experience in laparoscopy as a postgraduate surgical resident).

The applicant should have performed over 25 laparoscopic procedures in the chosen specialty either jointly or independently.

All the candidates would appear for MCQ assessment and Viva by the IAGES FALS board for final assessment during the forthcoming annual national conference before awarding the fellowship.

### **B. NON-FELLOWSHIP CATEGORY**

FALS course is also open to Non-members and all surgical postgraduates and interested surgeons across the globe, under the non-Fellowship category wherein they are eligible to take this course and receive the Certificate of completion of FALS course. They could register and participate in the annual national conference as Postgraduates or Non-member category.



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## **FALS HERNIA GUIDELINES**

### **Logbook**

Age/Sex/Surgery/Role/Post-op course/Complication/Remarks

Role - Assisted/under supervision/Independent (as drop down)

Post-op course - Uneventful / Eventful (as drop down)

Complications - Infection, Bleeding, Leak, Stricture, Obstruction, Others (type if others) as drop down

Remarks - Type the outcome of the event, if patient has been conservatively managed, Recovered, Diseased, Transferred, etc

Assessment of FALS fellowship candidates/Exam category will be conducted by IAGES Central Office.

The candidate is expected to know all important facts in Chosen subspecialty in laparoscopic surgery.

Online Exam Timings: 60 minutes

Maximum number of marks: 100

The Online Exam will have 100 MCQ questions (single best response type).

### **Practical Examination:**

Interview/assessment for approximately 10 minutes on each candidate. The candidates are divided in to batches and are interviewed by the two or more senior most faculty members of IAGES depending upon the number of candidates. Maximum of 50 marks are allotted for the interview.

Outcome of written and practical assessment will be prepared by the organizing team and to be signed and to be sent to the President with a copy to Hon Secretary Office and FALS board and results will be published in the IAGES website.

Successful candidates would be expected to attend the subsequent annual conference and convocation to receive the fellowship certificate. The Fellowship certificate would be posted to the candidate if he /she fails to attend two consecutive annual congress/convocation.



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## **FALS HERNIA COURSE MODULE**

### **Inguinal Hernia, Diaphragmatic Hernia**

History & Evolution of Laparoscopic Hernia Surgery  
Endoscopic Anatomy of Inguinal Region  
Mesh/Fixators/Sutures & Sealants for Hernia Repair  
Laparoscopic Inguinal Hernia Repair- What does the evidence say?  
Role of Robotics in Hernia Surgery  
Difficult Groin Hernias- Giant, Recurrent, Incarcerated  
Complications of Lap Inguinal Hernia Surgery (Except Recurrence)  
Chronic Groin Pain – Is It A Myth or Reality? How to Tackle?  
Recurrence After Lap Inguinal Hernia- Factors & Solutions  
Laparoscopic Management of diaphragmatic – Hernias  
Laparoscopic Management of Hiatal Hernia  
Laparoscopy in Emergency Hernia Surgery  
TAPP- Elucidating the techniques & Key to Success  
TEP- Elucidating the techniques & Key to Success  
eTEP for Groin hernia

### **Ventral & Incisional Hernia**

Surgical Anatomy of Abdominal wall  
Abdominal Incision Closure and preventing hernias  
Well prepared is half done- Imaging in Hernias  
Pneumoperitoneum, Botox  
Complications of Laparoscopic Ventral Hernia Repair  
e-TEP- RS + TAR  
TARM  
SCOM, SCOLA, eMILOS  
Suprapubic, Epigastric & Sub Costal Hernia Repairs – Problems & solutions  
Parastomal Hernia Repair – Tips & Tricks  
Lumbar Hernias and denervation bulges  
Ventral Hernia Algorithm – Which Procedure is the best in this Patient?  
Hernia repair in the morbidly obese  
Complex Hernias – Complex Solutions?  
Lap. Ventral Hernia Repair (IPOM, IPOM Plus)  
Anterior Component Separation – Open & Laparoscopic  
Posterior Component Separation. Tips & Tricks

### **Surgical Workshop on Day 3**





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## FALS HERNIA REGISTRATION DETAILS

Category	Early Bird (Till 15 August)	Regular
Fellowship (Exam/ Non Exam)	15000 +18% GST = 17700	20000 +18% GST = 23600
CME	7000 + 18%GST = 8260	7000 + 18%GST = 8260
PG Students	3000 + 18%GST = 3540	3000 + 18%GST = 3540

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Send the payment screenshot along with your full name to **falshernia2024@gmail.com** with 'FALS Hernia registration' as the subject

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