IGCS Gynecologic Oncology Global Curriculum & Mentorship Program in Mozambique: Challenges and Results of an Overseas Surgical Training Program

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**Objective**

To describe the implementation of the IGCS Gynecologic Oncology Global Curriculum & Mentorship Program (Global Curriculum) in Mozambique.

**Results**

To date, there have been 10 visits to Mozambique. Each visit consists of didactic lectures, surgical training, multi-disciplinary care and the management of preinvasive disease. Between visits, monthly videoconferences are held to discuss patient cases.

A total of 101 surgeries have been performed, including 49 radical hysterectomies, 12 cold knife conizations and 14 radical vulvectomies. Seven colposcopies and LEEP courses were held with 274 attendees from all provinces of the country, 221 colposcopies and 35 LEEPs performed. In August 2018, a patient underwent radical hysterectomy and it was the first time this procedure was performed exclusively by Mozambicans surgeons.

**Methods**

The Global Curriculum is a training program for regions of the world that do not have formal training in Gynecologic Oncology. The Mozambique program is a collaboration between Maputo Central Hospital, five Institutions in Brazil (Instituto Brasileiro de Controle do Câncer - IBCC, Santa Casa de Misericórdia de Porto Alegre/UFCS, Hospital Albert Einstein, Hospital Sírio Libanês and Hospital do Câncer de Barretos) and the MD Anderson Cancer Center (USA).

In January 2016, three Obstetrician-Gynecologists were selected as the Global Curriculum fellows. They follow an on-line curriculum, receive quarterly visits from the International mentors, participate in monthly tumor boards using Project ECHO and enter case logs into the REDCap system.

**Conclusions**

The IGCS model of surgical training is feasible and has already shown good results for the patients and fellows in Mozambique.