The CNS Foundation Board of Directors and Chair, Elad I. Levy, are honored to report the CNS Foundation’s accomplishments for 2019. With incredible support from the CNS Executive Committee, a dynamic Board, and the tremendous outpouring of support from the CNS membership and our industry partners, our philanthropic outreach to support world health and our neurosurgical community has never been stronger. It is happening because of you and all that you have made possible.

$1 MILLION LEADERSHIP GIFT TO CNS FOUNDATION FOR STRATEGIC CAPACITY BUILDING.

CONGRESS OF NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS (CNS) LEADS BY EXAMPLE

In appreciation of CNS community’s generosity, the CNS Foundation pledged to match 1:1, all gifts from individuals and medical societies, until the $1 million leadership gift is matched. To date, more than $515,000 has been matched, doubling the impact of generous donors on Clinical Scientist Career Development, International Philanthropy and the CNS Guidelines Fund.

COMING IN 2020 – EXPANSION OF CLINICAL SCIENTIST CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARDS

In early 2019, CNS and CNS Foundation announced plans to expand the current K12 Scholar Award partnership with the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS), and the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health (FNIH). Having already awarded two NINDS/CNSF “Getch” K12 Scholar Awards, first in 2016, and again in 2018, funding from both organizations will double, creating an annual prize.
INTERNATIONAL PHILANTHROPY WITH IMPACT

The CNS community is committed to supporting neurosurgeons around the world. In 2019, your contributions sponsored more international neurosurgeons than ever before, helping them broaden their knowledge by attending US based educational opportunities.

"The possibility to interact with the people in the same field is invaluable to improve patient care. During these conversations it becomes clear that we face many of the same problems, and sometimes the solution has already been found elsewhere."

-Eelke M. Bos, Netherlands

"I’m currently working as a teacher at my medical school and I have already shared the valuable insights...Being from a developing country this travel grant gave me the opportunity to learn and moreover to take back what I have learned and improve the care of my patients in my country. Otherwise, it would have been impossible."

-Jose Eduardo Leon Rojas

Attended ICH Workshop at Northwestern University

This observership was made possible by a generous grant from Penumbra, Inc.

Attended CNS Annual Meeting, 2019

The observership was made possible by donors to the CNS Foundation

2019 CNS Foundation International Observership Recipients:

Luigi Rigante
Italy

Franco Rubino
Argentina

Juliana Sporrer
Great Britain

Viktoria Sefcikova
Canada

Jose Eduardo Leon Rojas
Ecuador

Betrand Mathon
France

Eelke M. Bos
Netherlands
WORKING TO MEET THE DEMAND FOR DEVELOPMENT AND DISSEMINATION OF CNS GUIDELINES

This year, with the value of CNS Guidelines clearly established for neurosurgeons around the world, gifts to the initiative soared to $308,692.

- Generous grants directed to guideline development were made by the American Society for Stereotactic and Functional Neurosurgery (ASSFN), the Spine Section and many individuals. The Spine Section’s first year $100,000 gift will be followed by an additional $200,000 for the entire three-year Perioperative Spine Guidelines project, to be completed by 2021. Generous grants for guideline dissemination were also made by industry partners.
- By 2019, annual demand for CNS Guidelines production has more than tripled.
- By 2019, the free CNS app is downloaded 11,250 times, worldwide.
- 2017, the Trauma Section donates $5,000 to fund development of the free downloadable Guidelines App.
- CNS Guidelines project launched with three guidelines in development.

LEADERSHIP

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CNS FOUNDATION SOUL CYCLE FUNDRAISING RIDE

The CNS Foundation hosted an early morning fundraising ride during the CNS Annual Meeting in San Francisco, October 2019.

Riders and their sponsors netted $3,400 for the CNS Foundation Mission Advancement Fund

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**THANK YOU.**

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