For the SIGN Conference this year, we arranged more hands-on sessions to utilize optimum teaching methods used in medical schools and orthopaedic training. The evaluation of the 2017 SIGN Conference by SIGN Surgeons was very positive, and many stated they learned a great deal. The effectiveness of the SIGN Conference will be reflected in the reports sent by the SIGN Surgeons to the SIGN Database.

SIGN Family

The term “SIGN Family” refers to all people who participate in the vision of creating equality of fracture care throughout the world. The SIGN Family is diverse as it relates to different countries of origin, but also as it relates to different occupations. SIGN Engineers and SIGN Surgeons had many discussions relating to improvement of implants, instruments, and SIGN Technique. We all value each other’s opinions as we continually improve to design better implants and instruments.

SIGN Family Connections

Another intrinsic aspect of the SIGN Conference is the connections within the SIGN Family. When new ideas were presented in lectures and discussions, they were considered and discussed respectfully. We recognize that orthopaedic truth is elusive and many factors contribute to fracture healing. We must be humble as we evaluate orthopaedic treatment.

The Conference attendees felt that we lived up to our theme of the 2017 SIGN Conference “Creativity is intelligence having fun,” attributed to Albert Einstein.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the SIGN Conference successful.
Dr. Sami Hailu leads a discussion on pelvic fractures. He will lead the first pelvic fracture fellowship in Africa.

Dr. Mapuor Mading celebrates with Elaine Ballou, who supported his education, after learning that he passed his final residency exams.

Dr. Richard Gellman, a SIGN Board member, led two sessions of a workshop on treating deformities. These hands-on workshops allow surgeons from different backgrounds to work together and learn from their diverse experiences.

Despite the cold weather, SIGN Surgeons enjoyed the company of their colleagues and the beautiful Richland community.

SIGN Surgeons got hands on experience with new SIGN Products, like this Bone Mill.

The diversity of experience, talent, and viewpoints shared by SIGN Surgeons promotes innovation and improvement.
At the 2017 SIGN Conference, we had a new opportunity for surgeons to gain hands-on surgical experience—a mobile cadaver lab. This lab, provided by STI Mobile, provides the closest simulation to surgery on live patients. Many surgeons from developing countries had never practiced surgery on a human cadaver, so this provided them the chance to experiment with new procedures and techniques. Most of the attendees said that their session in the cadaver lab was the highlight of the Conference.

Thank you to STI Mobile, Acumed, Kadlec, Einan’s at Sunset, and OrthoMed for their donations and support of this incredible educational opportunity.
Please join us!
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