



# Teach • Travel • Learn

## Volunteering with Orthopaedics Overseas

### Washington, DC

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**Teach • Travel • Learn: Volunteering with Orthopaedics Overseas** is a workshop designed to prepare participants for overseas volunteer assignments and provide them with specific skills for teaching orthopaedics in developing countries. Being an effective volunteer requires considerable preparation, both personally and professionally. Teaching in another culture not only requires an understanding of the clinical material, but also an ability to effectively communicate that material.

Many potential volunteers are dissuaded from pursuing a volunteer assignment because they feel uncertain about their ability to handle the clinical case load and even less certain about how they would teach given the lack of resources and the challenging and unfamiliar case load. This workshop will offer participants the skills they need to pursue a successful volunteer assignment.

The learning objectives for the workshop include being able to:

- Describe the most common orthopaedic conditions found in developing countries
- Initiate treatment for those conditions
- Develop an effective plan for teaching orthopaedics in developing countries
- Locate a range of available clinical resources pertinent to developing countries
- Define effective cross-cultural communication skills

Topics that will be discussed at this workshop include:

- Orthopaedic care in developing countries
- Specific clinical topics including trauma and fracture management, pediatric conditions, infection control and treatment, spine problems and hand injuries
- Basic principles that should serve to guide the volunteer's decision-making process when faced with a challenging case
- Effective cross-cultural communication
- Personal preparation for travel and work abroad

**Faculty:** Richard Fisher, MD (Course Chair); Richard Coughlin MD, MSc; Kim Dunleavy, PhD, PT, OCS; Barry Gainor, MD; Nancy Kelly, MHS; Jody Olsen, PhD, MSW; David Spiegel, MD; and Peter Trafton, MD.

**[Please click here for the Registration Form](#)**

**CME Credits:** A maximum of 12.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™.

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#### Course Fees:

**Early-Bird** (before 4/6/12): \$350 for physicians/residents      **Regular Registration** (after 4/6/12): \$400  
**Spouse Registration:** \$175

Once registered, HVO will provide participants with a list of nearby hotel options.

*Refund policy: Health Volunteers Overseas offers 100% refund (minus \$100 processing fee) if registration is cancelled no later than 3 weeks prior to the course. There are no refunds for cancellations after May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012.*