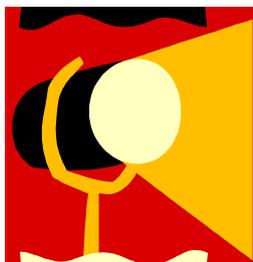


# AIHA Internet Resources Digest

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## Spotlight on: Resources on Pediatric Surgery

Pediatric surgery is a subspecialty of surgery involving the surgery of fetuses, infants, children, adolescents, and young adults. Pediatric surgery arose in the middle of the 20th century as the surgical care of birth defects required novel techniques and methods.

### International and National Organizations

#### The World Federation of Associations of Pediatric Surgeons



The World Federation of Associations of Pediatric Surgeons, the WOFAPS, as it is widely known, was founded in 1974 and has grown to be the world representative body of National Pediatric Surgical Associations with a current membership of more than 100 countries. The WOFAPS' mission to improve the surgical care of the world's children has been embodied in the Declaration of Pediatric Surgery in Kyoto in 2001. The website as

a resource to enhance communication amongst the world's pediatric surgical community.

<http://www.wofaps.org/>

#### The Global Paediatric Surgery Network



The Global Paediatric Surgery Network (GPSN) serves as a clearinghouse for volunteer work performed by pediatric surgeons around the world. Pediatric surgeons in low- and middle-income countries who wish as-

sistance can describe their needs, and volunteer surgeons can indicate their interests. The aim is to make humanitarian work more efficient by eliminating duplicate efforts, and to work together with local surgeons towards common goals.

In addition the website has many resources--not only for pediatric surgeons in resource poor areas, but for volunteer pediatric surgeons as well. Information about fellowships and funding for surgeons on LMIC. A special section of the website contains information about how to obtain access to books, journals, and videos to assist in education and patient care.

<http://globalpaediatricsurgery.org/>

### Pan African Pediatric Surgical Association



The Pan African Paediatric Surgical Association (PAPSA) is committed to:

1. Promote the practice, education, and the advancement of pediatric surgery in all Africa.
2. Promote and maintain high clinical and ethical research standards.
3. Foster the development of pediatric surgery in unprivileged areas in Africa.
4. Evaluate and to do goal direction research.
5. Establish a forum for communications between paediatric surgeons in Africa and other parts of the world through scientific meetings, workshops, websites, and scholarships

<https://sites.google.com/a/papsafrica.org/home/home>

### The Canadian Association of Paediatric Surgeons



The Canadian Association of Paediatric Surgeons (CAPS) is committed to making a difference in the lives of children, youth and families.

**Evidence-Based Resource:** the objective is to encourage evidence-based practice and direct research efforts to areas where evidence is lacking in the field of pediatric general surgery. They plan to do this by establishing a regularly-updated resource summarizing the best available evidence in this field, accessible by medical students, residents, fellows, and surgeons worldwide through the Canadian Association of Pediatric Surgeons (CAPS) website. Progress: Data collection began in November 2012. They have completed one topic and have begun gathering evidence for another.

This website will improve patient care by providing an up-to-date, evidence-based educational resource for students, residents, fellows and surgeons. It will also help to identify areas where further research is needed, facilitating the formation of good research questions and preventing duplication of research efforts.

<http://www.caps.ca/index.php>

### The American Pediatric Surgical Association



The web-site provides links to useful online resources, publications, including a collection of case studies and ethics-related articles that may be pertinent to a pediatric surgical practice.

<http://www.eapsa.org>

## Journals and Articles

### African Journal Of Pediatric Surgery



AJPS aims to be the foremost African periodical on Paediatric Surgery, dedicated to the promotion of research, post-graduate training and further education in the surgery of newborns, infants and children. AJPS welcomes and accepts clinical and laboratory-based research manuscripts relating to all aspects of paediatric surgery. It is also a medium for publicizing meetings and news relating to advances in paediatric surgery and child health within Africa and the rest of the world. Free access to full-text.

<http://www.afrjpaedsurg.org/papsa.asp>

### JAMA Pediatrics



*JAMA Pediatrics* is a monthly, peer-reviewed journal for physicians and other health care professionals who contribute to the health of children and adolescents. The *JAMA Pediatrics* provides an open forum for dialogue on a full range of clinical, scientific, advocacy,

and humanistic issues relevant to the care of pediatric patients from infancy through young adulthood.

*JAMA Pediatrics* publishes original studies, editorials, reviews by experts, practice commentaries, case quizzes, and updates on clinical science and practice management. The Pediatric Forum provides readers with opportunities to express their views. The online version of *JAMA Pediatrics* is made freely to institutions in developing countries through the HINARI program

<http://archpedi.jamanetwork.com/journal.aspx>

### Pediatric Surgery Update



It is an electronic newsletter edited by Humberto Lugo Vicente in Puerto Rico, including an online pediatric surgery handbook

<http://home.coqui.net/titolugo/>

### Medscape—Pediatric Surgery



Original, professional medical content, including review articles, journal commentary, expert columns, patient education articles, book reviews. Presentations from major medical meetings. Selected daily professional medical news in your specialty from Reuters, Medscape Medical News, and medical news journal publishers. One time free registration required.

[http://emedicine.medscape.com/pediatrics\\_surgery](http://emedicine.medscape.com/pediatrics_surgery)

## Learning Resources

### WebSurg



WebSurg is a virtual surgical university, accessible from anywhere in the world through the Internet. The WebSurg concept was launched by Professor Jacques Marescaux and his team at the European Institute of TeleSurgery (EITS) in Strasbourg, France.

The goal is to provide the surgical community, scientific societies, medical teaching centers and industries with the first, worldwide, online training in surgery, information on the latest surgical breakthroughs and the possibility to chat with surgeons and experts from all over the world. **WeBSurg videos of pediatric minimally invasive procedures:** The largest collection of pediatric minimally invasive videos, as well as interviews with experts, some translated into Spanish and French.

<http://www.websurg.com/>

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