

## A word from the chairman

**Dear Friends,**

I am pleased to present you with the latest issue of the IMA's "Around the Globe."

We hope you enjoy reading about recent achievements in Israeli health care, events in both Israel and abroad and hearing updates from our IMA Chapters. In the newsletter we will read about the great honour given to Sheba Medical Center, endowed as one of the top 10 hospitals in the world by Newsweek. A great triumph for this establishment and for the recognition of Israeli medicine worldwide.

At the time of writing, here in Israel the country has been gearing up to the Knesset Election on April 9. In the upcoming months to the election the IMA ran a campaign supporting the Israeli public health care system and calling for an increase in government spending on public health care. As life expectancy grows, Israel's robust and

advanced health care system is under more pressure and increased expenditure is needed to help keep the Israeli system as one of the best in the world. We look to the new government to further Israel's role in health care both locally and worldwide as manifested in Bloomberg analysis which classified Israel as the sixth most efficient health care system in the world.

As we come up to the Passover holiday, when we remember our release from over 400 years of slavery in Egypt, it is a time meant for reflection, a time for renewal and for personal growth. We look to the continued growth of Israel, to its innovation, to its ability to break through barriers and strive towards achievements. On this note, I would like to wish you and your families, a happy Passover. Chag Sameach!

**> Professor Arnon Afek**  
Chairman, IMA World Fellowship



# IMA Domestic News and Activities

## Newsweek names Sheba Medical Center in the top ten hospitals worldwide

» Newsweek, the prominent news magazine, has named Sheba Medical Center at Tel Hashomer Hospital in their top ten hospitals worldwide.

They highlighted Sheba Medical Center as a leading force in medical science and biotechnical innovation and praised their ongoing partnerships with international parties that have advanced Sheba's innovative medical practices, hospital systems and biotechnology.

Sheba Medical Center, affiliated with Tel Aviv University, is a tertiary care center accepting referrals of complex cases from throughout the region and the world. They include nearly all medical divisions and specialties, serving more than 1 million patients annually.



They were commended on their research which accounts for more than 25% of medical research in Israel and on their work with nearly every Israeli medical institute to educate students and to advance education.

Prof. Yitshak Kreiss, Director General of Sheba Medical Center said, "We are proud and excited to have been chosen by Newsweek magazine to appear on this prestigious list of elite hospitals around the globe. This is the culmination of 70 years of dedication to excellence, professionalism and innovation by our devoted, talented staff, within the field of medicine and patient care. Never resting on our laurels, we will continue pushing the boundaries to find cures and treatments that will not only benefit our patients in Israel but to also benefit mankind around the globe."

Newsweek worked with Statista Inc., a market research and consumer data company, to develop the ranking of the world's best hospitals. Sheba Medical Center was ranked number 10 out of 1,000 hospitals surveyed.

This is a great achievement for Israeli health care and medicine.



## War on tobacco continues as rolling tobacco levied same tax rate as cigarettes

» On February 19, 2019 the Minister of Finance, Moshe Kahlon, signed an order equalizing the tax rate levied at rolling tobacco to that of ready-made cigarettes. Until now ready-made cigarettes were taxed three times higher than rolling tobacco. The tax increase came into effect from February 21, 2019.

Advocacy group Smoke Free Israel were joined by the Israel Cancer Association and the IMA as amicus curiae in petitioning the Supreme Court on this decision. The Supreme Court accepted the petition partly based on the presentation of the IMA and the written

opinion of the IMA's Israeli Association of Public Health Physicians and the IMA's Society for the Prevention and Cessation of Smoking.

The new order follows the law passed in the Knesset in January 2019 banning advertising/marketing of smoking products and banning tobacco products in public and is another stride forward in the fight against tobacco in Israel. This development is expected to save the lives of over thousands of people, to prevent the accession of many young people into the smoking circle and to lead to improvement in public health.



## IMA issues position paper preventing its members from performing sexual orientation conversion therapy

» In January 2019, the IMA issued a position paper restraining its members from performing or referring patients to conversion therapy. Conversion therapy is any treatment or consultation whose aim is to change a person's sexual orientation.

The paper states "Treatments for sexual orientation have not been effective and are liable to cause real damage. Comprehensive literature and the position papers of other organizations indicate that there is no room for any treatment based on the assumption that

homosexuality is a disease or disorder that requires treatment, or any treatment that has targeted the change in sexual orientation."

Most often those performing conversion therapy are not legally or professionally qualified and do not meet the professional, academic or ethical criteria set forth for professionals who are involved in mental therapy. Only if a person seeks out treatment themselves would they be allowed to be treated by psychotherapy, with the therapy focusing on the conflicts and suffering

of the person. The IMA position paper states "This treatment will only be given by practitioners with formal training that meet the professional, academic and ethical standards required, and that hold allegiance to the principles of this position paper."

Any complaint filed to the IMA's Ethics Committee against a member regarding conversion therapy could now result in repercussions for the member ranging from reprimand to revoking membership.

## IMA's internationally recognized journal "The Israel Medical Association Journal (IMAJ)" celebrates 20 years of publication

» IMAJ is the IMA's English medical journal and is distributed to 20,000 members of the IMA and to additional subscribers in Israel and worldwide.

Professor Zion Hagay, President of the IMA "IMAJ, remains a great source of pride for the IMA and for Israeli physicians. Established in 1999, it has succeeded in attaining international recognition, and with an impact factor of 1.036 in 2016 it has taken its place

among respected medical journals around the world."

The editorial team led for 20 years by Editor in Chief, Professor Yehuda Shoenfeld and Associate Editors Prof. Joshua Shemer and Prof. Gad Keren take great pride in bringing to light the best of Israeli medical sciences. "The Editorial Board is proud of the high standard that the Journal has maintained over the past 20 years."

Prof. Yoram Blachar, Former President

of the IMA "For 20 years, 12 issues every year, IMAJ has presented research and clinical publications of excellent quality, enhancing the reputation of our Israeli physicians. It is my privilege to thank you, Prof. Shoenfeld, together with Prof. Shemer and Prof. Keren, on my behalf and on behalf of the Israel medical community."

We wish continued success to the IMAJ team.

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## IMAJ CELEBRATES 20 YEARS

## Israeli Medical Association collaborates with “Golden Expertise”

Golden Expertise is an Israeli volunteer organization of senior experts, committed to the sustainable development of small and medium-sized enterprises in Israel, developing countries and emerging markets. The organization maintains a national database, the first of its kind in Israel, of Israeli “Golden Experts”. Leaders in their fields, they are rich in knowledge and professional experience, experts who possess lifelong training and knowledge, worth their weight in gold. Seniors in their golden age, they are the lifeblood of the organization.

Golden Expertise works to strengthen businesses and economies, while creating meaning and significance for senior experts, and believes that sharing this invaluable knowledge, on a voluntary basis, can and will make a significant difference for businesses and economies by supplying them with the resources they need to grow.

### GOLDEN EXPERTISE PARTNERS

Golden Expertise has established a list of outstanding professionals with over 30 years of career experience and leadership in their fields. Some of the most important and relevant organizations in Israel serve as the source of their experts, and partners in the enterprise: the Israel Electric Company, Netafim, Mekorot, the Weizmann Institute, the Ministry of Agriculture, the Technion Israel Institute of Technology, and others. They are also involved in a large-scale collaboration with Volcani International Partnerships (VIP), in various agricultural areas in Israel and developing countries.

Recently, the Israeli Medical Association began collaborating with the

organization to enable older physicians to share their medical and organizational expertise with organizations in and outside of Israel who would benefit from that expertise.

### GOLDEN EXPERTISE CLIENTS

The main beneficiaries of the network’s expertise are small and medium-sized businesses, public authorities, professional and business associations and social and medical facilities.

The ultimate goal is to enable Golden Expertise clients to shape their future in a better and more sustainable way and to share the organization’s knowledge and experience in order to improve other people’s future prospects and opportunities

Currently, in collaboration with JDC-Eshel and the Bloomberg Foundation, Golden Expertise is leading a pilot in Be’er Sheva focusing on the food industries, and one in Tel Aviv focusing on the entrepreneurship eco-system.

Together with MASHAV and Israeli ambassadors and organizations, they are also designing a pilot in the field of health and agriculture in several developing countries.

The process begins with two weeks of a top-to-bottom analysis of each business, recognizing unique challenges and opportunities, while formulating a solid 6-month work plan. At the end of the two weeks’ on-site consultation process, the Golden Experts will support the implementation process from afar and provide knowledge and guidance according to demand.

This consultation model is based upon decades of experience from similar organization around the world. In Golden Expertise, they imported the model and implemented the necessary changes needed to sync with Israeli culture.

*Israeli and international physicians over the age of 60 who are interested in joining this enterprise are invited to contact Israella Herbelin at [israela@prolog.org.il](mailto:israela@prolog.org.il) or Malke Borow at [malkeb@ima.org.il](mailto:malkeb@ima.org.il)*



# Medical Achievements

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## Israel's hospitals incubate products for a healthier world

» Israeli hospitals aren't only hubs of healing; they're also emerging as global hubs of innovation.

What's driving this trend? Three factors unique to Israel: An aggressive problem-solving approach, a robust innovation infrastructure, and a

centralized, digitized healthcare system possessing 25 years of data from cradle-to-grave electronic medical records.

It all adds up to a powerful prescription for curing serious healthcare challenges across the world.

To read the full story, [click here](#).



## New biosensor targets most malignant leukemic stem cells

» A team of Tel Aviv University researchers has devised a genetically encoded biosensor that can isolate and target leukemic stem cells, which are the most malignant of all leukemic cells and notoriously resistant to treatment.

“The major reason for the dismal survival rate in blood cancers is the inherent resistance of leukemic stem cells to therapy,” said lead researcher Dr. Michael Milyavsky from the university medical school’s pathology department.

To read the full story, [click here](#).



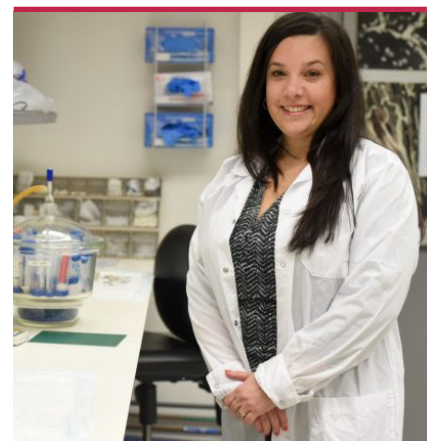
## Israeli study shows more successful method for skin grafts

» Skin grafts are modern medicine miracles, saving the lives of people suffering from severe tissue damage. Unfortunately, they are also complicated to perform and carry the risk of infection, rejection and a whole lot of pain.

This is why tissue engineering was

invented. Instead of using the patient’s own skin or the skin of others, lab-grown tissue is used to replace or regenerate the damaged area. This too is a very complicated process, but one that research students from the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology have just helped make a little simpler.

To read the full story, [click here](#).



# Humanitarian Aid

## A different view of Israel and its humanitarian aid



Unfortunately, today Israel is often portrayed in a very biased manner. The focus is rarely on its humanitarian aid, despite its usually being one of the first countries to help in situations of natural disasters.

For the past several years, Israel has been quietly running an important humanitarian aid project, providing medical care to wounded Syrian civilians. Giving aid to Syrians is no simple feat as Syria and Israel have been at war for over 70 years and as per international law Israel does not have to open their borders with Syria.

It all started in February 2013, when seven wounded Syrian civilians approached the Syrian-Israeli border requesting medical assistance. Their country was already two years into its ongoing civil war. Israel decided that the civilians should not be refused entry and they were treated by the IDF Medical Corps at the border and then transferred to the Ziv Medical Center, located in Safed.

Following this incident there was an influx of wounded approaching the border requesting medical assistance and a military field hospital was set up nearby. Initially the wounded were treated by the battalion and station teams and if necessary were referred to the field hospital. The field hospital was equipped to be staffed with twenty medical professionals.

The main aim of the field hospital was to treat emergency patients who were unlikely to survive the evacuation to a civilian hospital. Those who needed more complex treatment, were transferred to one of four civilian hospitals taking part in this project. After a year, the field hospital was dismantled as many of the wounded only arrived hours and sometimes days after initial injury and they needed the facilities of an established hospital.

Israel continued treating the wounded at the border,

evacuating and hospitalizing patients and providing day care at the hospital when suitable.

The work of the four hospitals involved in this project, Western Galilee Medical Center, Ziv Medical Center, Padeh Medical Center and Rambam Medical Center, provided a standard of care far higher than field hospitals can provide. The Syrians were treated according to the “Israeli Patients Right Law” and given the same standard of medical treatment as is given to Israelis. They shared doctors, nurses and wards with Israelis. Cases were treated on urgency level and not based on citizenship. Equal care was given to all.

Of course, the Syrians were very unsettled about being in Israel, their “sworn enemy” and it was made sure that Arabic speaking social workers were provided to them. Discharge letters and all medical documents were issued in Arabic, to make certain there were no traces that the patients had been in Israel.

After more than five years of humanitarian aid, Assad’s regime re-took control of the south in August 2018 and this project ended.

During this project, 4,163 Syrian civilians – wounded or ill – were treated in Israel.

This project involved all the key principles of humanitarian aid: humanity, impartiality, neutrality and independence. The care given by these dedicated hospital staff was outstanding, as was the care given by field hospital and the IDF Medical Corps in simply saving lives.

The Medical Corps oath “To extend a helping hand to the wounded and to the sick whether common or distinguished, friend or foe” was brought to reality.

We thank all those who were involved in this project.



■ Celebrating a Syrian teenager’s birthday at Ziv Medical Center



■ military field hospital

# First International Course on Innovations in Women’s Health



The course, held at MCTC in Haifa, provided tools for combining technology, policies & financing to reduce inequalities in women’s access to healthcare services.

The incidence of inequality in accessing health care services between men and women is a well-known phenomenon around the world. In many countries, women have no or limited access to health care.

It is important that health care professionals and all levels of government be aware of these disparities and find ways

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of reducing these health inequalities in women, especially those living in remote areas.

The course focused on challenges in Health Care services, systems, and policies affecting women, tackling issues such as scarcity of medical facilities, lack of primary health care, societal and cultural norms, and inadequate policies and funding that often make women reluctant to seek services.



■ Participants in the first international course on innovations in women’s health. Copyright MASHAV-MTC





# International Activities

## IMA representatives at Nefesh B’Nefesh Annual Mega Event

» On Sunday March 10-Monday, March 11, 2019, Malke Borow, Director of the Division of Law and Policy at the IMA and Dana Fishbein, Manager of the IMA Scientific Council, represented the IMA at the “Aliyah MedEx”, the special session for medical professionals at the 11th Annual Nefesh B’Nefesh Mega Event in Teaneck, New Jersey, USA.

Over the course of the day, Malke and Dana gave presentations on the Israeli health care system, the Israeli Medical Association, working as a physician in Israel and the recognition of foreign specialty titles in Israel. They also met personally with tens of physicians considering Aliyah,



answering questions and getting them started on the process of transferring their specialty certifications to Israel. On hand were also representatives of the Ministry of Health who assisted in starting the process of transferring their medical licenses and representatives of

various employers, including hospitals and kupot cholim.

The event got warm reviews from the future olim, who mentioned the great help afforded them in the complex process of Aliyah.

## International conclave on zero tolerance to violence against doctors and hospitals, February 8-9, 2019; Mumbai, India

» Violence against doctors has increased significantly in India. To this end, The Indian Medical Association and the World Medical Association came together in Mumbai on February 8-9, 2019 to discuss the issue of increasing violence against doctors.

According to the IMA, nearly 72% of Indian doctors have suffered physical or verbal abuse in their career. Professor Leonid Eidelman, President, WMA provided a comprehensive overview about violence against physicians. This included examples of negative effects on victims, destructive social effects. He discussed the reasons for violence.

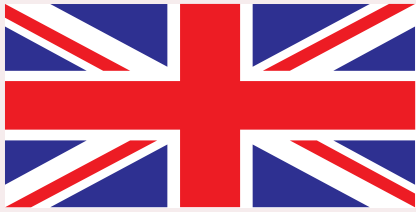
During his remarks, Dr. Otmar Kloiber, secretary-general, WMA described the



classes of violence as physical, verbal, psychological as well as in the form of bullying. The speakers urged Indian Medical Association members to report all forms of violence, big or small. There is frustration of patients about long waiting times and in tandem doctors

experiencing burnout have a hard time imparting empathy. Both are underlying issues which result in violence. One of the meeting’s outcomes was a need to address these two phenomena.

# Chapter Tidbits



UK



## Women in Medicine – an Israeli Perspective

The Jewish Medical Association (UK) organised a discussion meeting to hear Prof. Ora Paltiel (Senior Physician, Department of Haematology, and Director, Hadassah Centre for Research in Clinical Epidemiology; Professor of Epidemiology, Braun School of Public Health and Community Medicine Hadassah-Hebrew University; currently on sabbatical at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine), address the theme of “Women in Medicine – an Israeli Perspective”.

This meeting followed on from Prof. Parveen Kumar’s 2017 meeting with the leading women in Israeli medicine, held at the British Embassy in Ramat Gan, when she was Henry Cohen Visiting Professor. In her subsequent lecture to the Association’s 2017 Annual General Meeting Prof. Kumar noted that Dr. Lotte Newman had played a leading role in the Medical Women’s Federation (MWF), as she had done in the Jewish Medical Association (UK).

In her talk Prof. Paltiel reviewed the status quo in Israel. As in the UK women are not represented proportionately in surgical specialities and academic

medicine. The Israeli Medical Association Taskforce had summarised the situation in 2015, and their report with recommendations, which had been published in IMAJ (Borow, Levi and Carmi, 20:254, 2018), was noted.

Prof. Paltiel summarised her personal experience. She said that we should have no regrets – meaning doing more (training, volunteering, showing up) than is reasonable at any given time. Biology is fate not a handicap; a realistic professional mix of clinical, teaching and research can lead to flexibility if you are well-trained; work-life balance requires decisions rather than defaults. You need to choose your partner (and nanny) carefully and to be a mentor to other women but most of all “you must enjoy life and the greatest privilege of all – being a doctor!”

Two UK Association members, Dr. Nicola Rosenfelder (Consultant Oncologist) and Dr. Naomi Katz (General Practitioner and Care Commissioning Group Vice Chair) outlined their perception of the present situation in the UK. The areas where women were disadvantaged and/or “disappeared” were noted, but the progress that had been made in the 21<sup>st</sup> century was reflected in the changes that have occurred in College hierarchy and in senior NHS management respectively. Notably women that emerge from the stresses of postgraduate training period, medicine is an excellent career in which they had the potential to thrive.

Senior members of the UK MWF were at the event and took part in the discussion. The immediate past President, Prof. Parveen Kumar, and the current President, Dr. Henrietta Bowden-Jones, reflected on their personal experiences. Prof. Kumar recalled her situation as the only woman on a Gastroenterology Unit at Barts, and compared this with the present; and Dr. Bowden-Jones noted that she had been able to pursue an academic and clinical career in the field of addiction psychiatry successfully.

A vote of thanks to all the participants was proposed by the London President, Prof. Liz Lightstone.

## Annual Dinner

The Annual Dinner of the Jewish Medical Association (UK) took place recently. The loyal toasts were proposed by the medical student leads, Daniel Gutmann and Sophia Raymond. The toast to the Association was proposed by Dr. Yehudit Harris, and the Executive Chair, Prof. David Katz, responded. About 160 members and partners attended. The Israeli Ambassador, His Excellency Mr Mark Regev was present, as was Lord Turnberg.

The guest speaker was Prof. Sir Simon Wessely (Professor of Psychological Medicine and Regius Professor of Psychiatry at King’s College London and Consultant Liaison Psychiatrist at King’s College and the Maudsley Hospitals).

Sir Wessely studied medicine and history of art at Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and finished his medical training at University College Oxford, graduating in 1981. He obtained his medical membership in Newcastle, before moving to London to train in psychiatry at the Maudsley. He has a Master's and Doctorate in epidemiology. He is a Foundation Senior Investigator of the National Institute for Health Research, past President of the Royal College of Psychiatrists, current President of the Royal Society of Medicine and chairs the current Independent Review into the Mental Health Act.

He has over 750 original publications, with an emphasis on the boundaries of medicine and psychiatry, unexplained symptoms and syndromes, population reactions to adversity, military health, epidemiology and others. He founded the King's Centre for Military Health Research, which is now the main source of information on the health and well-being of the UK Armed Forces past and present and has been Civilian Consultant Advisor in Psychiatry to the British Army since 2001. He has co-authored books on chronic fatigue syndrome, randomised controlled trials and a history of military psychiatry.

Sir Wessely is active in public engagement activities, speaking regularly on radio, TV and at literary and science festivals. He is a trustee of Combat Stress and his contributions to veterans' charities include cycling (slowly) eight times to Paris to raise funds for the Royal British Legion.

In his talk Sir Wessely highlighted how essential it was to have an evidence

base for interventions, including for conditions such as post-traumatic stress. He illustrated how misreporting in the public domain was a historical phenomenon which recurs. Increased recognition of mental health conditions does not always lead automatically to the most effective forms of management unless they are based on careful study.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Abigail Swerdlow, who is a senior trainee in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and leads the junior doctors in the Association.

### Medical Student Electives

The Jewish Medical Association (UK) continues to sponsor medical student electives and informs all medical schools in advance that there are opportunities for this in Israel. Some of the reports from the successful applicants are published in the Annual Dinner brochure.

This year three such reports were included.

Sarah Levy from Glasgow University Medical School did an elective in Neonatology at Hadassah Ein Kerem and Mount Scopus Hospitals / Hebrew University Jerusalem. She described how she coped with language problems and how she got plenty of experience in both neonatal discharge and in the step-down section of the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit..and she also learned much about healthcare provision in both Israel and in the Palestinian areas.

Rebeka Nagyova, also from Glasgow University Medical School, did an elective in Paediatrics at the Ziv

Medical Centre / Bar Ilan University Medical School, Safed. She found that the welcome and support from Prof. Anthony Luder and colleagues was very helpful, and that the daily ward round was an excellend learning experience. She was struck by the multicultural aspects of working in medicine in the Galilee. She said that "the north is perhaps the most diverse part of Israel with all the different cultures, ethnicities and religions existing alongside each other. Israel is a very modern and well-developed country; but the more remote regions of Israel are very different to the bustling modernity of Tel Aviv or Haifa".

Kok Han Ang from Barts and the London (Queen Mary) did an elective in General Surgery, at Asaf Harofe Hospital / Tel Aviv University Medical School, in Ramla (just outside Tel Aviv), and was allocated to the upper gastro-intestinal surgical team. In addition to much practical experience in operating theatres and clinics, there were opportunities to learn about specific Israeli medical problems such as BRCA gene – associated cancers. There were new cultural experiences – meeting elective students from America, participating in Shabbat, and being in Israel during Independence Day, where the air force display was reminiscent of his own country Singapore. The opportunity to "meet the religiously free and the ultra-orthodox, hike the high mountains of Carmel and dip in the low waters of the Dead Sea" helped to make the elective even more remarkable.



**CANADA**

» The Canadian Chapter of the Israeli Medical Association is looking to partner with projects in Israel.

For example, the chapter hosted an evening to discuss a project helping to support youth who are exposed to bombardment in the South of Israel.

They are interested in hosting guest speakers in their community and to keep

promoting liaisons with Israeli medicine and healthcare through their chapter and welcome ideas and proposals from Israeli physicians and organizations

The Canadian Chapter also continues its support for medical students wanting to study in Israel, by providing scholarships at Ben Gurion University and Tel Aviv University.



**AUSTRALIA**

» **April 2019 – IMA Chapter report VICTORIAN BRANCH**

We started 2019 with a function on Managing Chronic Pain with a panel of three speakers Dr Simon Cohen,



paediatric pain specialist, Dr Barry Slon, specialist anaesthetist and Dr Doris Brett, clinical psychologist. This was an interesting presentation encompassing different treatment modalities including the controversial use of cannabinoid oils in the treatment of chronic pain.

In early March we held a weekend mini-conference in Daylesford in regional Victoria. Following Shabbat dinner we heard an informative talk by Professor Jeffrey Zajac on Endocrine diseases of Jews. This included Gaucher’s disease, congenital adrenal hyperplasia and Ehlers Danlos syndrome amongst other conditions. In particular the genetic flow of Ahkenazi Jews was highlighted over the past thousand years. After Shabbat lunch we participated in a hypothetical run by Dr Paul Flineberg on the topic of selecting medical students. This hypothetical raised many interesting ethical and moral questions



about medical training. On Sunday morning our formal education had several sessions on self care for doctors, noting that this is an area that does not get put into practice in everyday life.

We are currently providing scholarships to some Israeli doctors pursuing further training in Australia. This includes Dr Lior Levy who is undertaking a fellowship in minimally invasive surgery in gynecology and Dr Hagay Orbach an orthopaedic surgeon doing a hand surgery fellowship.



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## The Israeli Medical Association

wishes you, your family  
and your community  
a happy Passover.

**Chag Sameah!**



## Israeli Medical Association Journal - IMAJ

We are happy to inform you that the Israeli Medical Association Journal (IMAJ) is available online for all IMA World Fellowship members. IMAJ publishes original articles and reviews, editorials, case reports and other feature columns. Unique is IMAJ's coverage of specific regional issues - infectious and parasitic diseases, effects of the local environment on morbidity and mortality, Jewish genetic diseases, epidemiology of subpopulations - relevant to medical practice in distant countries with similar biopsychosocial problems.

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In this section you will have the opportunity to extend personal messages, either for professional or personal purposes. You may wish to find a placement, a place to stay or seek other advice or services from any of our IMA World Fellowship members around the globe or offer yourself as a friendly face to other physicians.

If so, please send your message to [international@ima.org.il](mailto:international@ima.org.il) for our next edition.

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