Smile Train and the College of Surgeons of East, Central and Southern Africa (COSECSA), are collaborating on a 5-year programme (with a possibility of renewal) to provide Smile Train scholarships to trainees wishing to study plastic surgery within the COSECSA training programme. A maximum of 4 scholarships will be provided per year, total of 20 in the 5 years.

**Objective:** To increase surgical capacity for cleft Lip and palate surgery.

**Application Deadline:** 15th January 2021.

**Award winners** will be notified within a month.
ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP

- Programme starts January 2021.
- The scholarship covers three years of FCS plastic surgery, starting from 1st year of the FCS programme.
- The scholarship is only for FCS plastic surgery level not MCS level.
- The applicant must have completed the COSECSA MCS programme or an equivalent qualification from a recognized institution or have obtained a COSECSA FCS specialty qualification.
- The applicant must have applied and been accepted in a hospital accredited for training in plastic surgery by COSECSA. It is the responsibility of the applicant to make sure a training post is available, and a work permit can be obtained from the host country before applying where required.

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Applicants should include a personal statement indicating future goals, a current CV and a letter of support from the surgical training programme director of the hospital offering the training.
- Completed application should be sent to COSECSA scholarship committee through the following email: scholarships@cosecsa.org
  
  **NB:** The subject of the email should read **“Smile Train Scholarship 2021”**

HOSPITALS ACCREDITED FOR PLASTIC SURGERY TRAINING

- AIC Kijabe, including AIC-CURE International Children’s Hospital, Kenya.
- Comprehensive Rehabilitation Services in Uganda (CoRSU), Uganda.
- Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital (QECH), Malawi.
- University Teaching Hospital of Kigali (CHUK), Rwanda.
- Mulago Hospital, Uganda.
- Parirenyatwa Hospital, Zimbabwe.
- University Teaching Hospital, Lusaka (UTH), Zambia.
- Yekatit 12 Hospital, Ethiopia.
- ALERT Hospital, Ethiopia.
- Rwanda Military Hospital, Rwanda.
- Soba University Hospital, Sudan.
- Khartoum Teaching Hospital, Sudan.
- Omdurman Teaching Hospital, Sudan.

The Award is USD 5000 per year of study and will be administered through COSECSA and cover expenses.

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