



# Mastering Surgical Skills by Simulation



## Certificate in Laparoscopic Surgery (CLS)

“Proficiency Based Laparoscopic Surgical Skills Training”

**Introduction:** Certificate in Laparoscopic Surgery (CLS) is a joint educational program of University of Zimbabwe International Centre for Surgical Simulation & Society of Surgical Simulation.

**Aim:**

CLS is a certificate of proficiency and aims to provide proficiency-based laparoscopic skills training to develop expert-level skills.

**Objective:** CLS is a taught program designed to integrate laparoscopic surgery into clinical training. The curriculum evaluates essential cognitive and technical proficiencies, ensuring only those meeting international standards are certified. In addition to core laparoscopic skills training, the CLS program includes procedure based theory teaching for performing diagnostic laparoscopy, laparoscopic appendectomy and cholecystectomy.

***Completion of the CLS program provides candidates with the foundation needed to pursue international certifications in most non-procedure specific programs like LapPass® or FLS™ via further examinations offered by respective surgical societies in the UK, EU, and USA.***

1. **LapPass®** - An educational offering of Association of Laparoscopic Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland (ALSGBI).
2. **FLS™** - The Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery TM (FLS) program, a joint educational offering of Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES) and American College of Surgeons (ACS).

**Eligibility:** All surgical specialties trainees and consultants

**Duration:** 6 months of hands-on simulation training & online learning.

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