JAN CHRISTILAW, MD FRCSC
Dr. Christilaw is President of BC Women’s Hospital and Health Centre and has more than 25 years of experience advancing women’s health in BC and globally. Dr. Christilaw has been President of the Society of Obstetricians and Gynecologists Canada (SOGC); UBC Clinical Professor; Expert Advisor, Canadian Institute for Health Information on Maternity; Founding Chair, Aboriginal Maternity Committee; and Chair, BC Consensus Panel on Caesarian Birth, all while delivering thousands of babies in BC. Dr. Christilaw has trained and mentored hundreds of health professionals globally, including establishing emergency obstetrical training in Africa. She is the co-author of the SOO course and board member of CNIS, and has taught SOO in Uganda and Ethiopia.

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Dr. Shenassa is the Director of Global Women’s Health at the Ottawa Hospital Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He is co-chair of International Women’s Health (IWH) at the SOGC, Chief of the Colposcopy Program at the Harmony Health Centre, Ottawa and founder and Executive Director of OISTER (Obstetrics/Gynecology International Surgical Team for Education and Research). Dr. Shenassa is also a member of the American Society for Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology (ASCCP), SOGC, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) and the American Association of Gynecologic Laparoscopists (AAGL).

Dr. Shenassa is a board member of CNIS. He is a certified CNIS Structured Operative Obstetrics (SOO) instructor and has taught the SOO instructor’s and provider’s course in Ethiopia and Tanzania since 2012.
SOO (Structured Operative Obstetrics)

PURPOSE: The purpose of the SOO course is to teach participants the management and technical surgical skills needed to perform a Caesarean section and other operative obstetric skills. The objective of the instructor's course is to offer C-section providers the pedagogic skills to participate in CNIS-lead SOO courses in Africa. The SOO provider’s course is described below.

BACKGROUND: One of the principle reasons for high maternal mortality and morbidity in sub-Saharan Africa is the lack of skilled birth attendants and limited access to Caesarean sections. African practitioners are frequently called upon to provide services at early points in their careers. The provider’s course brings the concept of structured operative learning to obstetrical training. The goal is to accelerate surgical proficiency. The SOO course was successfully implemented in Uganda, Rwanda, Ethiopia and Tanzania.

METHODS: The SOO course is designed to be participant-centred, problem-based and clinically relevant. It has been modified to meet the needs of the African partners. Currently, it consists of 3 main components: 12 lecture series, 7 laboratory sessions and a clinical practicum. The interactive lectures include reviews of basic topics in obstetrical and surgical care using adult learning concepts. There is also a lecture on Obstetrical Anesthesia. In the laboratory sessions, learners practice basic surgical techniques (suturing and knot-tying), vaginal delivery skills (post-partum hemorrhage, retained placenta, cervical laceration, vacuum extraction) and Caesarean section skills (skin-to-skin simulation using models). In the practicum, learners perform 6 C-sections.

OBJECTIVE: The provider’s course is designed to assure skills in junior doctors and non-physician clinical associates who provide these services in rural Africa.

TARGET: SOO have been updated; therefore, previously certified SOO instructors, specialist obstetricians, PG3 residents and General Practitioners who provide C-section services are encouraged to attend.

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COURSE SCHEDULE

Friday, June 12, 2015
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

8:00........ Registration and Breakfast
8:15........ Introduction to CNIS and SOO
8:30........ Lectures Day 1
9:00........ Lecture Assignment and Preparation
9:30........ Lecture Assignment and Preparation
9:45........ Break
10:00...... Practice of Interactive Lectures
12:00...... LUNCH BREAK
12:30...... Practicum 2:
1:45........ Caesarean Section Technique
2:45........ HEALTH BREAK
3:00........ Practicum 3:
3:45........ Practicum 4:
4:15........ Evaluation, Certification and Photo Session
5:00........ Closure

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REGISTRATION

Online registration: www.cnis.ca
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* Instructor’s manual, refreshments and continental Breakfast, lunch are included in the course fee.

LOCATION

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