

Maier Elected As First Vice President–Elect of American College of Surgeons

Vice Presidents Elect were elected at the [American College of Surgeons' \(ACS\) Annual Business Meeting](#) held in San Francisco, CA on October 29, 2014. The First Vice–President–Elect is [Ronald V. Maier, MD, FACS](#), Jane and Donald D. Trunkey Endowed Chair in Trauma Surgery, and Professor and Vice–Chairman of Surgery, University of Washington (UW) Medicine, Seattle. Dr. Maier also is Surgeon-in–Chief at Harborview Medical Center and Director of the Northwest Regional Trauma Center.



A Fellow of the College since 1984, Dr. Maier has played an active role on several key ACS committees, particularly the [Committee on Trauma \(COT\)](#). He chaired the COT's Ad Hoc Committee on Prevention (1992–2002) after serving as a member of the subcommittee for three years (1989–1992). He also served on the COT Performance Improvement Committee (1994–2004), Trauma System Committee (1994–2004), Committee on Emerging Surgical Technology and Education member (2001) and senior member (2001–2003), Regional Committee Organization (1990–2000), and Publications Committee (1988–2004).

He was State Chair for the COT (1987–1990) and Chair of Region 10 for the COT (1990–1996). He has been an active member of the Program Committee, serving as Consultant (2007– present), Vice–Chair (2004– 2005), and member (2004– 2007). He served on the Committee for the Forum on Fundamental Surgical Problems (1991–1994) as well.

Dr. Maier has held numerous leadership positions in other surgical organizations, exemplified by having served as president of the Society of University Surgeons, Surgical Infection Society, Shock Society, American Association for the Surgery of Trauma, and the Halsted Society, in addition to being Chair of the Board of Directors of the American Board of Surgery.

Dr. Maier's research interests include cell biology of inflammation, dysregulation of the immune response after severe injury, wound healing, gene expression response to injury, modulation of inflammatory mediators, acute respiratory distress syndrome,



biomaterials for healing, injury prevention, trauma care outcomes, and trauma systems analyses. Dr. Maier's research efforts have been recognized through prestigious awards from the Shock Society, the American Heart Association, and the American Surgical Society. He received the ACS Sheen Award for Contributions to Medicine and Medical Research in 2013.

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