

EIM Argentina



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The Hospital de Clínicas José San Martín is the most renowned teaching hospital in Argentina and is a part of the University of Buenos Aires. The hospital first opened its door in 1879 and now serves as an important training ground for the top medical students in Argentina, offering a wide range of residency programs. The three Argentine Nobel prizes for scientific merit - Bernardo Houssay, Federico Leloir and César Milstein - developed their medical residences and research laboratories at the Hospital de Clínicas José San Martín, as well as the first application. Additional accomplishments of the hospital include: the first description of the Tobias and Castex syndrome, the first cardiac catheterization in Argentina and the development of the first ethics committee in Argentina.



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2019 Goals

- To engage the Argentina Ministry of Health in the EIM movement after fall 2019 elections
 - To train health professionals throughout the country
 - Reach out and provide exercise professionals with special training to promote healthy lifestyles in community settings
 - Reach out to and partner/train medical doctors in each Argentine state
 - To develop an EIM community network of physical activity programs
 - To continue promoting EIM and the role of physical activity in health care by participating in different conferences, symposiums and workshops (Reproductive Endocrinology Society, Diabetes Specialists Master Course, Argentine Society of cardiology)
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Accomplishments to Date

- Formation of the EIM Argentina National Center (summer 2014)
 - Development of an EIM website (www.eimargentina.com)
 - Organized the Healthy Active City initiative in Olavarria (112,000+)
 - Initial success discussing implementing EIM in three Argentine hospitals, one of which is the Olavarria Public Hospital
 - Development of EIM prescription courses for physicians that has been offered on six different occasions training more than 300 health care providers
 - Development of an EIM course for exercise professionals that has been offered on six different occasions training more than 150 individuals
 - Presented at multiple national meetings (Argentine Society of Cardiology, Argentine Society of Nutrition, Obesity Society)
 - Presented to the head of health at La Plata University
 - Completion of one EIM training course for physicians with 37 physicians officially trained
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