

The Mexican College of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery foundation. A very "big-time gig", ginormus moment of bravery!

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Founded on July 26, 2017, the College has emerged as a need to raise the highest quality standards in the modern practice of Cardiovascular Surgery in Mexico. In a first stage, it was notarized by means of the public deed number 39,760 in Mexico City.

In a second stage on January 12, 2018, the College was authorized and supported by the Dirección General de Profesiones, with the Folio F-455. With this, the College acquired all the prerogatives emanating from Article 5 Constitutional, relating to the exercise of professions in the Distrito Federal and its regulations. Therefore, our Honorable College has a Constitutional rank.

The initial and Founder Board of Directors was constituted by Dr. Ovidio Alberto García Villarreal as President, Dr. Carlos Alberto Lezama Urtecho as Vicepresident, Dr. Carlos Naploeón Soberanis Torruco as First Secretary, Dr. José An-



Dr. Ovidio A. García-Villarreal, Founding President of the Mexican College of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery. August 2018, Mexico City, Mexico.



Authorization and Registry of the Mexican College of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery by the Dirección General de Profesiones. January 12, 2018. Mexico City, Mexico.



Official 2018 photo group of the Founding Members of the Mexican College of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery. August 2018, Mexico City. Mexico.



On August 05, 2019 took place the historical signing of the Treaty of Common Agreement between the Mexican College of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery and the National Council of Thoracic Surgery. Among those who signed the agreement were on behalf of the Mexican College Dr Ovidio A. García-Villarreal, on behalf of the Council Dr. Ricardo Villalpando Canchola, and as honorary witness Dr Rubén Argüero Sánchez.

tonio Heredia Delgado as Substitute, Dr. Juan José González Villaseñor as Second Secretary, Dr. Oscar Mercado Astorga as Second Secretary, Dr. Carlos Riera Kinkel as Treasurer, and Dr. Héctor David Contreras Garza as Subtreasurer.

Our first pool of Founder Members was a total amount of 137 Members in 2018. In 2019, the lengthy list of active or associated Members amounted to almost 200 Members.

The second and current Board of Directors headed by Dr. Carlos Alberto Lezama Urtecho took office the past January 15, 2020 in México City.

Thanks to our special adviser in Government Affairs, Dr. Moisés C. Calderón Abbo, as well as our external consultant,

Dr. Rosa Estela Juárez Pérez, the College has taken several legislative functions and responsibilities in conjunction with the Federal Government. Among many other things, the College is close to issue its first list of Expert Professionals coming from our authorized membership list.

Head to <https://www.colegiomxcircardio.org> to learn more.



Official 2019 photo group of the Associated Active Members of the Mexican College of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery. August 2019, Mexico City. Mexico.



From left to right, Dr. Carlos A. Lezama, Dr. Carlos N. Soberanis Torruco, Dr Ovidio A. García Villarreal, and Dr. José Antonio Heredia Delgado.

The "swearing-in" ceremony for the new Board of Directors, headed by Dr. Carlos Alberto Lezama Urtecho, 2020-2022



Dr. Ovidio Alberto García-Villarreal, Founding and President of the Mexican College of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery, 2017-2019



Dr. Carlos Alberto Lezama Urtecho, President of the Mexican College of Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery, 2020-2022.