## **Letter to the Editor**

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## **Pandemic Review: A Surgeon Perspective**

SIR, — Pandemic of COVID -19 has affected everyone in this world directly or indirectly. Some lost their life, some their loved ones, some their jobs & career opportunity. Even healthcare professionals have suffered a lot due to the pandemic.

Surgeons are no exceptions. This is a difficult time for Surgeons too.

One aspect is financial loss for Surgeons due to less number of cases coming for elective surgeries and even Surgeons are fearful for planning more elective cases. The fear is very much for catching covid infection in hospitals and spreading to their loved ones ie, family members.

Another aspect is loss of professional satisfaction due to operating less number of patients.

Spouses also suggest not operating for a few months. Spouse is right to some extent . Even Surgeon understand that taking care of their own health is most important this time.

Dilemma goes into mind of Surgeon whether stop doing elective Surgery completely or doing very selective Surgeries or ignoring the covid situation and doing whole work without restrictions.

It is very difficult for Surgeon to stop himself /herself from doing Surgery. Only a Surgeon can feel sadness of not operating and not using his years earned skill of Surgery.

Hoping for the present situation in the world to improve soon and previous days of normal life come soon for everyone and Surgeons.

Regards & Thanks

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