

# Heal Ukraine Group



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Please find updates of the Heal Ukraine Group programs and efforts below. The faces of Ukrainian patients and healthcare workers are blurred to protect their identities at this time of war.

Pictured below is the transplant group of five clinicians who recently returned to Ukraine after studying for six weeks at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH). The purpose of their collective observership was to learn about medical protocols following transplant surgery, a procedure that was largely outsourced in Ukraine before the full scale invasion in 2022. This team of transplantologists are the third to train at MGH, all in effort to address the ongoing need to establish a robust, transparent, and high-quality system across all organ transplants in Ukraine. The team has observed key principles to manage the pre and post operative care of patients, treat post-transplant infections, manage immunosuppression, as well as learned how to improve recipient and donor selection processes.



(left to right - Drs. Denys S., Viktoriia S., Iryna L., Viktoriia K., Vladyslav S., hosts Erika and Annette, and one microbiologist, Liudmyla S. -far right)



Dr. Vladyslav S. (left) with his host family, Robin and Erika.



Drs. Viktoriia S. (middle) and Lesia Strilka (right), MD administrator and Burn Specialist, with their host, Rachel.

Peggy S. (middle with cake) - host to Dr. Iryna L. (3rd from the right) and Dr. Viktoriia K. (first on right) shared a birthday celebration.



The HUG SAR team at a recent dinner at MGH in celebration of the Ukrainian physicians and the many individuals, host families, mentor physicians and administrators, who volunteer their time to make this observership program possible. As said at the dinner, it really takes a village and we are grateful to everyone who has helped to establish and sustain these trainings.

"This program helps me (and I imagine most of us) carve out a space in this crazy world to do what's right, to help our neighbors in time of need, to bring out the best in ourselves...thank you, Jacki, for all you and your team do to make this initiative such a success." - Brenda K. host



Left to right - Drs. Serguei Melnitchouk, Jacki Hart, and Nelya Melitchouk, co-leaders of the HUG SAR observership program, with Drs. Denys S., and Iryna L.



Brenda K. (left), her daughter, and Dr. Lidiia B., OBGYN



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