

Bob Hope is the Director of Convention and Meetings for the American College of Surgeons. The College has more than 80,000 members and is the largest organization of surgeons in the world. He is responsible for strategic planning and providing management and support for all meeting operations. The Division of Convention and Meetings arranges for 120 plus scientific, business and ancillary meetings annually, including the Clinical Congress, association and meeting services to 28 surgical societies, and corporate conference center operations in Chicago as well as Washington, DC.

Before joining the College, Bob worked in a similar capacity for 17 years as the Director of Housing, Registration and Travel Services at the Radiological Society of North America. RSNA hosts the world's largest medical meeting attended by more than 55,000 healthcare professionals. He and his team were responsible for negotiating all travel and convention related contracts and managing business relationships with suppliers including hotels, airlines, travel agencies, event venues, tour operators and convention bureaus.

Bob's diverse career in the hospitality industry includes 14 years with Hilton Hotels where he held sales and convention management positions at properties in Atlanta, Miami, Phoenix, Los Angeles and Chicago. He then became Director of Convention Services at the Hyatt Regency Chicago.

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