History:
Turkish Association of Trauma and Emergency Surgery (TATES) was founded in 1995 with the collaboration of Omer Turel M.D. (Professor of Surgery), Cemalettin Ertekin M.D. (Professor of Surgery), Rifat Tokyay M.D. (Professor of Surgery), Korhan Tavilolu M.D., FACS (Professor of Surgery), Tayfun Yucel M.D. (Associate Professor of Surgery), Semra Gunay M.D. and M. Emin Guclu M.D.

Aims:
· To provide the interaction, dialogue, communication and collaboration of Trauma & Emergency Surgery organizations and to solve the ethical problems between these in Turkiye.
· To constitute the necessary scientific and social committees in the field of Trauma & Emergency Surgery.
· To promote the scientific development of the doctors, nurses, technicians, clerks and staff in the field of Trauma & Emergency Surgery, according to the needs of science and the country.
· To give financial support to the organizations and hospitals in the field of Trauma & Emergency Surgery, and to provide the rotation of the personnel between these
· To promote the foundation of hospitals, trauma services and organizations in the field of Trauma & Emergency Surgery, and thus provide a better organization and optimal care.
· To arise the knowledge on the field of Trauma & Emergency Surgery, and thus support the books, journals, brochures, newspapers, radio, TV and similar media products on this field.
· To collaborate with national and international organizations in the field of Trauma & Emergency Surgery, in order to maintain these goals.
· To organize scientific courses, symposia, conferences, and congresses on the field, and to publish scientific reports

Membership requirements:
· To agree with the goals of the association, to be older than 18 years
· Not to have a limitation according to the law of associations (No 2908) in Turkiye
· To be referred by two active members of the association
· For foreigners to have the right to reside in Turkiye

The statutes of the association consisted of 33 items. The legal requirements were fulfilled in 11 November, 1996. Following the preparations for membership, in 22 May, 1997 the first general assembly was performed. Thus, the members of the administrative committee and the auditing committee were elected. Until now the membership is progressively increasing.

Yearly reiterating activities:
National Trauma and Emergency Surgery Congress (Biennial), Montly mortality and morbidity meeting between the hospital in Istanbul (every mount last Tuesday). Trauma and resuscitation courses for doctors (Doctor TRC) and nurses, paramedics and emergency medical technicians (NPT – TRC)

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