



ISHLT

ISHLT Strategic Plan

Mission, Vision, Goals

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Vision

Transforming care and outcomes for people with advanced heart and lung disease through transplantation and innovative therapies, catalyzed by research, education, and global collaboration.



Mission

ISHLT unites a global, multidisciplinary community to advance research, education, and innovation in the care of patients with advanced heart and lung disease. Through collaboration, advocacy, and the development of best practices, we work to improve outcomes and shape the future of care worldwide.

Strategic Goal Areas

Goal 1



Excellence Through Evidence

(Guidelines, Standards, & Registries)

International Registries: Strengthen ISHLT's leadership role in comparative outcomes research by leveraging international data-sharing initiatives.

Guidelines Development: Accelerate the creation and dissemination of adaptable, high-impact clinical guidance.

Goal 2



Enhance Expertise

(Education & Professional Development)

Multidisciplinary Inclusion: Deliver educational content that engages all professional communities across every career stage.

Early Career Professionals: Expand early career support through grants, learning opportunities, and networking pathways.

Worldwide Training and Support: Tailor training and support programs to meet the practical needs of people in diverse regions.

Goal 3



Be the Trusted Voice for Advanced Heart & Lung Disease

(Advocacy and Ethics)

Advocacy Strategy: Launch a phased advocacy strategy focused on ISHLT's highest-impact opportunities to improve access and outcomes.

Public Awareness: Strengthen partnerships with global stakeholders, including patient groups, to elevate ISHLT's profile, influence, and impact.

Goal 4



Catalyze Research & Innovation

(Future Focus)

Research Funding: Expand grant programs that support career development, innovation, and emerging science.

Industry Partnerships: Foster partnerships with industry to accelerate translational research and innovation.

Goal 5



Foster Global Engagement, Inclusivity, & Connection

(Community & Collaboration)

Inclusive Community Culture: Build on ISHLT's long-standing commitment to inclusion by continuing to foster a global community that is welcoming, accessible, and equitable—ensuring meaningful participation and recognizing the contributions of all members.

Collaborative Partnerships: Strengthen ISHLT's role as a global connector by deepening existing partnerships with societies, patient organizations, and other stakeholders to advance shared goals and expand collective impact.