



ISPOR Kuwait Chapter Annual Report 2014

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Background:

The ISPOR Kuwait Chapter was approved in May 2013. The chapter has 12 members.

The current leadership of the ISPOR Kuwait Chapter is comprised of the following:

President	Hamad Alsultan, BPharm Dasman Diabetes Institute Dasman, Kuwait
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Activities / Accomplishments	Summary
Scientific / Educational Activities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Workshop carried out by Dr. Maryam Allowayesh to 5th year pharmacy students about introduction to pharmacoeconomics (Dec 9th-11th 2014) 2) Workshop given by pharmacist Hamad Alsultan to 5th year pharmacy students about management in pharmacy: managing government and private pharmacies (Dec 15th 2014) 3) Dr. Maryam Allowayesh and pharmacist Hamad Alsultan has participated in the co-authoring of an article on: Implications of External Price Referencing of Pharmaceuticals in Middle East Countries by Dr. Zoltan Kalo 4) Dr. Maryam Allowayesh is co-authoring an article on: The Economic Burden of Refractory Chronic Spontaneous Urticaria on Kuwait health system by Dr. Mona Alahmad
Policy-Related Activities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Dr. Maryam Allowayesh visited the Director of Health Planning in the Ministry of Health (Dr. Waleed Alfalah) to introduce the concept of pharmacoeconomics and inform him about the presence of ISPOR Kuwait Chapter in April 22nd 2014. 2) Submission of pharmacoeconomics course curriculum to be offered as an elective to 5th year students to the curriculum committee in Kuwait University for final approval by Dr. Maryam Allowayesh (Jan 2015)
Conferences and/or Chapter Meetings	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The Chapter met its first meeting in Feb 23rd 2014 The attendees were Dr. Maryam Allowayesh, Hamad Alsultan, Mona Abd alhussain, Yusra Alyosef. 2) The Chapter participated in ISPOR 19th conference Arabic Network forum in June 2nd 2014 in Montreal Canada through sending slides about pharmacoeconomics in Kuwait. 3) Dr. Maryam Allowayesh and Hamad Alsultan both attended the “Health Economics: Coming of Age” conference in London June 12th 2014. 4) Dr. Maryam Allowayesh and Hamad Alsultan both participated in a poster presentation at the ISPOR 17th Annual European Congress in November 10th 2014 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
Membership Development	<p>The Kuwait Chapter had 4 extra members this year (Sara Alkhatrash, Rafa’a Alfarhood, Afrah Alkathmi, and Afnan Alanbie).</p>
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Dr. Maryam Allowayesh coordinated the visit of Prof. Annette Fitzpatrick, a Research professor in epidemiology from the University of Washington USA, through the coordination with Kuwait Foundation of the Advancement of Science; it was a one-week visit in April 2014. 2) Pharmacist Hamad Alsultan presented a series of Instagram posts part of public awareness campaign about diabetes in November 2014

Upcoming Activities for ISPOR Kuwait Chapter 2015

Date	Activities
January	Dr. Maryam Alowayesh will be a principal investigator on a study about the quality of life of chronic spontaneous urticaria patients before and after Omalizumab
February	Participation of the ISPOR Kuwait Chapter in the School of Pharmacy International biannual conference in Kuwait University
May	Participation of the ISPOR Kuwait Chapter in the health economics