



Lebanon Regional Chapter Annual Report - 2016

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When are elections held for your Chapter's Board?

06/01/2016

Please indicate month and year of your last election.

Regional Chapter members

32

Full ISPOR members

16

Collect membership dues or fees from individuals?

Yes

Annual dues?

50,000 LBP (equivalent to \$33)

Chapter benefits

Education workshop and participation in chapter activities.

Chapter's accomplishments in 2016 with regard to membership recruitment, retention, and engagement

- ISPOR Lebanon Chapter official website was launched in November 2016: www.ispor.com
- 26 members have joined LSPOR in 2016. A General Assembly meeting was held on Saturday 26th of November and all of them attended the PE education workshop. It was decided they would participate in the next Chapter event's organization.
- 3 members have expressed their interest in becoming members. Their file still needs to be studied.

Chapter's accomplishments in 2016 with regard to education and training

- Participated in ISPOR 21st Annual International Meeting in May 2016 in Washington, DC, USA
- Participated in ISPOR 19th Annual European Congress from 29 October to 2 November 2016 in Austria, Vienna. Three board members attended short courses related to data transferability, utility measures, and Budget Impact analysis, pharmacoeconomics modeling.

Chapter's accomplishments in 2016 with regard to research

One Board member is currently engaged in an ongoing research activities related to Managed Entry Agreement and Cost Utility Analysis in Hepatitis C Disease.

Chapter's accomplishments in 2016 with regard to policy-related activities

none



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Chapter's accomplishments with regard to Chapter meetings, workshops, or conferences

- Launched the annual meeting entitled "Ensuring Value for Money in Lebanese Healthcare", in February 2016
- LSPOR's first Educational Workshop "Importance of Pharmacoeconomics and Data Registries in Lebanon", was held on November 25-26, 2016. This workshop is one of the components of LSPOR's educational program in the area of pharmacoeconomics (PE). The goal of the program is to provide key concepts in the discipline of PE to facilitate the translation of PE information to healthcare decision-makers engaged in developing policies and guidelines. The program offers both introductory and advanced topics taught by leading experts in the field and will be delivered in four modules and concomitant short workshops. It includes elements related to concepts of PE role in healthcare, PE models utilization, health technology assessment, budget impact analysis and pricing/ reimbursement policies. This two day educational program highlighted the need of data registry in Lebanon.

Chapter member's accomplishments, including articles of note or awards

Ongoing.

Describe any regional patient engagement activities

None at the present time.

Describe any activities organized for students or new professionals

Engaging students in conferences and workshops events.

Chapter Affiliations

Sponsorship Agreements

Formal comments to governments or health authorities

Input to national or regional HTA activities

Committees or special interest groups

Research

Registered with regional authorities

Yes

Registered in governmental authority.

Chapter's main goals for 2017

- Prepare Chapter annual meeting in February 2017
- Prepare second workshop in November 2017
- Initiate Research project
- Provide PE program
- Publication outputs by members
- continue working with respective governmental officials to introduce pharmacoeconomics concepts in strategies to manage health expenditures and optimizing patient care.

3 challenges the Chapter is facing at the start of 2017

1

Research activities due to limited funds, data registry and resources.

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Ability to invite international speakers to join the chapter activities in Lebanon.

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Increase members.



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