Background:

ISPOR Belarus Chapter was approved in September 2008. The Chapter has 30 members including 2 corresponding members of the Executive Committee. The current leadership of ISPOR Belarus Chapter is comprised of the following:

President: Vladimir A. Matveev M.D., PhD, Professor, Pediatrics Department of Vitebsk State Medical University, Vitebsk, Republic of Belarus

Vice-President: Alexey N. Sychev, Executive Director of the Association of International Pharmaceutical Manufacturers (AIPM Belarus), Minsk, Republic of Belarus

Secretary/Treasurer: Viktor B. Liukovich – Deputy Executive Director of the Association of International Pharmaceutical Manufacturers (AIPM Belarus), Minsk, Republic of Belarus

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Activities of the Chapter can be summarized as follows:
1. Academic activities:

ISPOR Belarus Leadership and members actively participated in the Republican International Conference “Formulary System of Republic of Belarus: Past, Present and the Future”, on June 19, 2012. ISPOR Belarus Chapter organized a training seminar during the Conference: Pharmacoeconomic methods applied in Health Technology Assessment”. Different aspects of further development of national formulary system, creation of restrictive, protocols of treatments and the role of pharmacoeconomic methods in health technology assessment have been treated during this Conference. Many interesting speeches have been made basing on conducted research works applying pharmacoeconomic and clinical analysis using health technology assessments during the treatments of diseases. Those speeches were presented along with the theoretical and methodological studies in the development of the formulary system.

ISPOR Belarus Chapter successfully participated in the Conjoint Forum of CIS Countries (Russia, Ukraine, Armenia, and Kazakhstan) in November, 2012, during the 15th Annual European Congress in Berlin, Germany. At the Congress, ISPOR Chapter member, Irina Kozhanova presented three posters: ”Evaluation of the Pharmacoeconomic Research in Belarus”; “One Year Cost-Effectiveness of Montelukast in 2-6 year old Children with Mild-Moderate Persistent Asthma in Belarus; ”Cost-effectiveness Analysis of Montelukast in 6-12 year-old Children with Mild-moderate Persistent Asthma in Belarus”.

ISPOR Belarus Chapter members (Vladimir Matveev, Alexey Sychev, Viktor Liukovich, Larisa Gavrilenko, and Maria Sachek) actively participated in the First International Russian Scientific and Practical Conference ”International Experience in Conducting Health Technology Assessment: Present and Future of HTA in Russia”, which has been held on May 21, 2012, in Moscow, Russia.

Maria Sachek, ISPOR Belarus Chapter Member successfully participated in the HTA Roundtable in Europe during the ISPOR 15th Annual European Congress in Berlin, Germany.

ISPOR Belarus Chapter Vice-President, A. Sychev, participated as a speaker at the conjoint meeting of Representatives of the National Assembly of Belarus and the Association of International Pharmaceuticals Manufacturers on the topic; “ The results of the joint work and cooperation prospects for improvement of legislation in the field of health and drug treatment”, on May 17, 2012, Minsk, Belarus.

ISPOR Belarus Chapter was a co-organizer of the National Conference with the international participation, ISPOR Russia HTA Chapter leadership, Deputy Minister of Health of Belarus: “Formulary System of Belarus, Past, Present and Future”. ISPOR Belarus Chapter organized a
training seminar “Pharmacoeconomic evaluation methods of medical technology” during the conference. The conference was held on June 17, 2013 in Minsk, Belarus.

ISPOR Belarus Chapter members actively participated (A. Sychev, Vice-President as a speaker) in the international training seminar organized by the Pharmaceutical Inspection Cooperation System of the Ukrainian Ministry of Health. Issues of registration and quality control of medicinal products in Ukraine and Belarus have been discussed.

ISPOR Belarus Chapter Members issued 100 publications, which have been published in the leading medical journals of the country.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:
Actively participate in the 4th International Pharmaceutical Forum of the CIS Countries in Moscow, Russia “Regional Integration and the problems of drugs”. Common approaches to the regulation of drugs in the frame work of the Common Economic Space with the Board of the Eurasian Economic Commission; a draft agreement on common principles and rules of drugs in the CIS Countries territories will form the part of the discussion. February 5-7, 2013.

Organize a conference on February 12, 2013 of the Association of International Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and the council “Belarusian Association of Physicians”, to discuss the activities, plans, and the ways of further cooperation between the two organizations in order to further improvement of the health care system in Belarus; to develop a legal assistance to professionals of drug supply and drug treatment, as well as some pending issues with the ”Science” journal.

Work out further practical activities to promote ISPOR, and its scientific and policy related initiatives, and to invite new members to join the organization.

Organize ISPOR Belarus Chapter Conference in September, 2013. “Development of Pharmacoeconomics in Belarus, its achievements and the plans for the future”, Minsk, Belarus.

Actively participate in the ISPOR 18th Annual International Meeting in New Orleans, USA.

Take an active part in posters presentations and in Conjoint Forum with Russia HTA, Belarus, and Ukraine Chapters, other important events during the ISPOR 16th Annual European Meeting in Dublin, Ireland.

Conduct training seminars on the Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research in the leading higher educational institutions of Belarus during spring-fall of 2013.