



Greece Chapter 2008 Annual Report

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Background:

The Greece Chapter was accepted in October 2007. The Chapter has 40 members.

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Enclosure: Greece Chapter Annual Report 2008

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(Hellenic Society of Pharmacoeconomics & Outcomes Research -HELSPOR)

1. HELSPOR publishes the quarterly scientific journal of “Pharmacoeconomia”, which includes health economics studies conducted in Greece, accompanied by the news of the association (4 issues were published in 2008).
2. HELSPOR participated in the organization of the 11th European ISPOR Conference, Athens, 8-11 November 2008. Furthermore, it organized an Issue Panel under the title: “Is economic evaluation in the Greek health care context a feasible target or an intangible dream?” HELSPOR members presented several studies in workshops, podium and poster presentations.
3. HELSPOR members participated in the 4th Panhellenic Congress on Health Management, Economics and Policies, Athens, 3-6 December 2008, presenting studies and organizing round tables.
4. HELSPOR members participated in several national conferences, regarding pharmacoeconomics, health and pharmaceutical expenditure, the generic medicines market in Greece and the economics of mental health in Greece.
5. HELSPOR participated in a one-day workshop under the title “Careers in Health Economics in Greece”, organized by the University of Thessaly (April 2008).
6. HELSPOR supervised the workshop on pharmacoeconomics, which was organized by Boehringer-Ingelheim (March 2008).
7. Members of the Greek HELSPOR participated during the ISPOR Conference in Athens at different events as speakers, poster presenters, or Members of Several Committees , (Co-Chairs, Congress Program Committee, Research Review Committee, Issue Panels
8. HELSPOR has also organized seminars on Pharmacoeconomics at the University of Athens School of Pharmacy.
9. Members of the Greek HELSPOR have published in the ISPOR Connections Journal analyzing the expenditures on pharmaceuticals at a European Level
10. Members of the Greek HELSPOR have also published in the journal of ISPOR “Value in Health” examining the psychometric properties of the EQ-5D instrument as well as the 15-D instrument on Health Related Quality of Life measurement.

Upcoming Activities for 2009

1. HELSPOR will participate in the Balkan ISPOR Chapters conference organized by the ISPOR Serbia regional chapter in March 9-10th 2009 taking place in Belgrade.
2. HELSPOR will publish the quarterly scientific journal “Pharmacoeconomia”, which includes Greek health economics studies, as well as the news of the Society.
3. HELSPOR will participate in the 5th Panhellenic Congress on Health Management, Economics and Policies, organizing a pharmacoeconomics seminar.
4. HELSPOR holds quarterly meetings of its members, in which scientific issues are discussed, as well as regulatory issues concerning the pharmaceutical sector in Greece.
5. HELSPOR members will organize seminars for the postgraduate students of the University of Thessaly, University of Peloponese, the National School of Public Administration and the National School of Public Health.
6. HELSPOR Members will continue to organize lectures at a under-graduate level on pharmacoeconomics and outcome research at the University of Athens School of Pharmacy
7. HELSPOR Members will continue to teach pharmacoeconomics and outcome research at a Post Graduate Level in the Medical School at the University of Athens
8. HELSPOR Members have participated in several National and European research committees for the 7th Framework Program launched by the European Commission.
9. HELSPOR members will continue to submit articles and publish in the ISPOR journals “Connections” and “Value in Health”