



ISPOR Kuwait Chapter Annual Report 2013

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Background:

The ISPOR Kuwait Chapter was approved in May 2013. The chapter has 8 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) Lecture given by pharmacist Hamad Alsultan to 5th year pharmacy students about business in pharmacy: opening a private pharmacy (Sept 29th 2013) 2) A seminar about pharmacoepidemiology presented by Dr. Maryam Allowayesh to the professors of School of Pharmacy, Kuwait University, (Oct 30th 2013) 3) Workshop “Introduction to Pharmacoeconomics” carried out by Dr. Maryam Allowayesh to 5th year pharmacy students (Dec 5th 2013)
Policy-Related Activities	<p>Dr. Maryam Allowayesh attained the approval of the Pharmacy Practice Department in Kuwait University and will lecture “Introduction to Pharmacoeconomics” course which serves as an elective course to 5th year students for Fall 2014.</p>
Conferences and/or Chapter Meetings	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Dr. Maryam Allowayesh and pharmacist Hamad Alsultan both attended the ISPOR 18th Annual International Meeting, New Orleans, USA, May 2013. Dr. Allowayesh’s poster was nominated for the best poster award. Both Hamad and Maryam attended the ISPOR Arabic Network Forum and the ISPOR Arabic Network Chapters Meetings. 2) Dr. Maryam Allowayesh and pharmacist Hamad Alsultan both met with Dr. Kasem Akhras, the head of market access of the Middle East cluster in Novartis, in Dubai (Jan 2014) to discuss potential collaborative research projects with ISPOR Kuwait Chapter.
Membership Development	<p>The Kuwait Chapter had 5 more members in 2013 (Mona AbdulHosein, Yusra Alyosef, Shahad Alrabiy, Mai Alhuzami, Sarah Almane’e).</p>
Other	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Dr. Maryam Allowayesh coordinated the visit of Dr. Hind Hatoum, a big name in pharmacoeconomics, to Kuwait University to benefit from her expertise in this field; it was a one-week visit in June 2013. 2) Pharmacist Hamad Alsultan presented a series of interviews on Kuwait TV all about medication use safety in different diseases (June to Sept. 2013.) 3) Dr. Maryam Allowayesh and pharmacist Hamad Alsultan contributed in the indexing of the Arabic version of ISPOR Book of Terms.

Upcoming Activities for ISPOR Kuwait Chapter 2014

Date	Activities
January	First formal meeting of the ISPOR Kuwait Chapter with its members
January	ISPOR Kuwait Chapter will co-author a study about health pricing in the Middle East
February	An Educational seminar about Pharmacoeconomics presented by Dr. Maryam Alowayesh to professors of Pharmacy in Kuwait University
March	ISPOR Kuwait Chapter will co-author a study about the epidemiology of heart failure in the gulf region
June	Attend ISPOR 19 th Annual International Meeting, Montreal, Canada and participate in the ISPOR Arabic Network Forum presentation and meetings.