

ISPOR New Zealand Chapter Annual Report 2013

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Background:

The ISPOR New Zealand Chapter was formally approved by ISPOR in July 2011 and had its first Annual General Meeting and election of officers in April 2012. The current leadership of the ISPOR New Zealand Chapter comprises the following:

President:

Richard Milne, BSc (Hons), MSc, PhD, MRSNZ

Principal, Health Outcomes Associates Ltd, Auckland, New Zealand & Associate Professor, University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand

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Chris Carswell, BSc, MSc, MRPharmS

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Associate Professor, University of Canterbury Christchurch, New Zealand

Executive Committee Members:

Robin Janata, BPharm, Dip Clin Pharm, Dip Marketing, MHealSci IMS Health

Katherine Lester, BFA, MFA, MBA Pfizer NZ Ltd

Jared Poppelbaum, LLB, BCom Atlantis Healthcare Ltd

Total membership: 28; prevalence rate 6.4 per million; cost effectiveness unknown

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Activities / Accomplishments	Summary	
Scientific /	WORKSHOP I	
Educational		
Activities	A workshop on economic evaluation was held on April 20 at the University of Auckland. This was the first public meeting of ISPOR New Zealand Inc. The programme was organised to meet diverse needs of those who are relatively familiar with economic evaluation and others who are relatively new to the subject; for example, medical device suppliers who will need to come up to speed rapidly because of government plans to bring medical devices under the umbrella of the pharmaceutical management agency PHARMAC. The workshop was partly sponsored by Roche NZ Ltd under an unrestricted educational grant. There were 57 registrants, from a wide range of backgrounds including academia, the pharmaceutical industry, the medical devices industry, district health boards, hospitals, New Zealand Trade and Enterprise and others. Feedback from participants was very positive and many expressed the need for more training, especially at intermediate level such as economic modelling.	
	Programme Introduction to economic evaluation Quality-of-life assessment Economic evaluation alongside clinical trials Introduction to economic modelling Reporting and critiquing economic studies Economic evaluation and decision making WORKSHOP II	Ms. Liza Sopina Dr. Sarah Derrett Dr. Richard Edlin Dr. Richard Milne Mr. Chris Carswell Ms. Alison Davies
	'Health technology in practice: a New Zealand and international view.'	

	The aim of the workshop was to present a broad perspective on health technology assessment and its application in the changing New Zealand environment. There were 44 registrants, comprising members of: the pharmaceutical industry; medical devices industry; District Health Boards; Ministry of Health; academia; post graduate students; and others Michael Drummond: 'international comparative HTA': and 'assessment of medical devices.' Anne Kolbe (Chair of the National Health Committee): the role of the national health committee in health technology assessment Andrew Davies (Procurement Manager at PHARMAC): the role of PHARMAC in assessment of pharmaceuticals, and its future role in assessment of medical devices Emma Parry (Director of the National Women's Maternal and Fetal Medicine Service): the role of the clinical practice group in introducing new technology at hospital level Richard Milne (University of Auckland and independent consultant): assessment of a medical device for use in the community A panel discussion was held on the public funding of new pharmaceuticals, vaccines and medical devices in New Zealand. Participants were Andrew Davies, Anne Kolbe, Alison Davies (independent consultant), and Kevin Sheehy (General Manager of Medicines New Zealand) The workshop was supported by Roche New Zealand Ltd and by ISPOR. This one day meeting was successful in giving a broad overview of health technology assessment internationally and in New Zealand.	
Policy-Related Activities	Nil	
Conferences	The Executive Committee met 6 times in 2013, mostly for planning workshops	
and/or Chapter	and policy development.	
Meetings		
Membership	The 2 workshops were used for recruitment (see above)	
Development		
Other	Richard Milne and Chris Carswell attended the ISPOR conference in New	
	Orleans in May 2013. Richard also attended the iHEA triennial conference in	
	Sydney in July and the HSRAANZ conference in Wellington in November, and	
	had discussions with the President of ISPOR Australia.	

Upcoming Activities for ISPOR New Zealand Chapter 2014

Date	Activities
Feb. 28	Visioning and planning half day for the Executive Committee
April	Workshop on economic modelling, and AGM.