

ISPOR Nigeria Chapter Annual Report 2014

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Background:

The ISPOR Nigeria Chapter was approved in January 19, 2010. The chapter has 61 members.

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Activities /	Summary
Accomplishments	Security issues and Ebola related fears were key challenges that impacted 2014 in the life of ISPOR Nigeria. Efforts were made to maintain positive contact with schools already teaching pharmacoeconomics to continue. Contacts with other key stakeholders were maintained despite of the situation.
Scientific / Educational Activities	This was confined to 5 schools that ISPOR Nigeria had successfully made to start teaching Pharmacoeconomics in the past. Efforts are currently on to get University of Port Harcourt to include it in their curriculum. West Africa Post Graduate College of Pharmacists now have it in their curriculum.
Policy-Related Activities	Visits were made to the professional bodies to continue discussions on how to include Pharmacoeconomics as part of the minimum benchmark requirement for schools of Pharmacy, medicine and nursing.
Conferences and/or Chapter Meetings	Conferences could not be held due to security concerns in Abuja. However, one meeting was held in which the decision to focus efforts towards ensuring that the challenges on ground does not erode the gains made by ISPOR Nigeria was reached. Hence efforts were concentrated on the Universities already teaching pharmacoeconomics.
Membership Development Other	Membership drive continued. However, expected growth was not realized possibly due To inability to hold a conference. A research initiative was hatched during a visit to the University of Port Harcourt. Plans are on to develop a patient database for economic evaluation purposes. This is a long term plan with discussions already initiated.

Upcoming Activities for ISPOR Nigeria Chapter in 2015

Date	Activities
March 25	General Assembly meeting in Abuja to set up working groups
April -May	Scientific Conference planning committee starts work
May	Philadelphia Meeting
June-July	Visits to NAFDAC, PCN, MOH, MDCAN etc. to promote conference and recruit
	members
August-September	Scientific Conference/ Reports from working groups
October	Revisit stakeholders
November - December	Evaluation and development of new plans