



## ISPOR Philippines Chapter Annual Report 2012

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### Background:

The ISPOR Philippines Chapter was approved in May 1, 2012. The chapter has 18 members. The current leadership of the ISPOR Philippines Chapter is comprised of the following:

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For more information on the ISPOR Philippines Chapter, please visit the ISPOR Regional Chapter website at [http://www.ispor.org/regional\\_chapters/Philippines/index.asp](http://www.ispor.org/regional_chapters/Philippines/index.asp).

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Activities / Accomplishments	Summary
<b>Scientific / Educational Activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organized educational forums, such as:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>“Improving access to and use of medicines: Recommendations from the 2011 Third International Conference on Improving Use of Medicines,”</b> presented by Dr. Dennis Ross-Degnan and Dr. Anita Wagner from Harvard Medical School and Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Institute last September 2012. These health experts discussed issues and health policies related to improving accessibility, affordability and appropriate use of medicines among vulnerable populations, particularly in low and middle income countries such as the Philippines</li> <li>• <b>“Data, data, data: the insatiable need for data in population-based chronic disease research,”</b> led by Dr. Dexter Canoy from the Cancer Epidemiology Unit, University of Oxford in the UK on January 10, 2013. He explored the importance of various sources of data and databases in the conduct of population-based research on chronic non-communicable diseases, future challenges in this field of research, and the challenge to pursue such research based on Philippine data</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Conferences and/or Chapter Meetings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ISPOR Philippines First General Assembly, Election of Chapter Officers and Mapping of Activities on June 2012</li> <li>• 5<sup>th</sup> ISPOR Asia-Pacific Conference in Taipei, Taiwan last September 2012 (attended by the ISPOR Philippines Chapter President)</li> <li>• ISPOR Philippines Executive Committee Meeting with Dr. Kalipso Chalkidou of National Institute of Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) International and Mr. John Appleby of The King’s Fund on December 2012</li> </ul>
<b>Membership Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initially welcomed 12 members during the First General Assembly in June 2012</li> <li>• Six more members were added in the succeeding months</li> </ul>
<b>Others</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted training needs assessment to technical staff of the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) as preparatory work for their impending appreciation course on HTA</li> </ul>

### Upcoming Activities for ISPOR Philippines Chapter 2013

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activities</b>
<b>February 2013</b>	HTA Appreciation Course for Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth)
<b>May 2013</b>	ISPOR Asia Pacific Consortium Strategic Planning/Roundtable Discussion (Philippines as Host Country)
	Introductory and Advanced HTA Training Course in partnership with ISPOR and NICE International