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Background:

The ISPOR Philippines Chapter was approved in May 1, 2012. At present, the chapter has 31 members.

The current leadership of the ISPOR Philippines Chapter is comprised of the following:

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Enclosure: ISPOR Philippines Chapter Annual Report 2013
### Activities / Accomplishments

#### Scientific / Educational Activities
- **Health Technology Assessment (HTA) in the context of Pharmacoeconomics and Health Financing: An Appreciation Course.** The AIM Zuellig Center along with the Chapter conducted a customized HTA appreciation course for the technical staff or members of the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) last May 27-31, 2013. This course aimed to: 1) Provide an overview of the basic concepts and principles of HTA; 2) Promote an appreciation for the value of HTA in work relating to pharmacoeconomics and health financing; and 3) Translate HTA concepts into real-world applications through comprehensive discussion and analyses. Thirty four (34) representatives from PhilHealth’s central and regional offices attended the said activity.

- **Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Across Asia: An HTA Symposium.** The Chapter, in partnership with the AIM Zuellig Center conducted an HTA Symposium last October 3, 2013 at the Asian Institute of Management. This activity an overview of HTA Key Principles and presented the local and regional HTA landscape. In addition to the roster of local expert speakers, the chapter was to invite four (4) international experts who came from Taiwan, China, Indonesia, and the United States. It was a whole day event and there was a good mixture of participants coming from different sectors with some international delegates coming from the Indonesia Ministry of Health.

#### Conferences and/or Chapter Meetings
- 2nd ISPOR Philippines Executive Meeting - January 31, 2013 at the Asian Institute of Management (AIM), Makati City
- 3rd ISPOR Philippines Executive Meeting along with Department of Health (DOH) Representatives - September 15, 2013 at DOH, Manila
- ISPOR Philippines Small Group Meeting – October 3, 2013 at AIM, Makati City

#### Membership Development
- The Chapter is currently comprised of 31 members coming from different sectors (e.g. government, industry, academe, etc…)

#### Others
- The Chapter hosted the ISPOR 19th Health Technology Assessment Round Table Discussions (HTA in Asia) which was attended by HTA Movers and Experts across the Asian region. Each delegate presented their current HTA initiatives with on-line presentations from other experts who weren’t able to physically participate in the said forum.
## Upcoming Activities for ISPOR Philippines Chapter 2014

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