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Background:

The ISPOR Qatar Chapter was approved in January 2013. The chapter has 7 members.

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

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### ISPOR Qatar Chapter Annual Report 2013

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| Scientific / Educational Activities | The Chapter has organized the following workshops: - Pharmacoeconomics in practice, at the CPPD (continuing professional pharmacy development), Qatar University, Qatar. Presenter: ISPOR Qatar Chapter, January 2014  
- Introduction to Pharmacoeconomics, at Al Wakra Hospital, Doha, Qatar. Presenter: ISPOR Qatar Chapter, January 2014  
- Basics of translational research, at Al Wakra Hospital, Doha, Qatar. Presenter: Dr. Ahmed Nader (Qatar University), December 2013  
- Data collection techniques and instruments, at Introduction to Research Methodology for Pharmacists Workshop, Muscat, Oman. Presenter: ISPOR Qatar Chapter, September 2013  
- Critical appraisal of research articles in pharmacy, at Introduction to Research Methodology for Pharmacists Workshop, Muscat, Oman. Presenter: ISPOR Qatar Chapter, September 2013  
- How statistics impact pharmacy practice, at Al Amal Cancer Center, Doha, Qatar. Presenter: ISPOR Qatar Chapter, June 2013  
- What study design should I use? at Al Wakra hospital, Doha, Qatar. Presenter: ISPOR Qatar Chapter, June 2013  

The Chapter has participated in the following oral educational presentations:  
- Impact of health technologies toward human well-being: do we need structured analysis? Second International Conference of Pharmacoeconomics & Outcomes Research. ISPOR-India Chapter, New Delhi, India. October 2013  
- Healthcare practice research for continuous quality improvement. Al-Wakra Hospital, Doha, Qatar. May 2013  
- Research based learning as an instructional method in the pharmacy curriculum. 4th Annual Office of Faculty and Instructional Development Days, Qatar University, Doha, Qatar. February 2013  

The Chapter is a member of the ISPOR Arabic Network. In 2013, the Network, including ISPOR Qatar Chapter, worked extensively on the translation of the ISPOR Book of Terms into the Arabic language. This activity is completed with the book development in its final stages. |
### Policy-Related Activities

The Chapter is a member on the following national level committees for policy making:
- Technical Committee on the Development of Qatar National Formulary (QNF), Drug and Control Department, Supreme Council of Health, Doha, Qatar. Since October 2013
- Research Sub-Committee, Academic Health System Initiative, Hamad Medical Corporation and its partners (Weill Cornel, QU, CNAQ, UC-Q). since January 2013

### Conferences and/or Chapter Meetings

The Chapter presented at the following conference/meeting events:

- Use and misuse of cost-effectiveness terminology in the cancer literature. College of Pharmacy 3rd Annual Research Forum, Qatar University, Doha, Qatar. May 2013

- Drug Utilization and cost trends for anti-diabetic agents in Qatar. College of Pharmacy 3rd Annual Research Forum, Qatar University, Doha, Qatar. May 2013

- The economic impact of the only college of pharmacy in Qatar. DUPHAT, uabai, UAE. March 2013

- Graphic health warnings on cigarette packs in Qatar: pre-implementation awareness and perception among the general public. ISPOR 4th Latin America Conference. Buenos Aires, Argentina. September 2013

- Water pipe smoking among the general population in Qatar: prevalence, perceptions and correlates of quitting intention. First International Conference on Water pipe Tobacco Research. Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. October 2013


- The economic impact of the only college of pharmacy in Qatar. College of Pharmacy 3rd Annual Research Forum, Qatar University, Doha, Qatar. May 2013

- Pharmacoeconomic evaluation of systemic antifungals in pediatrics with febrile neutropenia in Turkey. Faculty Research Seminar Series, College of Pharmacy, Qatar University, Doha, Qatar. May 2013

- Utilization and Predictors of Proton Pump Inhibitors Co-Prescription in Patients with Acute Coronary Syndrome Receiving Dual Antiplatelet Therapy in Qatar. College of Pharmacy 3rd Annual Student Research Evening, Qatar University. Doha, Qatar. May 2013

- Assessment of ability of making differential diagnosis and disease management of acute respiratory tract Infections (ARTI) at community pharmacies in Qatar. College of Pharmacy 3rd Annual Student Research Evening, Qatar University. Doha, Qatar. May 2013

- Health care data in Qatar: challenges in collecting, sharing and applying. 18th Annual International Meeting of ISPOR, New Orleans, USA. May 2013


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<td>- Members from a variety of institutions in Qatar joined the Chapter in its first year. However, several of these were found to be too busy to effectively participate in the Chapter meetings. These have recently been replaced with individuals from the same institutions, who are willing to be more committed to Chapter activities</td>
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<td>- Relevant to the size of Qatar, it is believed that the Chapter has performed well especially in relation to activities in its first year. The Chapter members involved are appropriate.</td>
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<td>- College of Pharmacy news, Qatar University: <a href="http://www.qu.edu.qa/pharmacy/about_us/news_archive/2013.php">http://www.qu.edu.qa/pharmacy/about_us/news_archive/2013.php</a></td>
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<td>Research projects that are underway:</td>
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<td>- A randomized double-blind controlled trial of intravenous olanzapine plus midazolam, haloperidol plus midazolam, versus olanzapine alone in acute agitation in the emergency department setting in Qatar. Funded by Qatar</td>
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### Foundation (NPRP 7-231-3-052), Qatar

- The impact of an evidence-based drug selection approach in Hamad Medical Corporation in Qatar. Funded by Qatar Foundation (NPRP 5-284-3-083), Qatar

- Cost-effectiveness of a community pharmacy based cessation program in the state of Qatar. Funded by Qatar Foundation (NPRP 4-716-3-203), Qatar

- Impact of Insulin vs Oral Hypoglycaemic Therapy on Economic and Clinical Outcomes in Poorly Controlled Type II DM Outpatients. Funded by Qatar Foundation (UREP 13-058-3-013), Qatar

- Effectiveness of a Research Training Program on Improving Health-related Research Capacity of Pharmacists at National Center for Cancer Care and Research and the National Heart Hospital in Qatar. Funded by Qatar Foundation (UREP 13-064-3-017), Qatar

- Utilization and Predictors of Proton Pump Inhibitors Use in Patients with Acute Coronary Syndrome Receiving Dual Antiplatelet Therapy in Qatar. Funded by Qatar University (QUST-CPH-SPR-12/13-13), Qatar

### Upcoming Activities for ISPOR Qatar Chapter 2014

*Note: Several more activities are anticipated in 2014, but these are the ones that are relatively certain at this stage.*

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