

ISPOR South Africa Chapter Annual Report 2009

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Background:

The South Africa Local Chapter was accepted in June 2007. The chapter currently has 84 members.

The Executive Board of the South Africa Local Chapter during 2009 was:

President: Dr. Jacques Snyman (M.B., Ch.B.)

Product Development Director, Agility Global Health Solutions Africa.

Mr. Mark Brand (MBA (Strategic marketing))

Strategy Consultant Healthcare Technology, Brandtech, Johannesburg

Ms. Shelley McGee (B.Sc; B.Pharm; PGDip Health Economics)

Pharmacist: Health Economics Unit; Clinical Policy Unit; Discovery Health, Sandton

Dr. Jacqui Miot (B. Pharm, Ph.D)

Senior lecturer, Department of Clinical Epidemiology, Tswane University of Technology.

Ms. Kirti Narsai (B.Pharm)

Head of Scientific & Regulatory Affairs - PIASA(Pharmaceutical Industry Association of South Africa)

Mr. Fuad Salie (B.Pharm.)

Outcomes Research Manager. Pfizer South Africa. Sandton, South Africa

During the year, following the resignation of two board members, we were honoured with the addition of two new board members from the pharmaceutical and devices industry in the country:

Mr. Huib Scheijbeler, MSc (Pharmaceutical Sciences).

Market Access Manager, Wyeth South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Now part of Pfizer South Africa)

Mr. Joubert Krugel (B.Pharm)

Reimbursement Manager; Reimbursement & Health Economics; Medtronic Africa (Pty) Ltd

For more information on the South Africa Local Chapter, please visit the ISPOR Regional Chapter website at http://www.ispor.org/local_chapters/South Africa/index.asp.

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ISPOR SOUTH AFRICA ACTIVITIES 2009

The changeover to the new board of directors caused some delays in getting started in 2009, but the regional chapter congress held in September gave much impetus to the Society for the remainder of the year going into 2010.

Summary Table of Activities for 2009

| Dates - 2009 | Agenda/Meeting | Speaker/Moderator | Details |
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| 24 th February | General Meeting of ISPOR South Africa for Election of new board members | Prof. Tienie Stander | New board of directors and president elected as per constitution |
| 22 nd September | 2nd Annual ISPOR SA Congress held at Rhuslancea, Gauteng | Prof. Jacques Snyman Prof. Marc Blockman Mr. Gavin Steele Dr. Trevor Terblanche Ms. Kirti Narsai Dr. Renato Dellamano (international guest speaker) | Discussions: Proposed national health insurance Skills in health economics in South Africa (PIASA survey) Need for a national body to assess cost effectiveness |
| 22 nd September | 3 rd Annual General Meeting of ISPOR South Africa held at Rhuslancea South Africa | Prof. Jacques Snyman | Reporting of audited financial statements Recommendations from membership as to activities for ISPOR SA going into 2010. |
| 22 nd and 23 rd September | Post-conference workshops in association with the Pharmaceutical Care management Association (PCMA) | Ms. Adie Bryson Dr. Jacqui Miot | Topics: Risk Sharing Pharmaceutical Pricing Patient Registries |
| 01 October | Launched the ISPOR SA Newsletter – Issue 1 | Ms. Shelley McGee | Newsletter intended to raise awareness around ISPOR SA and its activities. Issue 1 summarized discussions at the ISPOR SA congress and highlighted upcoming activities |
| 24-27 October | Attendance at 12 th Annual ISPOR European Congress. Poster presentations by board members | Dr. Jacqui Miot Mr. Huib Scheijbeler | |

| 15 December | Issue 2 of ISPOR SA Newsletter | Ms. Shelley McGee | Summarized exciting discussions and developments at ISPOR Europe; Advertised the working groups for 2010 and invited participation from members. |
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| Ongoing | Technical working groups Alternative Reimbursement agreements – standards and guidance working group. Standard Value dossier working group | Mr. Mark Brand and Mr. Joubert Krugel Mr. Huib Scheijbeler and Ms. Shelley McGee | Draft scope for value dossier group complete – to be reconciled following meeting with Department of Health in 2010 (see below) |

ISPOR SA Newsletter

Recognizing the need for heightened awareness around ISPOR SA and its activities, the board launched a newsletter, to be published every second month, discussing any latest news of interest in the global environment of pharmacoeconomics and outcomes research and highlighting local events, meetings and training.

This has been distributed not only to the local chapter members, but to a larger database of interested parties, and we hope it will generate some more interest as well as increasing the membership base.

By the end of 2009, we had sent out 2 issues (October – ISPOR Conference South Africa; December – ISPOR Europe Congress).

The third issue is planned for February 2010 – Patient reported outcomes

ISPOR SA Congress 2009

The second annual congress of the local chapter was held in September attracting around 70 delegates from the local pharmaceutical, devices and funding industries. Feedback from attendees has been extremely positive, although there was some concern expressed about the need to ensure that the local universities become more involved, and that the congress becomes the prime showcase for the research being done locally in the areas of pharmacoeconomics and outcomes.

This matter is being actively taken up by the board of directors.

Upcoming Chapter Activities 2010

| Dates - 2010 | Agenda/Meeting | Speaker/Responsible Board member | Details |
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| February | First working group meetings for 2010 | Mark Brand Joubert Krugel Huib Scheijbeler Shelley McGee | New Working groups are newly formulated and need to be established. |
| February | Meeting with the South African Department of Health Economics Unit to discuss draft pharmacoeconomic guidelines and other for the country | Kirti Narsai | ISPOR-SA's working groups must work in tandem with the Department of Health's proposed guidelines for pharmacoeconomic assessment – these have yet to be published. |
| February - September | Active engagement by board at local university level to encourage participation from academia and research institutions | Jacques Snyman Shelley McGee Jacqui Miot | Board members have previously been allocated educational institutions to contact – this to be driven as a special project for 2010. |
| 15 February | ISPOR 2010 Newsletter Issue 1 | Ms. Shelley McGee | FDA Outcomes research guidance published in December 2010 local working groups |
| 12 th -15 th April | TreeAge Training Workshop | Dominic Tilden (speaker) | 2 sets of 2-day workshops designed to give detailed insight into TreeAge Pro software for pharmacoeconomic modelling |
| 13 th -17 th September | 3 rd Annual ISPOR SA Conference | Speakers To Be Confirmed | |