Background:

Thailand Chapter was accepted in January, 2005. The Chapter has 12 individual members.

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For more information of Thailand Chapter, please visit ISPOR local chapter website at http://www.ispor.org/local_chapters/Thailand/index.asp.

Annual Report of ISPOR-Thailand Chapter, 2006

After International Society of Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research (ISPOR) Thailand Chapter was founded in 2005, a few meetings were held. Primary objective of the meetings was to fulfill missions proposed by the chapter. The missions include 1) To provide an environment for knowledge sharing among researchers, healthcare practitioners, and decision-makers interested in pharmacoeconomics and outcomes research 2) To serve as a bridge in bringing together Thai researchers, healthcare practitioners, and decision-makers interested in pharmacoeconomics and members of the pharmaceutical industry, health-related organizations, and academia. 3) To act as a resource at a local level for individuals including students interested in pharmacoeconomics and outcomes research 4) To provide an opportunity for Thailand chapter members to become more familiar with the activities of ISPOR as well as participate in its activities.

This annual meeting includes four parts which are summary of meeting minutes, major outcome of year 2006, plan for future activity, and conclusion.

Summary of Meeting Minutes:

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| February 20th, 2006 | -Approve minute of last meeting  
-Approval of ISPOR-Thailand chapter  
-An update for hosting ISPOR Asia-Pacific conference  
-How to recruit more members  
-Annual planning for activities  
-How to fund the activities of our chapter  
-ISPOR 2nd Asia-Pacific conference  
-Plan for a survey of Pharmacoeconomics teaching in pharmacy curriculum |
| June 7th, 2006 | -Development of “Health Technology Assessment Program (HTAP)” by Ministry of Public Health  
-Initiate an inaugural ISPOR Thailand Chapter meeting  
  review the objectives of this meeting  
  set a tentative schedule for the meeting  
  assignment for organizing the meeting  
-Plan for developing name list and contacting email address for ISPOR Thailand Chapter  
  an account such as isporThailand@yahoo.com was set |
| July 24th, 2006 | -Make a follow-up for the ISPOR Thailand Chapter Inaugural Meeting  
-Finalize funding agency for the ISPOR meeting  
-Discuss roadmap of Pharmacoeconomics which is one of the meeting issues  
-Update about economic evaluation use in essential drug list committee. Health economic advisory group will be formed.  
-News from Asia-Pacific ISPOR teleconference |
Major Outcomes of Year 2006:

1. Number of members: 51
2. The ISPOR Thailand Chapter Inaugural Meeting
3. Roadmap for pharmacoeconomics in Thailand
4. Networks in Thailand e.g. national guideline for economic evaluation working group, advisory committee for economic evaluation of essential drug list development

Plan for Future Activities - 2007:

Annual meeting in October 2007: more comprehensive style

Conclusions:

ISPOR Thailand Chapter was founded at the end of 2005. It has grown up relatively fast. It has more 50 members across the country. The first ISPOR Thailand Chapter inaugural meeting was held in September with a great success. A number of health care professionals, including policy makers and practitioners, attended the meeting. They were from both public and private sectors. A roadmap of pharmacoeconomics in Thailand was proposed for action. Some Pharmacoeconomics Networks were established and people in the network have contributed their work at the national level.

However, the chapter is at the beginning phase. All of the chapter committee obtained supports from their own institutions to work for the chapter. To date, the chapter itself does not have fund for activities. This problem needed to be solved to strengthen the chapter sovereignty.