Dear FIP member

I know we are well into the new year, however, I still need to Welcome you all to 2020! Most of you will have started 2020 at a jogging pace, whilst a few have already moved into the sprinting phase, I hope this was not too onerous nor stressful for you. I know that our permanent Secretary, Jane Dawson was hard at work early this year Chairing the international taskforce to produce the FIP Health Advisory *Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 Outbreak: Information and interim guidelines for pharmacists and the pharmacy workforce* for FIP. On 10 Feb 20, Jane also gave a webinar on the topic, over two time slots. Thank you, Jane.

From an Australian perspective, another of our family members, Mel Morrow, was deployed with the AUSMAT to Christmas Island to deal with the evacuees from China. She may have also been involved with cruise liner evacuees at Howard Springs near Darwin. Thank you, Mel.

On behalf of the MEPS Board, I wish you all a very healthy, happy, safe and successful 2020.

Regards,
Wendy

*Wendy Walker, Communications Officer*
FIP Coronavirus Guidelines and Resources

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For those of you who are not aware of where to find the FIP Guidelines and other resources, here are the weblinks:

CORONAVIRUS SARS-CoV-2 OUTBREAK: Information and interim guidelines for pharmacists and the pharmacy workforce: https://www.fip.org/file/4428

SARS-CoV-2 outbreak preparedness: https://www.fip.org/coronavirus


MEPS in Abu Dhabi Post Congress Report Part 2

Part two of the ABi Dhabi post congress report contains the list of presentations we had, together with some of the questions asked of each speaker and the answers given. If
Requests

Webinars
If you have any ideas, or would like to volunteer to give a webinar presentation, please contact MEPS webinar facilitator: Steve Shaddock on: steveshaddock53@gmail.com

FIP members can review all FIP past webinars on the FIP library at the following website: https://www.fip.org/events?tab=2&eventCategory=&eventWhen=previous

Speakers Required for FIP Congresses
In order to continue to provide relevant, topical and informative sessions, The MEPS Programme Committee is requesting nominations for speakers for future FIP Congresses in Cape Town, South Africa 2022, and all future Congresses.

If you would like to make a presentation at a future Congress, please submit your ideas to one, or both, of the MEPS Programme Committee:
- Nita Sood - sood415@gmail.com or
- Steve Shaddock - steveshaddock53@gmail.com

Giving a presentation will provide you with an opportunity to showcase the great work you are doing in the military or emergency pharmacy in your own country or abroad.

Newsletter Contribution Request
Anyone who has a contribution for the newsletter - be it information about their role, items of interest, or requests for information from members of MEPS - please submit your contribution to MEPS communications officer on MEPS@fip.org

Notices & upcoming events

including pictures of MEPS at dinner at Byblos Sur Mer is here>
Webinar - Pharmacists managing cancer
The webinar will take place on 11 March at 16:00 CET and on 12 March at 09:00 CET. Register here: https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/8877404509624214284?source=NCDs+ca+IM More>

Webinar - Mass vaccination campaigns
The webinar will take place on 23 April at 18:00 AEST. Register here: https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8101147102602922765. More>

About - Military and Emergency Pharmacy Section -
Our objective is to establish close collaboration and co-operation between pharmacists who work in the military and with the NGOs that respond in times of emergency, whether the emergency is as a result of a natural disaster or man-made. More>

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