



Academic Pharmacy Section

Annual Report 2021

AcPS Executive committee members:

- President: Prof Toyin Tofade (USA)
- Vice President: Dr Arijana Meštrović (Croatia)
- Secretary: Dr Naoko Arakawa (UK/Japan)
- Treasurer: Dr Carl Schneider (Australia)
- Immediate-past President: Prof John Pieper (USA)
- ExCo members: Prof Rula Darwish (Jordan), Prof Aukje Mantel-Teeuwisse (Netherlands), Dr Abdikarim Abdi (Turkey), Dr Martin Henman (Ireland), Ms Mansi Doshi (India), Dr Arinola Joda (Nigeria)

AcPS ExCo meetings

ExCo members held monthly meetings to discuss the section business and activities between January and August 2022. Additionally, AcPS ExCo had a 1.5-day virtual retreat (3 and 4 April) to discuss and update the section strategic goals and objectives. A virtual town hall meeting was held (5 July) at two different times to engage with geographically broader members on a draft version of renewed strategic goals and objectives. Open comments were also collected from members who were not able to attend town hall meetings via an online questionnaire form.

AcPS special projects

AcPS leads some special projects and collaborates with other constituencies in FIP to carry out special projects.

- Competency Framework for Pharmaceutical Educators (led by Dr Arijana Meštrović)

The framework will be launched in Autumn 2022.

- Nanjing Statements Self-Assessment Tool (led by Prof Toyin Tofade)
- Transforming community pharmacy globally: Implementation of pharmacists vaccination in a FIP region – India (BPP project in collaboration with CPS – AcPS led by Dr Carl Schneider and Ms Mansi Doshi)
 - To date we have recruited stakeholder participants, obtained permission to adapt an existing vaccination training curriculum and we are currently in the process of adapting the curriculum for India.

- Plans are also underway to identify vaccine types, resource requirements, regions and sites for the pilot and implementation

AcPS internal projects

Under the current AcPS strategic goals (approved by members in 2019), 8 working groups were working with members to meet goals and objectives. Two working groups (strategic monitoring WG and Financial WG) were for the section governance, but the others have ongoing projects.

- Educator development WG (led by Prof Rula Darwish; co-lead Mansi Doshi)

Many Academic Section members participated in the achievements of this working group. Without their efforts and commitments these would have not been accomplished. Some projects are also undertaken with members of other sections and this reflect ONE FIP.

Objective 1: Support leadership development for educators at all levels through collaboration with other FIP units (Objective 1 Lead: Toyin Tofade) Achievements: Leadership development program led by the Section President, Toyin Tofade (WDG6 Lead) together with the planning committee: Miranda Law, John Ly, Renly Lim and Aya Jamal, has been offered for the second year consecutively. Leaders and future leaders from various regions and different parts of the world have been involved and attended this programme Book chapter on CPD in low middle income countries (LMIC) Amy Chan and Rula Darwish (WDG9 Leads)

Objective 2: Advance pharmaceutical education through identification and dissemination of best practice and developmental tools/materials in educator professional development (Objective 2 Lead: Dale English) Achievements: Work on development of a survey instrument to utilize and identify the needs of colleagues and their preferred method(s) of information based on their regional needs and technologies Exploring collaborations with the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) Global Pharmacy Education SIG

Objective 3: Build capacity in faculty, preceptors and programme educators to meet education standards and/or accreditation criteria through assistance programmes including use of FIP tools and strategic documents – Pharmabridge initiative (Objective 3 Lead: Jodie Malhotra) Achievements: Working on development of a CPD program for academic pharmacists (including webinars) that address needs identified in the survey Work on development of qualitative and quantitative assessments to evaluate the CPD program and FIP training program (PharmaBridge, UNITWIN)

Objective 4: Promote scholarship in pharmaceutical education (Objective 4 Leads: Melody Ryan and KarenBeth Bohan) Achievements: Planning to conduct webinars on educational research and Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) Work ongoing to publish special issue of Pharmacy Education to highlight accomplishments of Academic Section and promote excellence in pharmacy education

Objective 5: Identify career needs through engagement with appropriate stakeholders (Objective 5 Lead: Barry Bleidt; Co-leads: Ehab Abourashed, Mansi Doshi) Achievement: A survey was developed to address career development needs and opportunities of interest to identified stakeholder groups

- Word Congress planning WG (led by Dr Arijana Meštrović, Dr Martin Henman, and Dr Arinola Joda)
- Collaboration and communication WG (led by Ms Mansi Doshi; Co-lead Dr Arinola Joda)

Monthly WG meetings with active participation of members has led to lead/support different activities-

Newsletter-This working group, as the name aptly indicates, publishes 5 issues of its newsletter annually to share information and updates about the executive committee, section and working groups activities with members. Also included there in is information about AIM and workforce development hub, and academic programmes and resources of the FIP. Different avenues have been identified to encourage and improve global academic collaboration and connections among FIP members, be it pharmaceutical educators, scientists or practitioners. A section on 'Know Your FIP' was introduced in 2022 as was one on 'One FIP-Digital Events', and more are in the planning phase to support and enhance participation and collaboration.

FB-The Section Facebook account is active with at least fortnightly posts and also includes planned introduction to Section members.

Twitter-A structure for Live Twitter Chats has been planned for 2022-23, with relevant areas of discussion outlined. Identified experts have been approached. Activities of the twitter subcommittee has led to 2 recent working group members joiners, one of who also only joined the FIP with the connections of and to support this subcommittee.

The CCWG is collaborating with the Membership WG on a project for which LTCs will also be used as a platform. This is gaining strength with the active membership of the WG lead also as the co-lead for the membership WG. This has also led to collaboration of the 2 WGs on the transition of the newly developed (2021) AcPS LinkedIn group under the OneFIP LinkedIn umbrella.

- Programme design and assessment WG (led by Dr Naoko Arakawa and Dr Martin Henman)

A series of WG meetings has been held with volunteer AcPS members. Members were updated with an ongoing project regarding the FIP Competency-based Education implementation handbook and a completed project of FIP online programme on digital health in pharmacy education. The WG discussed a new possible online programme for teaching and learning and progressed the collaboration with educator development WG.

- Membership WG (led by Dr Abdikarim Abdi; Co-lead Mansi Doshi)

A novel project has been planned by this WG to improve membership of the section. Implementation of this will be in collaboration with the CCWG.

The LinkedIn group created in 2021 has over 70 members with the WG lead and co-lead as managers. Relevant documentation and guidance has been reviewed in association with Collaboration and Communication lead at HQ and AcPS CCWG lead. This group is now under the One FIP LinkedIn umbrella alongside other sections. The aim of this groups is to improve collaboration in research among members

- Poster and Abstract Adjudication WG (led by Prof Aukje Mantel-Teeuwisse)

The section received initially 122 abstracts. 18 of these received ones were outside the scope of the section. These were referred to other sections for review. Remaining abstracts were reviewed by 17 section members in the WG.