HPS Annual Report 2017

The Hospital pharmacy section has had several accomplishments through the outstanding work of its officers, executive committee and involved members.

1. HPS reached over 400 registrants through its Webinar series. John Hertig, HPS member, has done a great job in coordinating webinars on the following subjects: Hazardous Drug Safety, The Use of Pictograms and Infographics to Support Medication Literacy and Medication Adherence, Antimicrobial Use and the Value of Stewardship Globally, Hospital Pharmacy Automation Internationally: Impact on Patient Safety and Advice and Tips for FIP Poster and Abstract Development. Lecturers from 7 countries were involved as presenters in the Webinar Series.

2. Communication with members and highlighting hospital pharmacy practice around the world has been a focus of the HPS Newsletter. Lisa Potter and Jonathan Penm have rotated editing the newsletter with major contributions from the HPS Vice Presidents in each of the WHO regions. It has been our aim to focus on HPS members worldwide.

3. Research has been an area of significant involvement and accomplishments (see also highlighting one activity below). Members of the research committee of HPS known as WHoPreC have published several articles on the Basel Statements and have helped administer the HPS grant application and review process. The whole executive committee of HPS was involved in a successful FIP Special Project grant application on coordinating Pharmabridge visits with learning about and applying Basel Statements on return to their home country. This grant will be managed by Rebekah Moles and Jonathan Penm.

4. HPS, through its executive committee and officers have promoted the Basel Statements and the advancement of hospital pharmacy practice through presentations given in several countries. Examples include large meetings in Japan, the eastern Mediterranean and the ASHP Midyear Clinical Meeting

HPS is particularly proud of the completion and publication of the manuscripts from two grants that it funded in 2016. These grants were received by Cristina Sanches Giraud from Brazil whose publication on The Hospital Pharmacy Workforce in Brazil is: https://human-resources-health.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12960-017-0265-5, and by Stephen Eckel of the USA. He is looking for a publisher for his An Analysis of Hospital Pharmacy Practice in Six Countries of Sub-Saharan Africa based on the International Pharmaceutical Federation Basel Statements on the Future of Hospital Pharmacy manuscript. Jim Stevenson, HPS Treasurer coordinated these grants. These completed grant projects relate to BPP goals to Advance pharmacy education and develop and expand continuing education, and, Encourage research into all fields of pharmaceutical practice.

(The HPS is also proud of the recognition of its members Mary Wang appointed to the FIP Program Committee, Latif Sheik appointed to the FIP Working Group on Product Selection, Jacqueline Surugue elected to the FIP Council and Marianne Ivey for receiving the ASHP Donald E. Francke Medal for international contributions.)

Goals for 2018:

Goal #1: To work with a third party on a bold goal to further implement the Basel Statements in two low or mid income countries. We are working with the William Davidson Institute of the University of Michigan and are focusing on Namibia and Pakistan
Goal #2: To increase HPS presence on social media with scheduled updates of material from each executive committee VP and interested members

Goal #3: To continue to offer high quality online hospital pharmacy educational programs that are meaningful to a wide range of countries through using the Webinar venue