Health and Medicines Information Section
Annual Report 2018

FIP Congress in Glasgow, 2018
HaMIS has been involved in organising or co-organising a number of sessions for the upcoming Congress. All sessions were successful and well-attended.

Stipend 2018
Each year the Health and Medicines Information Section offers one or two stipends (1000 Euros for one person or 500 Euros for two people) to financially support pharmacy students, pharmacists or pharmaceutical scientists from developing countries to attend the FIP World Pharmacy Congress. In 2018 we had a record 66 applications for the stipend (compared to 22 in 2017), received from 29 countries (compared to 10 in 2017): Afghanistan, Algeria, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Cyprus, DR Congo, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Greece, India, Indonesia, Iran, Kenya, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Republic of Armenia, Rwanda, Senegal. Serbia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Tanzania, UAE, Zimbabwe. Our stipend awardee, however, was unable to attend the Congress!

Stipend 2019
We have commenced advertising for 2019.

FIP 2019
The Section has worked collaboratively with a number of other Sections and SIGs to submit several proposals for the 2019 Congress.

FIP 2020
The Section has been an collaborator with other Sections in submitting proposals for FIP 2020.

Working Groups
At the FIP 2018 Congress, the Section formed three Working Groups:
• Vaccines
• Digital Health
• Improving Written Discharge Medication Information for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Communities

The third Working Group links with the BPP Special Project:
BPP Special Project: Received funding for a BPP Special Project ‘Improving Written Discharge Medication Information for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Communities’. Also, received funding from the University of Sydney School of Pharmacy in support of this application. The project aims to develop clear and understandable written discharge medication information in several languages to be used in culturally and linguistically diverse communities by pharmacy staff.