

Military and Emergency Pharmacy Section

Annual Report 2018

- Completion of the project on developing information / frequently asked questions resources on the use of medicines during Ramadan
 - Development of a Memorandum of Understanding with the International Committee of Military Medicine. Approved by FIP. For signing during ICMM World Congress in May 2019.
 - 3 webinars, 4 newsletters
 - Very successful Congress in Glasgow.
 - Initiation of a project on compiling a resource library for emergency / humanitarian resources
 - Initiation on a project on researching the effects of extreme temperatures on medicines in order to produce some guidance for members.
 - Working Group on developing a competence framework for humanitarian pharmacists. Significant progress. Completion of the task list and collaboration with FIPeD for translation into competencies.
 - Very good outreach from members presenting at other Congresses / Conferences
 - Great communication between members using the WhatsApp Chat Groups.
- One significant activity is the initiation of a collaborative Supply Chain Special Interest Group, in collaboration with the Industrial Pharmacy Section. This is meeting the vision under Pillar 2 of working with Interprofessional Teams and Collaborative Practice. Pharmacists and possibly other related professionals working together to discuss and potentially resolve issues in an area of practice that impacts on us all. One initial meeting was conducted and this confirmed the interest of the group and the fit with MEPS subject and orientation. A WhatsApp group was also created for this group. One of MEPS VP is also now focussed on this group.

Goals for 2019:

- Goal #1: To commence the identification of resources for the resource list for managing medicines in extreme temperatures.
- Goal #2: To develop the Terms of Reference for the Supply Chain Special Interest Group
- Goal #3: To sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the International Committee of Military Medicine.