

## Minutes

### APA Global Health Task Force Teleconference

July 11, 2013

Present: Drs Alvin Zipursky, Andrew Sherman, Chuck Schubert, Elizabeth Lowenthal, Jim Harisiades, Mirzada Kurbasic, Robert Bortolussi, Tanya Arora, Yvonne Vaucher, Nicole St. Clair, Ruth Etzel (Chair)

1. Review and approval of draft minutes from June 2013 teleconference:

Reviewed draft minutes from the June 6<sup>th</sup> teleconference of the Global Health Task Force (GHTF).

- No changes, minutes approved as is. Christen will have them posted on the GHTF website.

2. Dr. Ruth Etzel, Review of DRAFT Faculty Competencies in Global Health:

- Document sent as attachment w/agenda, asked for feedback on arrangement:
  - Dr. Etzel- 4 subgroups: Research subgroup, education subgroup, administration subgroup, and clinical subgroup. Is this a logical way to put in the document?
  - Jim Harisiades- notes stylistic differences; suggests that one person needs to go through and do editing so it looks more like 1 unified document.
  - Dr. Vaucher- agrees; need a single person or a single group to complete the editing.
  - Dr. Bortolussi- the intended message is appropriate; however, the introduction might be too repetitive and elaborate.
  - Dr. Etzel- lead persons in the small writing group should revise each section with an eye to consistency, format, and style. Any changes/suggestions should be done using “tracked changes” mode and sent to Dr. Etzel by the end of July.
  - Dr. Kurbasic- looks good, agrees to work on their clinical part for consistency.

3. Next steps (including identifying lead for qualitative analysis of results from circulating 2 short questions to colleagues):

- Dr. Etzel- introduced Dr. Andrew Sherman from Rochester who has volunteered to assist with the qualitative research project. Another qualitative researcher, Senela, Dr. Bortolussi’s colleague, has just finished her MSc and is also interested in participating. The group should discuss whether this separate project can be done without significant funding; there are little to no funds available from the GHTF.

- Dr. Bortolussi- was impressed with Senela from a previous research project she completed. Feels it will be a win/win situation with the combination of Dr. Sherman and Senela, as their areas of expertise are somewhat different, but would be good together.
- Dr. Vaucher- it will take a fair amount of time and will require some funding.
- Dr. Harisiades- can we lend this to senior project work?
- Dr. Sherman- might have too much on his plate; in a good position to do it, interest wise, but time is an important factor. Can recruit a few people to help with analysis and working with Senela could be a great collaboration. How many questions and how many responses do we want? If you want 50 participants, that would be reasonable, but more than 200 requires more work. Would have to think about what type of funding would be needed.
- Dr. Bortolussi- agrees that numbers of responses is critical, anticipates the number of participants to be lower, around 50. Several of us working together to try and get a dozen or so responses from a geographical area would be ideal. The 2 questions that have been proposed are:

1. "Name three key abilities of a person from the developed world that help in developing a successful research collaboration?"

a) .....

b) .....

c) .....

Any further comments:"

2. "What personal characteristics of a person from the developed world may impede successful research collaboration?"

a) .....

b) .....

c) .....

Any further comments:"

- Dr. Sherman- if it's a 2 paragraph response, it will take more time, but if it's a 2 or 3 sentence response, it would be manageable. The feedback will not be as rich.
- Jim Harisiades- example of a survey completed by nurses and physicians regarding Global Health; for the future, have a drop down box with designated answers.
- Dr. Etzel- our time table for the qualitative project: this project needs to be completed over the next 6 months, well before the next PAS meeting. Want to have everything completed and able to post on the APA website by May 2014, as the board would like the GHTF to complete our task and deliver the final product. The one key unresolved issue is whether or not Senela will be available to help. Can she connect with Dr. Sherman and can we move forward? These conversations need to happen first.

- Dr. Sherman- really wants to do this project but wants it to be quality. He will possibly connect with Dr. Connie Baldwin for consultation as well.

#### 4. Global Health Task Force Activities at the IPA

The GHTF has been invited to participate in a workshop and a symposium (Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>) in Melbourne, Australia at the International Congress of Pediatrics.

- Drs Kurbasic and Etzel will circulate the agenda for the meeting to the group.
- Dr. Etzel-The workshop and Symposium were organized by Robert Armstrong from Nairobi. Dr. Kurbasic will speak on GH Professionals at the workshop. We hope to get the draft faculty competency document in shape so that it can be shared with international colleagues for comments and feedback.
- Dr. Bortolussi-suggests the need to have a draft ready for the international meeting to share with others.
- Dr. Etzel: would appreciate feedback on the faculty competency draft from all GHTF members by the end of July if we want to have a final draft at IPA Congress at the end of August.

#### 5. Announcement of Global Conference on Child Injury Prevention on September 19-20, 2013, in Columbus, Ohio

The Center for Injury Research and Policy at Nationwide Children's Hospital will hold the 2013 Global Conference on Child Injury Prevention on September 19-20, 2013, in Columbus, Ohio. The Global Conference will bring together leading researchers, practitioners, advocates, and policymakers from around the globe in all the major areas of child injury prevention and control to review the progress made since the 2008 landmark report World Report on Child Injury Prevention and to discuss directions for the future. The two-day conference will feature internationally-recognized speakers and a forum for discussing global initiatives during the next decade to reduce child injury around the world. For more information and to register for the conference, please visit:

<http://www.nationwidechildrens.org/2013-global-child-injury-conference>.

#### Action Items:

- Christen Brown will post approved minutes of June 6, 2013 call to Global Health Task Force website.
- Dr. Etzel to ask small writing group to review and reformat competencies; major issues are the different styles of writing and the need to put consistency in the document.

- Members to provide any revisions or suggestions of the competencies document by the end of July, to Dr Etzel, to have it prepared for distribution at the IPA Congress.
- Dr. Andrew Sherman to connect with Senela regarding possible collaboration on the qualitative research project.
- Dr. Etzel and Dr. Kurbasic to send agenda to all on the call regarding the GHTF participation in the Workshop and Symposium at the IPA, including the workshop for mentors.
- Dr Harisiades to send information regarding the Injury Research and Policy conference, September 19-20<sup>th</sup>, to Dr Etzel, to be included in the minutes.