

APA Global Health Task Force Teleconference
December 1, 2011

Present: Drs Ann Behrmann, Bronwen Anders, Chuck Shubert, Danielle Laraque, Donna Staton, Melanie Ansbacher, Nicole St. Clair, Robert Hilliard, Ruth Etzel (Chair)

Minutes

Dr Ruth Etzel asked all the participants on the teleconference to identify themselves and proposed the agenda for the meeting.

Reviewed draft minutes from October 19th teleconference

- The minutes were reviewed and accepted

Overview of Diagram of Global Health Activities

- Dr Etzel circulated a graph that was prepared by Suzinne Pak-Gorstein and Cliff O' Callahan prior to an earlier meeting of the Global Health Task Force. Its purpose was to clarify which organizations were undertaking activities in global health and to identify possible gaps that could be considered opportunities for the Global Health Task Force.
- Dr Chuck Shubert explained the goal of the diagram was to figure out the different Global Health focuses that the various pediatric organizations have in place. Helps to separate out the most appropriate path moving forward, by determining what activities currently fall under each organization.
- It was noted that the graphic needs to be modified to show that the CPS is involved in Faculty Development. This should be added at the top.

Possible Tasks for the Task Force

- Dr Ruth Etzel suggested that, after reviewing the activities of various pediatric organizations in global health, it was important to identify 1 or 2 specific tasks for the GHTF in the next few months.
- Dr Nicole St Clair suggested focusing on Faculty Development.
- Dr Danielle Laraque said that the CPS (Canadian Pediatric Society) should be involved. They are looking into Faculty Development and working with the GHTF.
- CPS to officially be included with the other organizations with the GHTF.
- It was suggested to maybe consider mentoring of faculty wanting to develop work in global health
- Dr Melanie Ansbacher talked about the overlap in organizations. (Training/Education of fellows, improving child health care in other countries) After training, how can pediatricians interested in global health contribute and what are the opportunities in the field? Suggested to focus on this as a task.
- The AAP has published a handbook with many global health opportunities after residency.
- Dr Etzel suggested Faculty Development would possibly be a good topic for a white paper. Need to have a clear layout of the problem or issue and the possible contributions in order to determine a path to work toward this goal.

- Another possible task for 2012 is to identify the competencies that faculty working in global health need to have. APA has developed competencies for some other specific areas of focus (such as the pediatric environmental health competencies).

PAS

- Dr Etzel asked if participants would be interested in developing a draft white paper to discuss and analyze at the 2012 PAS meeting of the Global Health Task Force.
- The participants reviewed and discussed the minutes from PAS meeting in 2011.
- Dr Etzel mentioned that a timeline will be developed for the task force. Once its tasks are completed the task force should be sunsetted.
- Dr Danielle Laraque described her discussion with the APA board regarding the task force. She feels as though the board would welcome recommendations regarding time lines and jobs/tasks.
- Dr Ruth Etzel suggested that a team of 2 or 3 people draft a white paper regarding Faculty Development that can later be turned into a published manuscript.
- Date & time of the GHTF meeting at the PAS meeting was decided. There will be a 3 hour GHTF session, Sunday April 29th, 9 am-12 pm.

IPA Congress

- Dr Bob Hilliard clarified that the 2013 IPA International Congress will be held in Melbourne, Australia, and the 2016 Congress will be held in Vancouver, Canada.

Budget

- Dr Danielle Laraque confirmed that the APA board approved the budget rollover.

Action Items:

- Jennifer to ask Dr Cliff O'Callahan and Suzinne Pak-Gorstein to modify the graphic to indicate that CPS is involved in Faculty Development
- Volunteers interested in working on a white paper on Faculty development in global health to contact Dr Etzel
- Jennifer to find out about what were the specific recommendations from the APA board of directors regarding the task force
- Minutes to be circulated by Jennifer to everyone on the Task Force for review. Everyone has been asked to add their input and return to Jennifer within 7 days
- Dr Etzel asked for volunteers to send suggestions about possible topics for PAS meeting
- Dr Bob Hilliard to send task ideas to Dr Ruth Etzel