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IFEM PEMSIG NEWSLETTER

Hello everyone.

This will be the last newsletter before our Biennial General Meeting (our first BGM!!!). For those of you who are coming to Hong Kong, we will see you there!!! For those of you who aren't, we'll be thinking of you as we sample the great food in the region...

Date: Friday 13th June

Venue: Room S429,
Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre

Time: 15.30—16.30



Elections—for Chair, Chair-elect, Secretary and Standards Lead

If you wish to nominate for one of these committee positions, then please do so on the nomination form, and have it seconded by someone else in our group. This has been emailed out by Carol recently. If you are not attending, there is a proxy form for you to allow a member who is going to vote for you. An agenda will be forwarded to you all in May.

See you there,

Simon Chu

IFEM PEMSIG secretary

From our PEMSIG Chair

A pat on the head for us!according to my sources, our SIG is highly rated by IFEM, as lively and productive – and that’s thanks to you guys. Thanks to all those who have helped Baljit review the current Standards document (more on that below) and to those who have volunteered to help at the forthcoming

“PEM Marketplace” at ICEM.



I am very excited about the Marketplace: this is a “less conventional” way of providing delegate CPD via individual learning, at a level of the delegate’s own choice. I wonder am I the only one who’s noticed that at EM conferences no-one’s sure if the PEM tracks are at the level of “topic refresh” for regular EM physicians, or whether it’s going to be cutting edge / in-depth information for the well seasoned PEM guys? How often do talks fall between two stools, with 2/3 of the audience getting a little bored 2/3 of the time? But not with a marketplace....!

Here’s how it works: one big room, 12 “stallholders” (including some well-known PEM names) each teaching on a topic, with learning materials and expertise for a range of information on that topic. The “shoppers” can visit 1 stall or 12, “shop” for a couple of items (snippets) or roll their sleeves up and buy everything their brains can carry, for up to 2 ½ hours 😊

Baljit came up with the idea originally and we did it at an international EM conference in Cape Town, South Africa. It was extremely popular.

Here’s the line-up so far (and yes, you guessed it - we will be on a recruitment drive for more PEMSIG members) 😊

Dr Franz Babl, Australia, Dr Meredith Borland, Australia, Prof Ng Kee Chong, Singapore, Dr John Criddle, UK, Dr Sashikumar Ganapathy, Singapore, Dr Camilo Gutierrez, USA, Dr Stuart Hartshorn, UK, Dr Mark Lyttle, UK, Dr Mary McCaskill, Australia, Dr Ed Oakley, Australia, Dr Colin Powell, UK, Prof Indumathi Santhanam, India, Dr Itai Shavit, Israel, Dr Chong Shu-Ling, Singapore, Dr Hezi Waisman, Israel, Dr Anna Williams, UK.

Here’s hoping that that in Hong Kong us PEM guys can give those Simulation guys a run for their money in making medical education personalised and fun 😊

Finally, a plea - please could everyone maximise opportunities to publicise our excellent Standards document – seminars, conferences, journals, newsletters etc. It’s only going to make a difference around the world if EM and paediatric communities are aware of it.

Ffion Davies

From the Standards Lead

We are making good progress with the wording review. It has taken time to go through each of the 19 chapters and pick out words, sentences or paragraphs that were likely to cause confusion for readers who don't speak English as a first language.

Liliana and Angelina who had been through the arduous process of translation into Spanish and Chinese, assisted us in the identification of some of these problem words and sentences. For example, Angelina's pointed out that "Allied Support Services" had been translated as "friends or friendly support" and that the recommendation to follow up "medical complaints" in ED clinics was interpreted as the "follow up of complaints about medical care"!

Mary, Suresh, Indu, Kath and Camillo started us off with a detailed review of between 1-4 chapters each and created the version1 (v1's). Ffion and myself then completed a further review of all chapters - to get them to the v2 stage. The v2's have now been sent out to the original chapter authors for approval of the wording changes.

I long ago stopped naming any draft as "final" as it seemed to guarantee that a further 15 drafts would ensue with increasingly complex labels: "sub-final-final v6" or some such! But I believe we are now at the 'almost final' versions - the "v3's". I have v3's for 10 of the 19 chapters - so well done to everyone involved it has been a real team effort.

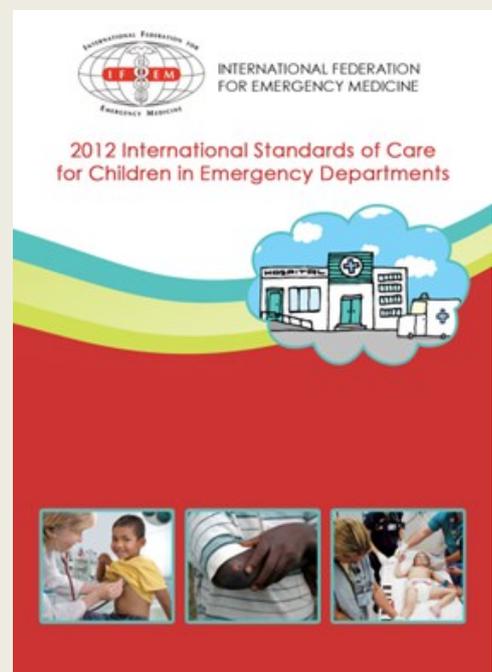
Once I have all 19 v3's I will do a final proof read and also pick out any instances where the wording of the actual standards themselves has been altered so that we can update the summary of standards.

We are still struggling with a few general wording issues such as: pediatrics v paediatrics and family v care givers. We may be canvassing opinions on some of these points during the coming weeks.

I'm very much hoping the wording review will be complete by June - and looking forward to celebrating the achievement with all those who can make it to Hong Kong!

Baljit Cheema

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT:

Dr Mary Ryan, United Kingdom

Hi everyone. My name is Mary Ryan. I work at Alder Hey Children's Hospital ED in Liverpool – in the North West of the UK. I came here via Ireland (where I am from), Scotland (where I trained in Edinburgh) and Australia (where I did a Fellowship at RCH, Melbourne at the end of my training).

The ED here is the busiest in the UK, seeing 56,000 children under 16 every year. We 'officially' became a Major Trauma Centre for children 2 years ago, after Trauma care across the UK was re-organised, and although it's taken lots of work, we are now really flying on improving our trauma care. I have 9 great consultant colleagues here and about 20 trainees at any one time, along with lots of advanced nurses who help us sift through all the patients!

The biggest thing on our agenda right now is our new hospital, due to open in October 2015. It's exciting, scary and challenging all at the same time. The ED is going to look after (some) inpatients for the first 24 hours of their care in the new build – a new venture for us so no doubt there will be more learning.

I also work as the Clinical Director for General Paediatrics, Mental Health, Audiology, Diabetes, Chronic Fatigue and Community Child Health, so about half my week is spent doing that.

Spare time? What's that now??!!

