

Hospital Pharmacy Section Annual Report 2015

The major accomplishment of 2015 for the Hospital Pharmacy Section was the launch of the revised Basel Statements, including a fully revised web site (<http://www.fip.org/basel-statements>). Over two years of effort was required to complete this major revision, including participation from hundreds of hospital pharmacists from over 80 different countries (representing all six WHO regions). In addition to publicizing the launch of the new web site, we have published several articles in hospital pharmacy journals highlighting the results of the revision process, and a full report on the revision was accepted by the *American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy* and will be published in 2016. We have begun recruiting translations of the revised Statements, with an early translation into Mandarin already completed.

Hospital Pharmacy Section committees were very successful in 2015. The over-arching objectives of the committee structure are to engage more members in Section activities, and to create a path for future leadership roles in the Section (consistent with the theme of Empowerment through Sharing).

- Our Finance Committee secured a major new corporate sponsor, Baxter Laboratories.
- Our Research Committee has been very active, focusing on a number of studies, and preparing a new grant program to provide financial support for investigators interested in pursuing hospital practice-based research focusing on the Basel Statements. A request for proposals was distributed late in 2015 and the grant will be awarded in early 2016.
- Our Programming Committee hosted a webinar on accreditation in hospital pharmacy practice, and sponsored several successful sessions at Congress in Dusseldorf. The Section continues to promote evidence-based and science-focused practice in hospitals, by partnering with several SIGs in offering programming at Congress.
- Our Communication Committee published five regular issues of our newsletter, plus a special pre-Congress sixth issue informing members of HPS-related content in Dusseldorf. Section members benefitted from substantial scientific and clinical content published this past year, including updates from each of our regional Vice Presidents.

Regionally, the Section has focused on a number of initiatives. In particular, the Section is supporting the Argentina Association of Hospital Pharmacists (AAFH) which is now working with other Latin American hospital pharmacy societies to create a group called the South American Coordination for Development of Hospital Pharmacy (Coordinadora Sudamericana para el Desarrollo de la Farmacia Hospitalaria) or COSUDEFH. The intent of this group is to integrate to regional and international institutions to collaborate on developing practice standards for hospital pharmacy in South America.

Finally, the Section mourned the loss of Toby Clark, past HPS Vice President and Treasurer late in 2015.

The completion of the revised Basel Statements and efforts to publicize and promote their use is the activity we are most proud of completing in 2015. This work focuses on the BPP objectives of raising professional standards and improving the quality of pharmacy practice in the hospital setting.

Section goals for the 2016 calendar year

- **Goal #1:**
Continue to advance the implementation of the Basel Statements, focusing on
 - Expanding the number of translations of the Statements;
 - Awarding a research grant focused on the implementation of the Statements;
 - Further refine the Basel Statements web site as an information portal for hospital pharmacists worldwide.

- **Goal #2:**
Expand the membership of the Section by identifying and publicizing the value of participation in the Section and FIP.

- **Goal #3:**
Expand the webinar program to offer more educational opportunities for Section members who are unable to attend Congresses.