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Member Corner

[GMC gives green light to national licensing exam](#)

(General Medical Council)

[Medical Council of Ireland to begin inspection of training sites](#) (Medical Council of Ireland)

[Prevocational e-portfolio tracks doctors' learning skills](#) (Medical Council of New Zealand)

[The state of medical education and practice in the UK report: 2014](#)

(General Medical Council)

[National Association of State Controlled Substances Authorities endorses model policy on opioid prescribing](#)

(Federation of State Medical Boards)

[UK Regulators publish a joint statement on professional duty of candour](#)

World News

[Australia releases 2013 medical workforce survey](#) (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare)

[Review of the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme for health professions](#)

(Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council)

Message from the Chair



If you were able to join us for IAMRA's largest and most diverse conference in London at the beginning of September, I do hope you enjoyed it and found it useful. It was wonderful to see so many members with such a fantastic range of contributions and to hear how the many common challenges we face are being tackled around the world.

Having been involved in the work of IAMRA over the past 5 years I am acutely aware that there are many different models of regulation, and that we can all learn from each other.

Like the world of regulation itself, IAMRA must also move with the times if it is to meet new challenges - in an increasingly global world, an international body should provide its members with support, advice and contacts, and that is our ambition in the next few years. We are seeking to change from an organisation that is responsible for a conference every two years to one which provides ongoing resources and services to its members, which enables regulators to work better together and to learn and develop together, and which can start to engage internationally to promote more and better regulation of doctors throughout the world. The General Assembly this year took a first major step in allowing the Secretariat to grow modestly. The Management Committee and I are now working to fulfill the trust you have placed in the Association, by starting the recruitment campaign for a part-time Executive Director for IAMRA. The aim of the role is to turn IAMRA into a more active and responsive organisation better able to add value to your work.

I do hope that you will help us spread the word about the vacancy to make sure we recruit the best possible candidate, no matter where in the world they are based. In the meantime, I very much hope you will consider becoming involved in the work of IAMRA. In the coming weeks Roxanne will be in touch to ask if you would be interested in taking part in any of our working groups and committees. IAMRA does need the benefit of your expertise!

Best wishes,
Niall Dickson
Chair

IAMRA 2014 Conference-evaluating risk and reducing harm to patients

On 9-12 September 2014, the General Medical Council (GMC) hosted the IAMRA conference in London.



The most diverse of its kind, the conference welcomed around 400 regulators, academics, health officials and other participants to London to discuss medical regulation, evaluating risk and reducing harm to patients. Under the conference theme of *Evaluating risk and reducing harm to patients*, experts shared their views on promoting professionalism, risk-based regulation, patients' rights and social media in medical regulation.

Keynote speakers included:

- Professor Malcolm Sparrow, Harvard University
- Sir Robert Francis QC, Chairman, Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust Public Inquiry and President of the Patients Association
- Dr Margaret Mungherera, President of the World Medical Association
- Professor Frank Montgomery, President of the German Medical Association
- Dr Marie Bismark, The University of Melbourne.

A session on the Fundamentals of Medical Regulation explored the basics of medical regulation with a practical and operational focus and facilitated the sharing and capturing of good practice and experience.

The conference materials, including speaker presentations, exhibition posters, photos, videos and the IAMRA 2014 Storify can be downloaded from the [IAMRA 2014](#) conference website.



Meetings

Association for Excellence in Medical Education Conference 2015

Foundation University
Islamabad, Pakistan
March 6-8, 2015

IAMRA 2016 Biennial Conference

Melbourne, Australia
September 20-23, 2016

The conference will be presented by the [Medical Board of Australia](#) and [Australian Health Practitioners Regulation Agency](#) - partners in regulating medical practitioners in Australia.

For more information and to register your interest in the conference, contact: [IAMRA 2016](#).



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