

Connecting Medical Regulators Around the World

Members' Corner

[Qatar's Supreme Council of Health to launch CPD framework, accreditation system](#)

(The Peninsula)

[JMR Publishes Special Edition on Global Trends in Medical Regulation](#)

(Journal of Medical Regulation)

[GMC introduces new revalidation assessment for overseas doctors](#)

(General Medical Council UK)

[BC Health Regulators launch public safety campaign "Saying you are one doesn't make you one"](#)

(College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia)

[AMC and ECFMG Partner to Enhance the Process for Evaluating the Medical Credentials of Australia's International Medical Graduates](#)

[Irish Medical Council publishes Medical Workforce Intelligence Report 2015](#)

Message from the Chair



Thank you for all your support over the past twelve months - this has been a good year for IAMRA and for the international community of medical regulators.

During the course of 2015 we have:

- grown our membership to more than 90 and are on target to achieve our goal of 100 members by the General Assembly in 2016
- appointed Dr Alison Reid as our first Executive Director
- launched our new website
- introduced a member discount for IAMRA 2016 in Melbourne
- held the third international Revalidation Symposium - the first under the IAMRA banner
- conducted a members' survey to help shape our future programme.

If you took the time to respond to the Members' Survey, thank you. The results show that medical regulators are facing the same challenges with the top three concerns cited as:

- continuing competence assurance
- discipline and complaints against doctors
- licensing and registration of graduates from other jurisdictions.

We will send you a report in the next few weeks with the survey's key findings, and what IAMRA is doing in response.

We will also be contacting you early in the New Year with two important consultations: one looking at participation in the Members General Assembly; and the other on how we structure membership fees. Please take part and tell us what you think.

And most important of all, in September the Medical Board of Australia and the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency will host IAMRA's 12th International Conference in Melbourne. Planning is well underway and the call for abstracts is now open - I do hope you will be able to come to Melbourne and that you will submit one or more abstracts. You will find more details on the conference website:

(Irish Medical Council)

[Qatar Council for Healthcare Practitioners Hosts Meeting of the International Academy for CPD Accreditation](#)

(Gulf Times)

[GMC appoints former mental health tsar to improve its support for vulnerable doctors](#)

(General Medical Council UK)

World News

[Doctors' complaints against other doctors double over four years](#)

(BMJ Careers)

[MedTech Europe Bans Direct Industry Sponsorship of Physicians for CME](#)

(TCTMD)

[Tamil Nadu Medical Council to issue smart certificates to doctors](#)

(DNA India)

[European Commission Publishes Report on Directive about the Application of Patients' Rights in Cross-border Healthcare](#)

(European Commission)

[Respect for Doctors Getting Eroded due to Rude Behaviour](#)

(The Economic Times India)

[UAE Ministry of Health Cancels Six-month Credentialing Period for Physician Licenses](#)

(AMEInfo)

<http://iamra2016.org/call-for-abstracts/>.

New members

I am sure you will join me in extending a warm welcome to our newest members, associates and partners:

- [Rwanda Medical and Dental Council](#)
- [South Sudan General Medical Council](#)
- [Nursing and Midwifery Council \(UK\)](#)
- [National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy \(US\)](#)
- [Health Professions Authority Zimbabwe](#)
- [National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants \(US\)](#)

If you feel there are organisations who would benefit from joining IAMRA please do let us know and we will reach out to them.

Best wishes for the festive period and a happy 2016.

Niall Dickson

IAMRA Revalidation Symposium

The IAMRA Revalidation Symposium, in Montreal, Canada was jointly hosted with the Federation of Medical Regulatory Authorities of



Canada and the Medical Council of Canada and brought together participants from all over the world to discuss revalidation, maintenance of licensure and continuing professional competence programmes. We hope the symposium will become a regular feature of the IAMRA calendar to be held every second year between our main conference. This year's event showed just how much progress is being made by medical regulators in making sure that medical practitioners are competent and up to date throughout their careers and not just when they qualify. If you are interested in this subject you can find the materials from the Symposium here:

<http://iamra.com/IAMRA-Symposia>

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[AMCOA Publishes 2015 Conference Presentations](#)
(Association of Medical Councils of Africa)

[India focuses on accreditation, regulations in medical sector to lure health tourists](#)
(bdnews24.com)

[A new day for CME/CPD in Canada: proceedings from the 1st Canada Regional Conference of the Global Alliance for Medical Education](#)
(Journal of European CME)

Meetings

[ACEhp \(Alliance for Continuing Education in the Health Professions\) 41st Annual Conference](#)
National Harbor, MD
January 13-16, 2016

[Arab Health Congress](#)
Dubai, UAE
January 25-28, 2016

[World Congress on Continuing Professional Development](#)
San Diego, CA
March 17-19, 2016

[The Ottawa Conference](#)
Perth, Australia
March 19-23, 2016

[Medbiquitous Annual Conference](#)
Baltimore, MD
May 16-17, 2016

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We want to hear from you!

IAMRA Events

12th International Conference on Medical Regulation

Melbourne Australia
September 20-23, 2016



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

For more information, please visit the [IAMRA 2016](#) conference website.

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**WHPA (World Health
Professions Association)**

Regulation Conference

Geneva, Switzerland

May 21-22, 2016