

## Connecting Medical Regulators Around the World

### Members' Corner

[Medical Council of New South Wales provides guidance on addressing language barriers to patient consent](#)

(Medical Council of New South Wales)

[The Arab Medical Union's Relief and Emergency Committee announces the completion of the first phase of its "Good Vina" campaign as part of its Resistance to Hunger and Malnutrition Project](#)

(Arab Medical Union)

[College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia provides Trauma-Informed Reading List](#)

(College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia)

[Leo Kearns named new CEO of Irish Medical Council](#)

(Irish Medical Times)

[Health Professions Council of Namibia announces online public register](#)

(Health Professions Council of Namibia)

[Pakistan Medical Commission launches new online services platform](#)

(Pakistan Medical Commission)

[General Medical Council](#)

## Message from the Chair



Dear Members and Partners,

In my last message to you, I wrote that 2020 was a challenging year for us all, both personally and professionally, and I shared my fervent hope that the commitment and hard work of front-line practitioners, public health officials, scientists and researchers around the

world would be rewarded in 2021. I also noted with great regret that the Management Committee made the decision to postpone the 2020 IAMRA conference, which was to have taken place in Johannesburg in September 2020, and I assured you that we will present an in-person conference again when it is safe and feasible to do so.

In many ways and for many of us, the challenges of 2020 are continuing in 2021, but with the development of vaccines, continued care and vigilance, and the dedicated commitment of healthcare professionals, I do hope that 2021 will end better than it started.

I do have some good news for you! From October 12-14, 2021 IAMRA will be hosting a virtual conference with the theme: *Supporting a workforce under pressure – the regulator's role*.

We want the conference to be as accessible as possible. Organizations, both member and non-member, will pay a single registration fee, which will entitle all their staff, board/council members, etc. to attend as little or as much of the conference as they wish.

As IAMRA has members all around the world, the conference start time will be different on each day so that the majority of attendees will have at least one day when it will be convenient for them to attend the conference 'live'. All attendees will have

[urges patients to stay safe when going online for treatment](#)

(General Medical Council - UK)

[Federation of State Medical Boards releases statement on diversity, equity and inclusion in medical regulation and healthcare](#)

(Federation of State Medical Boards - US)

## World News

[Africa CDC says cannot predict when second COVID-19 shots will arrive](#)

(Reuters)

[How the small nation of Bhutan vaccinated 93% of its adults in just two weeks](#)

(CBC Radio Canada)

[Brazil hospitals running out of sedatives as COVID-19 rages](#)

(Reuters)

[Critical condition inside a Toronto hospital network during the third wave of COVID-19](#)

(CBC News)

[UK Government launches a wide-ranging consultation on plans to streamline and future-proof medical regulation in the UK](#)

(Department of Health and Social Care, UK)

[COVID-19 Dashboard by the Systems Science and Engineering at John Hopkins University](#)

(John Hopkins University – USA)

## Events

Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB)  
[2021 Virtual Annual Meeting](#)  
April 29-30, 2021

Hong Kong Academy of

the option to attend 'live' on every day of the conference if they wish.

All conference sessions will be recorded so that attendees can watch recordings of sessions at their leisure if they are unable to attend the live event. The conference content will be different on each day.

Further announcements, including a call for abstracts will follow soon.

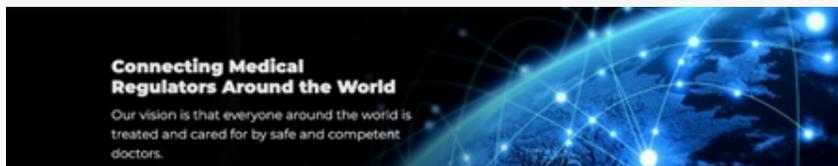
Just a reminder that all of the webinars that have been presented in the last year can be viewed on the IAMRA [website](#). Our webinars will pause after our event in May, in preparation for the virtual conference.

Despite the continuing challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, IAMRA's community continues to expand. Please join me in welcoming our newest member:

- [Korean Academy of Medical Sciences](#)  
(Partner)

Please stay safe, and accept my heartfelt appreciation for your continuing support of IAMRA.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Kgosi Letlape



## IAMRA Call for Nominations

IAMRA has issued a call for nominations for open positions on the 2021 IAMRA Management Committee. The deadline to submit nominations is **June 1, 2021**.

For more information, please visit the IAMRA [website](#), or contact the [IAMRA Secretariat](#).

## IAMRA Call for Resolutions

IAMRA Members and Partners wishing to submit resolutions for consideration at the 2021 Virtual Members General Assembly taking place October 26, 2021 are requested to send proposed

Medicine  
[2021 Virtual Medical  
Education Conference](#)  
May 22, 2021

Federation of Medical  
Regulatory Authorities of  
Canada  
[2021 Virtual Annual  
Educational Conference](#)  
June 14-16 and 21-22, 2021

International Association for  
Medical Education (AMEE)  
[2021 Virtual Conference](#)  
August 27-30, 2021

American Board of Medical  
Specialties  
[2021 Virtual Conference](#)  
September 28-29, 2021

resolutions to the [IAMRA Secretariat](#) no later than  
May 21, 2021.  
For more information, please visit the IAMRA  
[website](#), or contact the IAMRA Secretariat.

## IAMRA Events

IAMRA 2021 Virtual Conference: *Supporting a  
Workforce Under Pressure –The Regulator's Role*  
[October 12-14, 2021](#)

IAMRA 2021 Virtual Members General Assembly  
[October 26, 2021](#)

IAMRA 2022 International Conference on Medical  
Regulation  
November 14-17, 2022  
Johannesburg, South Africa

IAMRA 2022 Members General Assembly  
November 16, 2022  
Johannesburg, South Africa

**Member Benefit: Ongoing Access to Past IAMRA Webinars - click [here](#)  
to access this valuable content!**

Our hope is that the IAMRA website will serve as a "virtual home" for all of our member organizations and provide engaging ways of creating and maintaining connections in our community.

We encourage you to come visit us at [www.iamra.com](http://www.iamra.com)!

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