This month marks a momentous occasion in the evolution of IAMRA as the Physician Information Exchange (PIE) Working Group begins pilot testing a system that will allow for the proactive sharing of licensing and disciplinary information among IAMRA’s members.

IAMRA has received requests over the years from members wishing to disseminate information about individuals attempting to register with fraudulent documents or who have been disciplined in one jurisdiction and are thought likely to seek registration in another. In response to these requests, IAMRA, through the PIE Working Group, has been working hard to develop a mechanism that allows such data sharing to occur. The first phase of pilot testing is now underway with participation from the Australian Healthcare Practitioner Regulation Agency, the Federation of State Medical Boards, and the General Medical Council (UK). Once this initial phase of testing is completed, the pilot will be expanded to include additional organizations currently represented on the PIE Working Group. While we are proceeding with caution, we are hopeful that the system will be available for use by all IAMRA members by 2018.

While looking inward to strengthen benefits for members and develop new ones, IAMRA also continues to expand its influence and membership across the globe. IAMRA currently has 109 members from 47 countries. Please join me in welcoming IAMRA’s latest Members and Partners:

Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (U.S.) - Partner
American Academy of Family Physicians (U.S.) - Partner
American Medical Association (U.S.) - Partner
College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario (Canada) - Member

As these exciting changes take place, IAMRA’s Management Committee is working to ensure strong and consistent leadership for the organization. With the sudden passing of IAMRA Chair-elect Dr. Margaret Mungherera, the Management Committee has appointed Dr. Joanna Flynn, Member-at-Large, and Chair of the Medical Board of Australia, as Acting Chair-elect to assume the duties, but not the office, of Chair-elect until the next Members General Assembly in 2018.
More Bogus Doctors Slipping Through
(IOL)

Association between Teaching Status and Mortality in US Hospitals
(JAMA)

Many New Doctors May Be Posting Unprofessional Content on Facebook
(Science Daily)

NCCPA Releases Statistical Profile of Certified Physician Assistants
(National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants)

Meetings

Federation of Medical Regulatory Authorities of Canada Annual Meeting and Conference
Winnipeg, Canada
June 10-12, 2017

International Health Conference
Oxford, England
June 29 - July 1, 2017

Innovations in Physiotherapy Regulation Across the Globe
Cape Town, South Africa
June 30 - July 1, 2017

Association of Medical Councils of Africa Scientific Conference
Cape Town, South Africa
August 21-25, 2017

Association for Medical Education in Europe 2017
Helsinki, Finland
August 26-30, 2017

Dr. Flynn has served and represented IAMRA expertly since 2012 and is currently serving a term on the Management Committee that will come to an end in 2018. On behalf of IAMRA, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Dr. Flynn for her willingness to carry out the duties of Chair-elect during this time of growth for our organization.

Sincerely,

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