



September 2017

## Connecting Medical Regulators Around the World

### Members' Corner

#### **AMC Appoints former IAMRA Chair Philip Pigou as new CEO**

(Australian Medical Council)

#### **ABMS Names Richard Hawkins New President and CEO**

(American Board of Medical  
Specialties)

#### **CMSS Names Helen Burstin New EVP and CEO**

(Council of Medical Specialty  
Societies)

#### **MCNZ Strengthening Recertification for Vocationally Registered Doctors**

(Medical Council of New  
Zealand)

#### **The GMC's Right of Appeal - A Positive Step for Patients**

(GMC - Medical  
Professionalism and  
Regulation in the UK)

#### **FSMB Releases Census of Actively Licensed Physicians in the U.S.**

(Federation of State Medical  
Boards)

#### **GMC Publishes Action Plan to Improve Revalidation**

(General Medical Council-UK)

### World News

#### **Doctors Dissect Medicine's Bullying Problem**

(CMAJ)

#### **HPCSA Raises Concerns Over Increase in Bogus Doctors**

(Eyewitness News)

### Message from the Chair



One of IAMRA's many strengths comes through the diversity of its membership. As members of IAMRA, we are continually reminded that there are multiple ways of fulfilling our missions to protect the public and ensure that patients are treated by safe and competent physicians. When

I have opportunities to meet with IAMRA members from around the world, I am reminded of the diversity of strong approaches to medical regulation and also comforted by the many similarities in the ways in which we approach our work. I look forward to seeing examples of these at IAMRA's upcoming Revalidation Symposium in London, hosted by the General Medical Council.

Similarities and robust discussions were in abundance at the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference for the Association of Medical Councils of Africa (AMCOA) in Cape Town, South Africa, which I recently attended and had the honor of speaking at. The conference was hosted by the Health Professions Council of South Africa, who's President, Dr. Kgosietsile Letlape is also a member of IAMRA's Management Committee. There were nearly 200 attendees at this year's conference, many of whom represent IAMRA member organizations, including IAMRA's newest member, the Medical Council of Tanganyika (Tanzania).



AMCOA Conference Attendees in Cape Town, South Africa

AMCOA's ambitious agenda focused on the advancement of technology in medicine and the various impacts it can have on medical regulation, including many issues familiar to us all: regulation across jurisdictions, the use of social media in healthcare, and telemedicine, among others. My warmest thanks to Dr. Letlape and his staff for being such gracious hosts and putting on a fantastic conference.

**Vermont Medical School Says Goodbye to Lectures**

(NPR)

**Physicians: Can Social Media Make or Break Your Career?**

(Medical News Today)

**Descriptors for Unprofessional Behaviours of Medical Students**

(Mak-van der Vossen et al., *BMC Med Educ*)

**More Doctors are Practicing Past Age 70. Is that Safe for Patients?**

(Philadelphia Inquirer)

**Meetings**

**International Society for Quality in Healthcare (ISQua) 34th Annual Conference**

London, UK  
October 1-4, 2017

**American Osteopathic Association OMED'17**

Philadelphia, USA  
October 7-10, 2017

**World Medical Association General Assembly**

Chicago, USA  
October 11-14, 2017

**International Conference on Residency Education**

Québec City, Canada  
October 19-21, 2017

**Coalition for Physician Enhancement Fall Meeting**

Denver, USA  
October 26-27, 2017

**European CME Forum**

Dublin, Ireland  
November 8-10, 2017



IAMRA Operations Officer Roxanne Huff, Management Committee Member Daniel Yumbya, IAMRA Chair Humayun (Hank) Chaudhry attending AMCOA

IAMRA continues to experience increased diversity and richness of perspective as the Association gains new members. As always, we would be very pleased to hear from you about potential opportunities to expand IAMRA's membership. Please join me in welcoming IAMRA's newest Members and Partners:

[Maine Board of Licensure in Medicine](#) (U.S.)

[Medical Council of Tanganyika](#) (Tanzania)

[American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine](#) (U.S.) - Partner

I would like to finish by offering hearty congratulations on behalf of the entire IAMRA Community to our immediate past-chair, Mr. Niall Dickson, for his recent recognition as a Commander of the British Empire. This honor is very well-deserved for Niall's many contributions to patient welfare and safety, both in the United Kingdom, as well as internationally through his magnificent leadership of IAMRA. Congratulations Niall!

Sincerely,

Humayun J. Chaudhry, D.O., M.S., MACP, MACOI

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