

## Connecting Medical Regulators Around the World

### Members' Corner

#### [GMC Releases Medical Professionalism Matters Report](#)

(General Medical Council UK)

#### [Federation of State Medical Boards outlines Medical Regulation Priorities in letter to Trump](#)

(Newswise)

#### [Sir Keith Pearson publishes review of Revalidation in the UK; GMC Responds](#)

(General Medical Council UK)

#### [Medical Council of New Zealand consults on Recertification for Vocationally Registered Doctors](#)

(Medical Council of New Zealand)

#### [Pakistan 4th largest country to provide doctors to USA](#)

(Business Recorder - Includes mention of IAMRA Chair's Visit)

#### [Medical Council of Canada moves to its new headquarters](#)

(Medical Council of Canada)

#### [Qatar Council for Healthcare Practitioners becomes internationally recognized accreditation body](#)

(Gulf Times)

### World News

#### [Tribute Paid to Dr. Margaret Mungherera](#)

(New Vision)

#### [Quality of Care provided by International vs US medical graduates: Observational Study](#)

(British Medical Journal)

## Message from the Chair



It is with great sadness that we inform you of the untimely passing of Dr. Margaret Mungherera, Vice Chair of the Uganda Medical and Dental Practitioners Council and our Chair-Elect. We are still coming to terms with her loss, which was due to a chronic illness. A noted psychiatrist by training, Margaret was elected President of the World Medical Association several years ago and was poised to take over leadership in 2018 of IAMRA, to

which she was elected by our Members General Assembly last year in Melbourne. Margaret was a passionate advocate of quality health care in Africa and throughout the world and just beginning to be known by our IAMRA family for her sense of humour, speaking style, and leadership skills. She will be missed by all of us and we offer our sincerest condolences to her family and friends in Uganda and around the world.



**Margaret Mungherera (left), pictured with IAMRA Chair Humayun Chaudhry and past chairs Niall Dickson, Philip Pigou and Fleur-Ange Lefebvre**

I am pleased to report on some very productive time spent recently with IAMRA's new Management Committee in Orlando, Florida, at our Strategic Planning Meeting, which Margaret joined by conference call. Our Management Committee members and IAMRA staff had a useful opportunity to review the significant progress that IAMRA has made over



**IAMRA Management Committee at Strategic Planning Meeting - Orlando, Florida**

the course of the last year, and to make meaningful updates to IAMRA's goals for the coming year. Details about these goals and the specific objectives associated with each goal will be made available to members in the weeks ahead.

The IAMRA Community continues to grow and to extend the Association's influence across the globe. 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 Member:

#### [Ministry of Health and Prevention - United Arab Emirates](#)

IAMRA currently has 108 members from 47 countries. A complete listing of members can be found [here](#).

I recently had the opportunity to travel to Pakistan at the invitation of the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council in my official capacity as Chair of IAMRA. In addition to my visit to the PMDC, which was during the winter holidays, I visited several medical schools, hospitals, and regulatory organizations during what was a very enjoyable and informative trip.

**Evidence of the Superiority of Female Doctors**

(The Atlantic)

**US Surgeon General Releases First-ever Report on Alcohol, Drugs and Health**

(Office of the US Surgeon General)

**Meetings**

**Coalition for Physician Enhancement Spring Meeting**

Fort Worth, Texas  
April 18-19, 2017

**Federation of State Medical Boards Annual Meeting**

Fort Worth, Texas  
April 20-22, 2017

**ACCME 2017 Meeting: Evolution, Innovation, and Alignment**

Chicago, Illinois  
April 24-27, 2017

**World Health Summit - Regional Meeting**

Montreal, Canada  
May 8-9, 2017

I extend my most heartfelt thanks to my hosts at the PMDC, especially Professor Dr. Shabir Ahmed Lehri, who is President of the PMDC and a member of IAMRA's Management Committee. It is heartening to see PMDC's dedication to all aspects of medical regulation and exciting to learn about the progress being made across the country in the area of continuing professional development.



I was also very fortunate to visit during the Thanksgiving holiday with representatives from several Latin American medical regulatory authorities while attending the CONFEMEL meeting in Brasilia with the Chair of the Federation of State Medical Boards, Dr. Art Hengerer. As Chair of IAMRA, it is important for me to better understand the concerns and needs of medical regulators from around the world, including in regions where IAMRA is less represented, such as South America. Many warm thanks to Dr. Carlos Vital, President of the Brazilian Federal Council of Medicine and member of the IAMRA Management Committee, and his staff for their kind hospitality.



**Dr. Chaudhry addressing delegates to CONFEMEL - Brasilia, Brazil**

Sincerely,

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

**2017 IAMRA Continued Competency Symposium - Call for Abstracts**

**Continued Competence Systems - Measuring their impact and value**

***October 5-6, 2017***

***London, United Kingdom***

***Symposium Host: General Medical Council***

IAMRA wants to hear from regulators, professionals, patients, researchers, policy makers, educators and others with an interest in the continued competence of healthcare professionals, who would like to contribute to the program of this important international symposium.

We are seeking abstracts in connection with the overall theme of Continued Competence Systems - Measuring their impact and value, which explores various sub-topics including: the impact on and value of continued competence systems for doctors, their professionalism, patients and the public, the wider healthcare system and the quality and safety of care - and importantly, how this can be effectively and efficiently measured.

If you are interested in submitting an abstract, please read the abstract [guidance](#) and complete a [submission form](#) no later than Tuesday, February 28, 2017.

Please send your proposal to [IAMRASymposium2017@gmc-uk.org](mailto:IAMRASymposium2017@gmc-uk.org).

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