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iHEA News is the official newsletter of the International Health Economics Association.

Executive Update

Best Wishes to all iHEA Members for 2020!

Meet the 2020 iHEA Board of Directors...

As announced after the elections in November, Claire de Oliveira joins the Board this month. We also welcome a new Regional Association-Nominated Director from the Latin America and Caribbean (LAC) region, Paul Rodríguez-Lesmes from Universidad Del Rosario, Colombia.

The Board is also pleased to announce the appointment of Rosalie Viney (University of Technology Sydney, Australia) as iHEA Treasurer. Rosalie has served on iHEA Finance Committee for many years, and takes over from Audrey Laporte, who was recently elected as President-Elect.

The full Board for 2020 is:

Office bearers
Winnie Chin-man Yip President
David Bishai Past-President
Audrey Laporte President-Elect
Rosalie Viney Treasurer

Directors
John Ataguba
Claire de Oliveira
Emma Frew
Kara Hanson
Florence Jusot
Tony LoSasso
We encourage you to browse Board members' bios on the [website](#).

There have also been new appointments on other governance structures, with Paula Lorgelly, Anthony Scott and Aparnaa Somanathan joining the Finance Committee. Please see the [website](#) for full details of iHEA’s governance structures.

...and the 2021 Congress Scientific Committee Chairs

![Joanna Coast](#)

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We are enormously grateful to all our members who are willing to contribute to iHEA’s governance by serving on the Board and committees, and to scientific excellence at the biennial congress.
Congress

2019 Congress Report Now Available

The report on the 2019 congress is now available to iHEA members on the website (please login with your membership information and navigate to the member resources page).

There was much positive feedback on the 2019 congress in the post-congress survey, as well as some suggestions for how to improve future congresses. It is noteworthy that the mean overall congress satisfaction score was 4.25 on a five-point scale. This is the highest satisfaction score of any previous iHEA congress for which data on this question are available. In addition, over 61% of respondents rated the 2019 iHEA congress as somewhat or much better than the most recent non-iHEA academic conference they had attended in terms of scientific content. This is a substantial improvement on the 2017 congress, where only 45% of respondents rated the iHEA congress as somewhat or much better than other conferences they had attended. Most importantly, 98.7% of respondents would consider participating in a future iHEA congress.

Although there were high levels of satisfaction with the 2019 congress, suggestions made for further improvements will be explored for future congresses. We are grateful to all delegates who made the time to respond to the survey - we value your inputs.

Financing Common Goods for Health Pre-Congress Session
Recording Now Available

The half-day session that was presented by World Health Organization (WHO) at the Basel Congress was recorded and is now available to view online! The session is available alongside all other Basel Congress recordings here.

Webinars

Leveraging DICE simulation for modelling obesity

Presented by the Economics of Obesity SIG

Thursday, February 20, 2020
8:00 AM ET (check your timezone here)
Speaker: J. Jamie Caro, MDCM, FRCPC, FACP
Many interventions to reduce weight are in development and their benefits should extend beyond weight loss, including lipid and glycemia profile improvements and their downstream consequences. Thus, it is necessary to translate the physiologic gains to tangible clinical outcomes and to examine the potential economic implications in various target populations. A key component of this process is a flexible model that incorporates time-dependence and addresses risk factors as they cluster and change in individual patients. This is challenging because body weight fluctuates, has complex relationships to adverse consequences, and the results of treatment are individual and variable...

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Trajectories of Care at the End of Life: implications for health systems with ageing populations

Presented by the Economics of Palliative and End-of-Life Care SIG (EPEC)

Friday, February 21, 2020
2:00 PM ET (check your timezone here)
Speaker: Professor Heather McLeod

In many developed countries the success of the health system means people are living longer, but potentially also with longer and more complex trajectories at the end of life. In New Zealand there are projected to be large increases in the numbers of deaths as the baby-boomers reach the end of their lives, and the deaths for all ethnicities are projected to occur at much older ages....

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University Members

University of York: Short Courses in Health Economics

The Centre for Health Economics (CHE) at University of York offers a programme of short courses and workshops in health economics for members for the field, including health economists, health care professionals and students. You can learn more about the course offerings online here.
Awards

2019 Arrow Award Winners

Congratulations again to THE most recent Arrow Award winners Marcella Alsan and Marianne Wanamaker who were presented with their awards at the recent ASSA 2020 Annual Meeting!

(pictured, from left to right: Marcella Alsan, iHEA President Winnie Yip, Marianne Wanamaker, ASHEcon Executive Director Debbie Freund)

Career Center

The iHEA Career Center allows you to post your job openings and fellowships, find potential candidates and search new positions. It is open to members and non-members alike. You are able to search by Keyword, Country, Organization, Job category and more. We encourage everyone to click here to view this wonderful resource. We do hope that you utilize this tool and should you have any questions, please reach out to jobs@healtheconomics.org.

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