

2017-2018 Strategic Plan

Support medical regulatory authorities to achieve best practice by:

1. creating a global community of medical regulators by expanding IAMRA's membership and influence;
2. promoting appropriate accreditation processes to achieve high standards in medical education and training;
3. supporting and encouraging members to develop mechanisms for assuring the continued competence of doctors;
4. promoting and enabling the proactive sharing of fitness to practice/disciplinary information among IAMRA members;
5. strengthening the evidence base for regulation by encouraging research and evaluation of regulatory processes, and the publication and sharing of findings.

Goal 1: Creating a global community of medical regulators by expanding IAMRA's membership and influence, and increase value to members.

Objectives:

- a) Increase membership in underrepresented areas (e.g., Central and South America, Europe, non-English-speaking Africa)
- b) Identify key IAMRA resources that should be offered in other languages (website, conference)
- c) Facilitating opportunities for interaction among IAMRA members (e.g., webinar, conferences and symposia, social media)
- d) Support the establishment of regulatory systems where these do not currently exist
- e) Draft statements:
 - a. Primacy of patient safety
 - b. Supporting the independence of regulation
- f) Membership Committee to review format, frequency and content of membership survey
- g) Develop stakeholder engagement plan

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Goal 2: Promoting appropriate accreditation processes to achieve high standards in medical education and training.

Objectives:

- a) Draft a statement on accreditation of post-graduate training
- b) Establish and foster links with key organisations involved in the accreditation of medical education and post-graduate training programs

Goal 3: Supporting and encouraging members to develop mechanisms for assuring the continued competence of doctors.

Objectives:

- a) Review current statement on continued competence to include mention of value of reciprocity/substantive equivalency of CPD accreditation standards
- b) Establish a working group on continued competence that is inclusive of issues related to physician assessment and enhancement research and practices
- c) Commit to supporting biennial continued competency symposia

Goal 4: Promoting and enabling the proactive sharing of fitness to practice/disciplinary information among IAMRA members.

Objectives:

- a) Implement proactive data sharing system
- b) Encourage members to provide updated information regarding what is and is not included on their CGSs, CPCs, etc.
- c) Expand list of links to public registers and provide list of what information each jurisdiction includes
- d) Disaster response/medical aid – regulatory issues – consider a statement
- e) Compile a list of regulators who are willing and able to enter into electronic CGS/CPC sharing agreements

Goal 5: Strengthening the evidence base for regulation by encouraging research and evaluation of regulatory processes, and the publication and sharing of findings

Objectives:

- a) Establish a working group to progress this goal (tasks would include, e.g., conducting an environment scan, developing a foundational statement)
- b) Create a web-based repository of relevant published research about medical regulation