



PHARMACEUTICAL FORUM OF THE AMERICAS (PFA) ANNUAL REPORT 2017 - 2018



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ANNUAL MEETING 2017

On the 28th October 2017, in Lima, Peru, PFA held its Annual Meeting. In this meeting, Forum authorities were renovated, and the Executive Committee presented the Action Plan for 2017 - 2018, which was approved by the Meeting. It was approved the solicitude of the American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) from USA to become a member organization of the PFA.



NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS MEMBER OF THE PFA

Confederación Farmacéutica Argentina (COFA)
Conselho Federal de Farmácia (CFF) (Brazil)
Colegio Nacional de Químicos Farmacéuticos de Colombia (CNQFC)
Colegio de Farmacéuticos de Costa Rica (COLFAR)
Colegio de Químicos, Bioquímicos y Farmacéuticos de Pichincha (CQBFP) (Ecuador)
Asociación de Químicos Farmacéuticos del Paraguay (AQUIMFARP)
Asociación de Química y Farmacia del Uruguay (AQFU)
American Pharmacists Association (APhA) (USA)
American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) (USA)



PFA'S ACTIVITY IN 78th INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF FIP IN GLASGOW

Tuesday, 4th September 2018, 9.00-11.00
Extraordinary Meeting: single item on the agenda: Report on "Results of the projects executed with financial support from the PFA through competitive funds, periods 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and approved projects for the period 2018-2019".
Perspective of Presidents/representatives of member organizations.



PFA'S PROJECTS WITH FUNDS FROM FIP FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

- 1) The final report of the project executed with funds from FIP Foundation for Education and Research "Infectious diseases transmitted by the Aedes aegypti mosquito, dengue, chikungunya and zika: a challenge for health systems. Supporting pharmacists to contribute to the improvement of public health in the Americas population" was presented on March 2018.
- 2) Under execution: "Evaluation of the impact of the PFA/PAHO training in pharmaceutical Services based on primary healthcare in the Americas region".

WEBINARS GIVEN BY PFA

Using GoToWebinar platform given by FIP, PFA's broadcasted four webinars: "Dengue vaccination" (in Spanish and in English) presented by Dr Victoria Hall Ramírez (Costa Rica) on March 2018. "Pharmacist role in detection, control and prevention of arboviruses" (in Spanish and in English) presented by Dr Cristina Fernández Barrantes (Costa Rica) on May - June 2018.

And it will broadcast two more: "Yellow fever: Pharmacist's actions in its detection, control and prevention" presented by Dr Catalina Lizano Barrantes. The Spanish version will be on 22nd August and the English version on 29 August 2018.

GRANTS GIVEN BY PFA TO PROJECTS PRESENTED BY WORKING GROUPS FROM THE MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS OF THE FORUM

Three projects were presented to the PFA's call during 2018. It was selected the project "Pharmaceutical Activity in the Penitentiary Services of Argentina, period 2018-2019: scope and limitations. Situation analysis. Observational study" from Argentina.

ON-LINE COURSE ON ARBOVIROSES

In collaboration with COLFAR, PFA's will offer the virtual self-learning course "Pharmaceutical approach to diseases caused by arboviruses" from 3rd September to 26th November 2018.



FIP CONGRESS TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP

Dr José Pablo Díaz Madriz and Dr Alfonso Pereira Céspedes, both from Costa Rica, were the candidates who won FIP Congress Travel Scholarship to Seoul among 29 participants. Ms. Walleri Christini Torelli Reis and Mr. Wallace Entringer Bottacin, both from Brazil, were the candidates from PFA who won the FIP Congress Travel Scholarship to Glasgow among 39 applicants.

WEB SITE REDESIGN

The web site from PFA has been redesigned and it has a new and more attractive appearance.

REGIONAL AND NATIONAL EVENTS WITH PARTICIPATION OF PFA

XXIII Argentine Pharmaceutical Congress and I Conference of psychotropic drugs of Río Negro Province, Bariloche, Argentina, from 30th November to 2nd December 2017. The main topic of the Congress was "Pharmaceutical Services for Community Health. From the theory to the practice".
Course organized by FEFAS and PFA for Chile on "Pharmaceutical Services based on Primary Health-Care", Santiago de Chile, 27th and 28th July 2018.

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