



This issue of the IPA news letter is dedicated to the memory of Professor Ihsan Dogramaci

Message from the President



Dear IPA Colleagues and Friends of International Child Health,

It is with great sadness that we announce passing of Professor Ihsan Dogramaci, Honorary President of the International Pediatric Association (IPA) on Thursday, 25th February, 2010 in Ankara.

Professor Dogramaci is a unique and special man. Although he could have risen to the peaks of political power hierarchy in his country and his region, he chose instead to devote his life and career to the profession of Pediatrics and the causes of child health in his own country and in the world. His broad view of the importance of education to a country and all of its peoples led him to devote his energies to reforming the educational system in Turkey. His generosity and foresight led him to found two Universities which stand as giants, one in arts and sciences and one in medical education and training. He made a lasting mark on global

health with his long service to both WHO and UNICEF; he was part of their founding, and remained active in their causes throughout his life. He was devoted not only to the traditional issues of child health, but also to the wider societal issues which have profound impact on the status of children, as reflected in his leadership of the International Children's Center (ICC) now based in Ankara.

Professor Dogramaci was the leader and shepherd of the International Pediatric Association for many years, always insisting on the importance of Pediatricians to the health of children and countries and the wide world. He reached out to pediatricians everywhere, and welcomed the Pediatric Societies of Africa, Asia, Central Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East into the IPA family, a family that had been dominated by Europe and North America. His book on the History of the International Pediatric Association is a tribute to his devotion to these causes. He never lost faith in the power of pediatricians to change the world for the better by tending to the needs of the children and communities that they care for.

His vast interest in the arts, notably music, and to good and informed conversation made him a welcome and always entertaining companion. He is probably the only University leader who established a leading symphony orchestra as an inherent participant in University activities. And what a pleasure it was to hear the wonderful recitals that he often organized in his home!

We are all much richer for knowing Professor Dogramaci. He has indeed left a good and lasting mark on the world. His memory will remain with us, and we will miss him.

Prof. Dogramaci was a visionary who is known nationally and internationally for his contributions to health care, especially child health, and higher education as the founder of Hacettepe and Bilkent Universities. He was the last living signatory to WHO Constitution signed in July 1946 and was a member of Board of Centre International de l'Enfance established in 1949 in Paris which was relocated and revived in Ankara as the International Children's Center (ICC), by his dedication and initiatives.

As a visionary and a humanitarian, Professor Dogramaci's work in child health transcended all boundaries. He has dedicated his life to promoting physical, mental and social well-being of children as a doctor of medicine, the founder of Child Health Institute, the Honorary President of International Pediatrics Association (IPA), UNICEF, WHO, FIGO and UNFPA Task Force and as the founder and Honorary of President of Union of Turkic Pediatric Societies.

As he said in his own words, he envisioned the role of pediatricians as "to be spokespersons, preachers and advocates, using all opportunities to bring the attention of the public and its leadership to the importance of investing in children and youth for a better future for our communities. Investing more in health, especially child health, will contribute to developing communities and nations. A healthy and well-educated younger generation today is our promise for a better world tomorrow."



In order to forever remember this great mentor, IPA has sent our condolences to the Dogramaci Family and request Professor Enver Hasanoglu to represent IPA at the Funeral Service at Ankara on 28th February, 2010 conveying our appreciation for the good work of Professor Ihsan. We communicated with IPA members conveying this sad news to all pediatricians of the world. We plan to do a memorial service in Ankara in mid-April 2010 at the time of the IPA Standing Committee Meetings and again in August 2010 at the time of the IPA Centenary Congress in Johannesburg, South Africa. We propose to update the Book by Professor Ihsan on International Child Health and compile a Memorial Book by international child health workers, fans of Professor Ihsan and IPA Members endeavouring to collect fond feelings and appreciation for the good work of this greater mentor of ours and put them into permanent record as historic archive. We will deeply miss our mentor.

While on the subject of leadership as exemplified by our great Teacher, I am most pleased to witness leadership training and advocacy for child health being included at many child health conferences and congresses nationally, regionally and internationally and to witness consensus on the importance of quality child health care and professional ethics as pillar for these endeavours. IPA has stressed times and again the importance of Ethics in our professional practice. This is especially vital in the area of promotion of breastfeeding and our ethical relation with the Industry. Good ethics is one of the Resolutions of the IPA Council of Delegates in Athens in 2007 and pediatricians are committed to attain the highest level of ethics with reference to the "IPA Guideline on Relations with the Industry" and the Latest Version of the "WHO Code of Marketing for Breast Milk Substitutes". The IPA Ethics Committee tries our best to issue Guidelines on various aspects of Ethics and endeavour to monitor ethical standard in organizing professional conferences.

As a big family for child health, IPA consists of 148 national, 7 regional, 14 international pediatric societies and one committee of pediatric chairs. We together represent one million pediatricians in ONE Voice for Global Child Health. We have member societies belonging to less developed, developing and industrialized countries where we understand representing wide variations in terms of resources support, standard of practice and quality assurance in the implementation of child health services. As such, IPA strives to promote partnership between IPA member societies. We are pleased to witness fruitful results being germinated between the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health, the Norway Pediatric Society and many other national pediatric societies. Many of these are materialized in the form of travelling fellowship, combined scientific meetings, short training courses, reciprocal membership, shared resources and a large variety of other formats: all effected on the basis of fraternity, equality and mutual respect. A good start is half success! We hope to see more of these partnerships being established which would ultimately serve to improve the standard of child health care and to achieve our motto of "Healthy Children for Healthy World"

While the IPA Centenary Congress at Johannesburg in August 2010 is drawing near, we are pleased to inform you that the preparatory work is going in good order under the capable leadership of Professor Jane Schaller (IPA Executive Director), Professor Keith Bolton (Congress President), Professor Peter Cooper (Congress Scientific Chairman) and our powerful Organizing Committee with the professional input of Kenes International (our Professional Conference Organizer), These together with the enthusiastic support from our professional colleagues in terms of authoritative speakers, top quality papers and good social programmes will promise you a Congress of Minds. The Congress this year is important for you and for IPA because this is the first time we host our IPA Congress in Sub-Sahara Africa and the first time we host the Congress by IPA in conjunction with our national (South African Pediatric Association) and our regional pediatric association (UNAPSA). We also prepare a series of activities to celebrate the 100th Birthday of our beloved family IPA. The success of this Congress of course depends on your support and participation. We therefore earnestly invite you to come to Johannesburg and let us realize the scientific meeting and the festive century celebration together. I look forward to seeing you all at the Congress.

I wish you all reading pleasure and best of health!

Dr. Chok-wan Chan
President, International Pediatric Association (IPA)



From the Desk of the Editor

Dear Friends,

In this first issue of this year, we would like to wish that your new year has started off well and has given you lot of happiness and this continues through the year 2010. This issue includes a picture greeting from the IPA that was sent out to all the IPA member societies in January 2010.

Though this is a quarterly news letter, I format this on a monthly basis and little did I know that after putting in this Happy New Year message, I will have to format news for a very sad event for the month of February - a great loss to IPA –the passing away of the giant of IPA - Professor Ihsan Dogramaci .This issue is dedicated to the memory of this great man .It includes the tribute from IPA and some pictures in happy memory.

I was privileged to know him when I was the joint secretary of the 6th APPSEAR (now APPA) congress held in New Delhi India in 1994 and one of my main responsibilities was to look after our International guests. He had a towering personality with an endearing graciousness that had left an impact on my mind over the years and I was fortunate to know him more when I joined the IPA standing committee in 2001.

It has been a great experience bringing out four quarterly issues in the year 2009. I am really overwhelmed by the readers' appreciation which we put in the Readers response section. It makes all the hard work and time I invest in the newsletter very worthwhile. With the load of the news received and the ever expanding IPA activities, the pages of the news letter are increasing over every volume.

In addition to all the routine columns we have started a new column –Bouquets where we would like to put in the various achievements of our members. Please do send us details of yourself or someone you know.

This issue also carries matter for three program areas of IPA- Adolescent health, Environment and Immunisation .Do let us know if you are interested in joining these activities.

We also bring news from the 26th IPA congress at Johannesburg in August 2010, which is going to be a academic feast and a event to remember. Do register at the earliest.

Yours in Academy service
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IPA Tribute to Professor Dr. Ihsan Dogramaci 1915 - 2010



We of the International Pediatric Association are greatly saddened by the death of Professor Dr. Ihsan Dogramaci on February 25, 2010 at age 94. Professor Dogramaci was a Member of the IPA Advisory Board from 1965-1968, Chair of the IPA Executive Committee 1968-1974, Member of the IPA Executive Committee 1974-2010, IPA President 1974-1977, IPA Executive Director 1977-1992, and Honorary IPA President 1992-2010.

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"Happy memories of Professor Ihsan Dogramaci"

Photos contributed by Enver Hasanoglu



Prof. Dogramaci with Jane Schaller and Enver Hasanoglu in Dogramaci's House



Prof. Dogramaci in Almatti UNPSTR Congress



Prof. Dogramaci in Bishkek-Kyrgyzstan in UNIPSTR Meeting



Prof. Dogramaci in Bosnia with Grand



Prof. Dogramaci in Helsinki- Finland Turkish-Finish Pediatric Meeting



Prof. Dogramaci with Finish Pediatricians



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Prof. Dogramaci with former General secretary of UMEMPS - Dr. Thomadies



Prof. Dogramaci with Gavin Arneil (IPA)



Prof. Dogramaci with Grand (UNICEF) in Bosnia



Prof. Dogramaci with Kof Annan



Prof. Dogramaci with Nilo Hallman



Prof. Dogramaci at 2005 UMEMPS meeting
ISTANBUL



"Happy memories of Professor Ihsan Dogramaci"

Photos contributed by Swati Bhawe, Jane Schaller, Hussein Bahaaeldin, Ramesh Potdar



Felicitation of Prof. Ihsan and Mrs Dogramaci during IPA SC meeting in Bilkent in by APPA SC members 2003



Prof. Ihsan Dogramaci, Jane Schaller, Chok-wan Chan, and Mamdouh Gabr at ICC, March 2008



Prof. Dogramaci and Jane Schaller, Ankara, Turkey in 2009



Mediterranean Congress, Cairo - 1984



Interview with Prof. Ihsan Dogramaci
24 February 2009 Interviewed by
Prof. Hussein Kamel Bahaaeldin



Prof. Dogramaci group photo with Dr Potdar,
Fernando Olinto and Hussein Bahaaeldin at
IPA congress in Rio de Janeiro



“Happy memories of Professor Ihsan Dogramaci”

Photos contributed by Nike Grange and RD Potdar



Prof. Dogramaci with Dr Potdar at AAPSEAR congress 1994 New Delhi India



Prof. Ihsan, Perla & Nike in Ankara 2005



Report from IPA program areas

IPA program area on Adolescent Health & IPA Program area on Environment

Update on IPA AAP Global Tobacco Prevention program

A preliminary report of this program and its launch in Mumbai, India in March 2009 has been published on IPA news letter volume 5 no1 Jan March 2009 pg 12 under the section- NEWS from Program Areas

August 2009: Dr. Klein and AAP COO John Forbes met with the Dr. Chok-Won Chan and the leadership of the Hong Kong Pediatric Society, and facilitated a meeting between the HKPS and HK Department of Health's exemplary Tobacco Control Office. This meeting has led to establishment of a new and ongoing collaboration between HKPS and DOH in addressing parent's smoking and children's secondhand smoke exposure.

January 2010: Dr. Klein and Spencer Li, MPA, Director of the AAP Office of International Affairs, visited Shanghai as part of an AAP delegation, and met with Xiaoming Shen, MD, MPH, Deputy Mayor of Shanghai, Fan Wu, MD, MPH, Director of the Shanghai CDC, and Fan Jiang, MD, PhD, Associate Professor of Pediatrics at SCMC, and others to discuss planning and development of a training center for pediatric tobacco control and prevention. As the leading institution in Shanghai province, SCMC has referral, training and educational missions, which include 18 district/county hospitals, and 228 township-based primary health centers.

February 2010: Dr. Klein represented the AAP/IPA Tobacco Control Project and the AAP in an invited presentation to the 8th Session of the United Nations Ad Hoc Interagency Task Force on Tobacco Control on 17.18th Feb. Chaired by the WHO Tobacco Free Initiative, the session included WHO, UNICEF, World Bank, UNESCO, UNFPA, ILO (Labor), World Customs Organization, etc., for a total of 18 UN agencies, the Conference of Parties (Framework Convention on Tobacco Control monitoring group) and representatives from the permanent missions of Egypt, India, France, Pakistan, Japan, and Brazil. The theme of the session was focused on the role of tobacco control in achieving MDGs 4 and 5. The IPA/AAP collaboration was one of 8 NGO's invited to present at the session.

Dr. Klein reviewed the framing of tobacco as a pediatric disease, the evidence for the importance and effectiveness of pediatric interventions, IPA/AAP projects and goals, and successful models (the Neonatal Resuscitation Program worldwide, and the AAP Richmond Center dissemination of best practices in the US) for train-the-trainers spread of tobacco control interventions.

We proposed a model for collaborative projects to develop and implement training for child health clinicians in tobacco control to promote

- 1) best practice clinical interventions to prevent adolescent and adult tobacco use and children's exposure to secondhand smoke (SHS), and
- 2) clinician advocacy for effective community public health and policy interventions.

Specific activities include: 1. Convening a planning workshop of tobacco control and child health experts; 2. Modifying and producing a pediatric tobacco control curriculum appropriate for each country's language and culture, consistent with local health care systems; providing clinical practice tools and resources; and advocacy materials to engage pediatric leaders in tobacco control policies.



President IPA (Chok-wan),
AAP (Judith Palfrey and Jonathan Klein) and
PAPA Leaders at the Conference

3. Use a train-the-trainers model to engage lead trainers and assist them in spreading the training to child health clinicians; and
4. Providing technical assistance and resources. We hope that follow-up discussions with WHO may result in specific commitments to support training in target countries in the year ahead.

February 2010 : AAP President Dr. Judith Palfrey and Dr. Klein attended the 15th Annual meeting of the Philippine Ambulatory Pediatric Association, (PAPA) and a joint collaborative meeting between the AAP and PAPA in Manila, in February, 2010. They participated in workshops on tobacco and secondhand smoke to child health clinicians and professional, civic, government, and non-government organizations, and met with the Philippine Pediatric Society, P-NIH, Department of Health, and WHO Regional Tobacco Control Office to plan a series of workshops and lectures for 2010, focused on tobacco control policy change, and improving the skills of physicians, residents, medical students and other health care providers in counseling patients and families on smoking cessation. This Philippines trip was partially supported by the AAP Richmond Center's Visiting Lectureship program. Richmond Center Visiting Lectureships initiatives have been expanded to allow support for international tobacco control work: More information about the AAP/FAMRI Visiting Lectureships is at <http://www.aap.org/richmondcenter/fundingOpportunities.html>.

To further advance the goals of the Global Tobacco Prevention Program the AAP Richmond Center also collaborated with the Institute for Global Tobacco Control at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health to online modules on children, youth and tobacco control were released in December, 2009. The modules form part of the *Global Tobacco Control: Learning from the Experts* training program, supported by Bloomberg Philanthropies. The AAP modules, "Role of Healthcare Professionals in Tobacco Control" consists of four lecture/slide shows: Adolescents and Tobacco Prevention and Cessation, Tobacco Use Prevention for Children and Youth, Protecting Children from Secondhand Smoke Exposure and Establishing Smoke-free Environments for Children. The online training is available for free (at www.GlobalTobaccoControl.org.) and a certificate can be printed after completion of each module.

For more information about other aspects of this report and if you wish to join hands in this project please contact Swati Bhavne at sybhave@gmail.com or Ruth Etzel at retzel@earthlink.net or Jonathan Klein at jklein@aap.org



IPA immunization programme area

Report on the IPA activities for immunization proposed for 2010.

A report on the IPA immunization program area was submitted to the combined SC-EC meeting in Shanghai, China in October 2009. The highlight of this year was finalization of the committee members, the vision and mission were posted on the website as was a call to action on supporting the maintenance of current immunization and supporting introduction of new vaccines to the benefit of all children. As a follow on to the mission and vision set out for the immunization program area, the following activities are proposed for the coming year in 2010.

1. Educational activities

a. Web based curriculum

Develop an interactive web based curriculum for use by the pediatrician. The need for this is becoming urgent due to the fact that the number of vaccines available for use by the pediatrician is increasing at a very fast rate. In addition, the age group for vaccination is expanding to include adolescents in addition to the traditional age group of infants and young children.

Funding for this will be sought from international agencies in order to help formulate these training materials with evidence based recommendations that provide continuous medical education credit through internationally recognized institutions.

b. Regional Workshops

The IPA is an excellent resource of experts who can help organize and conduct workshops on immunization to pediatricians, general and family physicians as well as public health and other health care workers.

Funding for IPA branded workshop curriculum and design should be sought from international donors. These workshops can be organized in the different regions in collaboration with the international agencies.

2. Advocacy

- a. The role of the pediatrician in advocating for vaccines especially introduction of the newly introduced ones should be fully activated and utilized. Activities on vaccine advocacy will be introduced during the coming year with focus on rotavirus, pneumo and HPV vaccines.

Funding for this component will also be sought from international organizations.

3. Regional and international representation of the IPA in meetings and in educational activities.

The Chairman and co chairman of the immunization program areas as well as the committee members are encouraged to represent the IPA whenever possible in meetings on immunization.

4. Participation in pediatric meetings

The IPA immunization expert committee is expected to participate if called upon to contribute to regional pediatric meetings and other international forums by giving presentations on the different aspects of immunization as the organizers seek such expertise.

5. Create on the website, a vaccine adverse event reporting system that can be useful to international agencies. This can also help in providing international organizations an up-to-date information about rumors related to vaccines.

Finally the need for funding for these activities is necessary in order to be able to implement them. The IPA is called upon to help these programs to continue functioning by providing start up money in order to be able to carry on and raise the funding needed for many of these projects.

Report submitted by Najwa Khuri-Bulos Co-Chair of the immunization committee IPA



IPA collaboration with international agencies

Nov 2009

18-21st Hanoi, Vietnam

The GAVI Partners' Forum - Towards 2015: Responding to the call for life-saving vaccines.

Organized by GAVI (Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization) at the time of 10th Anniversary of GAVI and the 20th Anniversary of UN Charter for the Rights of the child (20th November 2009)

It consisted of two Meetings: The GAVI Partner's Forum and the meeting of the Civil Society Organizations (CSO) of GAVI

It was attended by 500 participants consisting of Health Ministers (39), Parliamentarians (8), Donors and Foundations, Vaccine Manufacturers, Civil Societies (45) and others). The meetings included plenary and concurrent workshops, talk show, panels, and others. There was a good exchange of views with effective collection of opinions. Current GAVI focus of vaccines; Pneumonia (Pneumococcal) and Diarrhea (Rotavirus) Vaccines on pipeline: HPV, malaria, rubella, typhoid)

IPA participation Chok-wan was CHAN invited as IPA President, Sanath Lamabadusyria (APPA President), Jane Schaller (IPA ED and Observer at the GAVI Executive Board)

All three actively participated at all the meeting sessions.

Summary of GAVI Talk Show given by Chok-wan Chan on 19th November 2009 in Vietnam on "What Civil Society (IPA) can contribute to GAVI?"

IPA has member societies representing one million paediatricians in ONE UNIFIED VOICE FOR GLOBAL CHILD HEALTH. 5 Paediatricians normally are gentle advocates and not activists unless in situations where child rights are deprived and child health are endangered.

The IPA Mottos: 1) Healthy Children for Healthy World 2) Child Survival, Child Health and Child Development

Strength of Paediatricians as Professionals The effective IPA membership network; The strong voice for advocacy; Powerful stakeholder for Child Health. Paediatricians work at different sectors of professions (case workers, clinicians, academics, public health, medical politicians, government policy makers and other).

We can work together on 1) Health education of parents and the public 2) Work together with parents for Child Advocacy in influencing the policy makers on national immunization programmes 3) Surveillance of Outcome of Vaccine usage and Immunization programmes

IPA suggestions for GAVI : Area of professional expertise from pediatricians'; Effective communication of IPA network with national, regional and specialty member societies; More seats of Civil Society representation at the Executive Board, Direct funding to Civil Society instead of the current funding-in-kind manner, Seek direct representation from civil societies .

At this meeting the GAVI Alliance Partners forum released "Civil society's call for action for greater involvement in GAVI alliance "Hanoi Vietnam 20th November 2009", which was signed by all stake holders including IPA

Edited version of report submitted by . IPA President Chok-wan CHAN



President Chok Wan Chan and
ED Jane Schaller with Gavi Officials

IPA Participation in PMNCH Board meeting

2nd to 5th December 2009 in Ottawa, Canada

IPA was represented at the December Board meeting of the Partnership for Maternal Newborn and Child Health by Zulfiqar Bhutta, IPA representative to the PMNCH Board, and Jane Schaller, IPA Executive Director and Academic Child Health representative to the PMNCH Board. The agenda was geared towards the upcoming G8 meeting in Ottawa where money will be apportioned for global activities including Maternal Newborn and Child Health. The Partnership Board met with members of the Canadian Parliament for an interesting breakfast discussion of how advocates for MNCH can convince political and government figures of the importance of their cause. Parliamentarians are extremely important to allotting resources to Maternal Newborn and Child Health and to all other causes.

There were also discussions of the regional healthcare professional workshops of PMNCH. A number of IPA member societies have already been involved in workshops held in Anglophone Africa, Francophone Africa, and South Asia. In December 2009 a fourth workshop will be held in Amman, Jordan for Middle Eastern MNCH Health Care Professionals and pediatric associations will be well represented there. A further workshop is being organized for Latin America in 2010.

Considerable time was spent discussing the PMNCH work plan and its various activities. The PMNCH has provided an important platform for IPA and the Health Care Professional Associations (HCPAs), and we should continue our active representation on the PMNCH Board. This activity requires a considerable amount of time and attention, and IPA thanks its representatives for their participation.

Submitted by Jane Schaller IPA ED



February 1-3 2010

WHO - GIM meeting. Geneva, Switzerland

The meeting was organized by WHO (immunization division) and UNICEF with GAVI. The aims of the meeting were to 1) update on the progress of GIVS (Global Immunization vision and strategy and the global immunization and mortality reduction goals in the overall framework of MDGs .2)To share policy decisions and recommendations from SAGE (Strategic Advisory Group of Experts) and other technical /advisory bodies .3)To Provide the global and regional staff of WHO and UNICEF as well as the immunization partner representatives with technical updates focusing on the programmatic issues related to the global immunization efforts including reaching the unreached

In addition all the WHO regional office representatives there was representation from UNICEF, GAVI, AMP from France, CDC Atlanta, Johns Hopkins, UN foundation, The Sabin Vaccine Institute, US coalition for child survival, The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, NESI, the IVI, NORAD, CPHA, NIAID, Medicine Sans Frontier, the red cross, many civil society organizations. There were 22 national government representatives.

IPA representation: Dr. Khuri-Bulos represented the IPA as a temporary advisor and made a presentation on the “engagement of the private sector in support and implementation of the National Immunization Programs”. This was the keynote for the morning session on the second day. She highlighted the many roles that the IPA and individual pediatrician can play in supporting the NIPs by advocacy, education and combating rumors among the public and the professionals as well. IPA has played a prominent role in the GAVI board. IPA has recently created immunization program with Dr. Ciro De Quadros as the technical. The IPA can be a major contributor to the efforts being made to educate, advocate and help support the immunization programs at the national, regional and international efforts.

In the deliberations of the meeting a review of the global immunization efforts was done including the recommendations on vaccine, coverage, and financing. It was noted that still 20% of children are still not vaccinated and many are still not receiving the recently introduced vaccines that have been proved to be effective in preventing pneumonia and diarrhea. The concerns discussed were: resurgence of measles and difficulties in Polio eradication Parental attitudes were also found to be an important cause of not vaccinating children. During the noon hour in the three days of deliberation three concurrent meetings took place and important aspects were discussed: introducing a birth dose of hepatitis B, introducing new vaccines to low middle income countries, GAVI strategy, rotavirus vaccine, the NITAGs.

Though the supply of vaccines is a major function of the public sector, the delivery of vaccines and the vaccination process needs greater engagement of the private sector and the civil society organizations including pediatric societies. This is a good opportunity for the IPA to take the initiative and pursue some of the projects which were suggested by the Immunization Program including the web based immunization course, as well as the survey for pediatric engagement in vaccination, organization and participation in immunization meetings both regionally and in international conferences and organizing regional workshops about vaccines.

Edited version of report submitted by Dr. Najwa Khuri-Bulos



News from IPA Regional Societies

December 2009

3 – 6th Florence, Italy

EPA/UNEPSA Conference

“Excellence in Pediatrics Stay Ahead of Children’s Medicine” under the Patronage of the Patronage Of the President of Republic of Italy

More than 700 participants attended, represented by more than 54 countries. The Chairperson was Professor Andreas Konstanopoulous (EPA President). The Opening Ceremony well attended by participants with good reception afterwards. The Meeting Sessions were well attended. Good quality papers and lectures with good examples of evidence-based medicine. There were two sessions -1) Session on Evidence-based Medicine and Child Nutrition (By EPA/UNEPSA and Child Health Field of Cochrane) Scientific Com Chair: Amido Rubino (One Day) and 2) Session on Excellence in Pediatrics (By EPA/UNEPSA and Child Health Field of Cochrane and Wiley Blackwell Publication) Scientific Chair: Stuart Logan (Three Days)

IPA participation :Both the IPA President Dr Chok Wan Chan and President-Elect Sergio Cabral were invited guests and actively participated at all the scientific social activities building good fraternity relations with our European colleagues They stressed on IPA Programme on Quality Care and Evidence Medicine under Giorgio Tamburlini and our commitment for quality care via the IPALA (for Undergraduate Education) and our Education Committee and Programs (for Pre-Service Training and Continuous Medical Education) There were many former IPA SC members including Manuel Moya, Giorgio Tamburlaine and others.

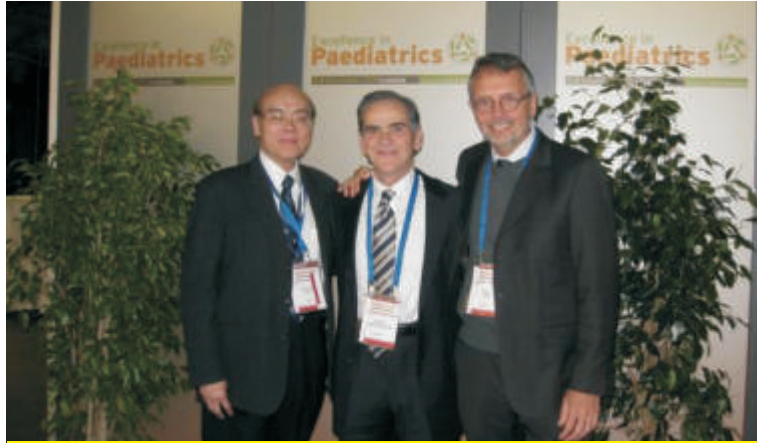
Chok Wan gave a good will message from IPA to the participants highlighting new IPA activities and updating our Newsletter and Website He stressed on the IPA Nutrition Programme under Ricardo and Manuel Moya with focus on the double-burden problems of malnutrition. He also gave two talks in: Session on Environmental Child Health and IPA and session on “Influenza Pandemic”

A business meeting of EPA was held .Professor Andeas was re-elected as EPA President. The Next Conference will be in London 2 -5th December 2010 on Paediatric Respiriology

Edited version of report submitted by President IPA Chok-wan CHAN



EPA / UNEPSA Conference



L-R President Chok Wan, President EPA Andreas and President elect IPA Sergio Cabral



Social dinner hosted by President EPA



Chok Wan and President of Indian Academy of Pediatrics Panna Choudhary



Chok Wan and President of Hungarian Pediatric society Professor Laszlo Szabo



November 18-22,

Buenos Aires, Argentina

6th World Congress of the World Society for Pediatric Infectious Diseases (WSPID)

This was held at Sheraton Buenos Aires Hotel & Convention Center, Participants: 2,700 from over 90 countries.

Organizers Professor Ron Dagan, President of the WSPID; Dr. Angela Gentile, Chairperson of the Local Scientific and Social Event Committees

The 6th World Congress of the WSPID was a very successful event in opening dialogue of pediatric infectious diseases worldwide, exchanging ideas, sharing new methods of prevention and treatment and breakthroughs, most of all it creates the worldwide partnerships that can cross borders not only to specialists, practitioners, researchers and scientists, but to the patients as well. At the closing, two awards were given to one best free paper and one best poster out of 800 abstracts submitted

The scientific program included vaccines, nosocomial infections, respiratory infections, immunocompromised patients, emerging infections, the regional societies symposia from Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, North America and Latin America, antimicrobial resistance, infection control, consensus symposium on catheter related infections and quinolone use in children, the world lecture on elimination of rubella. There were nine meet the professor sessions: update on immunization, pneumonia in developing countries, immunization of HIV-infected child, TB in children, hospital acquired outbreaks, treatment of bacterial respiratory infections, diarrheal diseases, bacterial meningitis, children with sore throat. From Asia, Professor Usa Thisyakorn gave a plenary talk on “Dengue: A Growing Global Health Threat” while Dr. Ping-Ing Lee on “Enterovirus 71”. A symposium “Infectious Diseases of Global Health Threat: Asian Perspectives” organized by the Asian Society for Pediatric Infectious Diseases was presented with the following speakers and topics: Professor Lulu Bravo on “Socio-economic burden and assessment of the impact of childhood diarrheal disease”, Dr. Ping-Ing Lee on “Influenza in Children” and Professor Usa Thisyakorn on “The successful experience of PMTCT of HIV”.

The next World Congress of the WSPID will be held in Melbourne, Australia on 16-20 November 2011.

Edited version of report submitted by Professor Usa Thisyakorn, President, 9th ICTP 2011 & Board member, World Society for Pediatric Infectious Diseases



Scientific session at the 6th WSPID



Collaboration between IPA Member Societies

February 2010 3-5th

Iberotel, Aswan, Egypt

Egyptian Pediatric Association (EPA) Diamond Jubilee Congress 1933 to 2008

The Meeting is hosted in collaboration between EPA and American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) subsequent to their signature of MOU for closer collaboration for child health

Total Attendants (all by invitation) 150 specialists. Congress Organizers: Hussein Bahaaeldin (Congress President), Ahmed Younes (Congress Secretary General).

EPA was established in 1933 (now 77 years old) and has glorious history of success within Egypt with outstanding achievements for child health and pediatrics in Egypt and has also contributed significantly to the Arab countries and the Mediterranean countries. It is one of the active member societies of IPA with great support to activities and potent leadership to the management of IPA (Mamdouh Gabr, Hussein Bahaaeldin, Ahmed Younes and many others)

AAP was represented by Marion Burton (President-Elect), Errol Alden (ED), John Forbes (CCO), Hazen Ham (American Board of Ped) and others.

The talks given by AAP were Errol Alden the Executive Director of AAP - AAP Policy Statements of 2009 and the AAP : Making a Difference of Children and Their Pediatricians. Marion Burton - the AAP Agenda for Children. John Forbes – Establishing a Model for International Pediatric Collaboration. Hazen Ham – Assessing General Pediatric Knowledge- During Post-Graduate Training. Paul Miles – Pediatrician Certification and Quality of Care in the United States

IPA was represented by Chok wan, Sergio, Jane and Peter and Enver Hasanoglu member IPA SC and and Secretary General of The Union of National Pediatric Societies of Turkish Republics (UNIPSTR)". The talks given by IPA were Chok Wan – Maternal, Newborn, and child Health: The Role of Pediatrics in the continuum of Care. Jane Schaller – Maternal Newborn and Child Health: Promising and Daunting Times. Sergio Cabral – Tobacco Dependency in Children. Peter Cooper – The IPA Congress at Johannesburg in 2010 and feeding Infants born to HIV Positive Mothers. Hussein Bahaaeldin – Education Health Interface: New Perspectives and Frontiers of Health and Education

Other Key participants were Andreas Konstanopoulos (UNEPSA President), Jean-Christopher Mercier Societe Francaise De Pediatrie, Senior pediatricians and heads of Pediatric departments of Egypt, Leaders from the Union of Arab Pediatricians, Leaders from South Asia (Bangladesh and others), Professor Mamdouh Gabr (President of IPA 1995 to 1998) and Professor Hamed Gamil Waly (President of EPA 1974 -1978)

There were good collaborative activities in terms of scientific projects, academic activities and reciprocal recognition of memberships

There was a award Ceremony during the inauguration where history and Development of the EPA was presented by Professor Selah Nasser (Vice President of EPA). There was also a presentation of Souvenirs of Appreciation to all pioneers of EPA and/or their descendants in recognition of their good work for the Association and presentation of Overseas Membership Certificates of AAP to EPA members

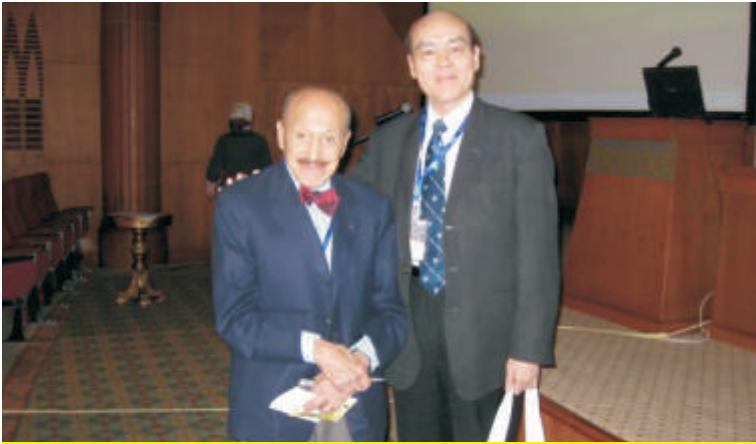
Edited version of report submitted by Chok-wan CHAN, Sergio CABRAL and Jane SCHALLER



EPA Diamond Jubilee congress



Group Photo at the opening ceremony



Chok-wan Chan (IPA President) and Hamed Gamil Waly (EPA President 1974 to 78)



Chok-wan, Jane, Sergio, Ahmed and Errol Alden



Chok-wan, Ahmed, Hussein, Jane and Mamdouh at the Opening Ceremony



23-25th February 2010

Manila

15th Philippine Pediatric Ambulatory Association (PAPA) & First Joint PAPA and AAP Conference

Theme for the Conference : "Global Health Issues Affecting the Filipino Children: Physicians as Public Health Advocates" No of participants more than 300

PAPA was established fifteen years ago. It is a section of the Philippine Pediatric Association (PPA) and consists of about 500 members mainly of pediatricians, child health workers and family physicians all dedicated to ambulatory pediatrics. Main activities of PAPA consist of immunization, parenting, child nutrition, developmental surveillance, mental health, childhood tuberculosis and child protection

PAPA was represented by the current President (Benjamin J Sablan), Founding President (Mutya San Agustin) and all Past Presidents plus more than three hundred members

AAP was well represented by Judith Palfrey (President) and Jonathan Klein (Deputy ED)

There were good collaborative activities in terms of scientific projects and academic activities. Topics discussed were ambulatory Pediatrics, child Advocacy for Children, tobacco Control and leadership Training for pediatricians

The President of IPA was invited as a guest and gave three talks :1) Importance of Ambulatory Paediatrics; The IPA Perspectives" at the Philippine General Hospital focusing on the international initiatives from IPA and WHO. 2) Roles of Ambulatory Pediatrics, Advocacy and Professional Partnership in Global Child Health" at the Opening Ceremony.3)"Coalition Building and Advocacy for Comprehensive Tobacco Control" at the Workshop for Tobacco Control stressing on indications, modes, strategic actions and outcome deliverables for alliance building

Business Meeting Between IPA, PAPA and AAP with the WHO WPRO Office on Tobacco Control within the Region: It was agreed that PAPA is an ideal coordinator for formation of a Coalition on Tobacco Control within Philippines. Reference can be taken from Hong Kong and Singapore based on their good work on the issue. A workshop on Tobacco Control will be included in APPA in 2010 during the IPA/APPA Conference on Child and Environmental Health in China.



The President: Dr. BJ Sablan

Meeting with Professor Perla Santos-Ocampo in Manila on 23rd March 2010-03-10

At the Gala Dinner



American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and Haiti

AAP and the members have expressed their profound sympathy to the people of Haiti as they cope with the aftermath of January's devastating earthquake. The Academy is sending aid through its Friends of Children Fund to support the pediatricians in Haiti and the children and families for whom they are caring. Approximately \$100,000 has already been donated by the AAP members through the Friend's of Children Fund.

Many AAP members have volunteered for work in Haiti to support the health structure. Some AAP members are still there. Many more members are working on coordinated efforts to support the Haitian people with their time and continued support.

The AAP is working with the US federal government and the National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions to help identify medical needs in the disaster area and to coordinate the response from U.S. pediatricians.

News submitted by William Keenan, SC member IPA and representative of AAP

News from National Pediatric Societies

CANADIAN PEDIATRIC SOCIETY (CPS)

Both the Canadian Pediatric Society (CPS) and the Academic Pediatric Societies (APS) of North America are meeting in Vancouver this year May 1-5 2010 because Vancouver has a new convention centre and the 2010 Olympic. Al Zipursky's Global Child Health will have symposium on May 3, 2010 on International Health. The CPS meeting will be held June 23-27,2010. The International section will have a dinner on June 25, 2010 to raise money for the resident international travel program.

Prime Minister Harper is hosting the G8 this year and has announced that maternal and child health will be a topic of discussion at the G8 meetings. CPS is providing appropriate information to Harper's staff.

In Canada, funds for Haiti relief are flowing through our Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, and many Canadian physicians have been involved in relief efforts.

CPS puts out an Advisory Resource Status Report on public policy affecting children and youth listing indicators and measurements of things like poverty and social determinants in each province. It is designed to provide pediatricians with information to be advocates.

CPS, the dieticians of Canada, the College of Family Physicians of Canada, and the Community Health Nurses of Canada have put out a statement called "Promoting optimum monitoring of child growth in Canada: Using the new WHO growth charts" as recommended by IPA.

The Canadian Pediatric Society is putting in a bid for the 2016 International Pediatric Congress and hopes to win the bid and be able to welcome all IPA member societies to the 2016 Congress meeting.

Edited version of report submitted by Judith G. Hall, CPS representative and EC member IPA



Bouquets

In recognition of his outstanding services towards the improvement of child health in Kenya, The President of the republic of Kenya confers to Professor Fred Were the order of Elder of the Burning Spear. This is a presidential commendation given to persons who have served the country with distinction towards achievement of a just course. Professor Were has been prominent in various activities aimed at improving child survival including; Paediatric HIV/AIDS care, Improved Immunization coverage and inclusion of new vaccines and public education in child health matters.



Professor Fred Were,
Newborn Physician,
University of Nairobi

Najwa Khuri-Bulos, IPA SC member and Co-chair IPA Immunisation Program has been



Najwa Khuri-Bulos

- 1) Selected to head the National Immunization Advisory (NITAG Group) in Jordan.
- 2) Invited to join the project to support public confidence in immunization programs supported by the Gates Foundation.
- 3) Invited to join the advisory group of the GIM Advisory Group on measles control and measles eradication supported by WHO.

Swati Y Bhawe, IPA EC member, IPA Co-ordinator of development and the IPA Technical Advisor on IPA program on Adolescent Health has been

- 1) Renominated for a second term to serve on the WHO HPV Vaccine advisory committee
- 2) Her book on FAQs on HPV Vaccine co-edited with the Director of the Cancer Research Foundation of India (CRF) has been released in India in Dec 2009 by Harold Zer Hausen Noble prize winner for HPV research



Prof Harold Zer Hausen with the authors,
Dr Swati Bhawe and Dr Massod Siddique



The 26th
International Pediatric Association
Congress of Pediatrics



"Simunye"
We are one

Johannesburg
South Africa
August 5-9
2010

News of the 26th International Congress of Pediatrics Johannesburg

4th - 9th August 2010

South Africa is a buzz with excitement today, as I write this. It is 100 days exactly until the 2010 FIFA World Cup of Soccer. Well, equally exciting is the prospect of the ICP in 158 days!! The programme is pretty much finalized and we are now very busy considering about 1000 abstracts. The nature of this congress is that the majority of sessions are addressed by illustrious international and local invited speakers but we are attempting to slot-in as many free papers from delegates as we possibly can. The bulk of these free papers will be in poster format but poster walks and oral presentations will allow us to highlight many of these contributions.

WORKSHOPS

There are more than a dozen workshops; either pre-conference or housed in the body of the conference. In the nature of this format, the attendance at these workshops will be limited – delegates will be registered on a “first come, first served basis”. Watch the Congress website for details as to how and when you can apply to register for the workshops. The scope of these workshops is broad indeed. They include (in no particular order):

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| 1. The Child and Environmental Hazards | 2. Managing Severe Malnutrition |
| 3. Managing the Child in a Disaster | 4. Neonatal Resuscitation |
| 5. Examining the Child's Limbs | 6. Serious Infections in Newborns & Infants |
| 7. Early Childhood Development | 8. Better Medicines for Children |
| 9. How to Access Grants | 10. Community-Based Newborn Care |
| 11. Recognizing Fetal Alcohol Syndrome | 12. Migration: Limiting its Effects on Children |
| 13. Quality of Care | 14. Interpreting the Child's Chest Radiograph |

If you can't find something to interest you in that lot, well then....there is a lot more on the go at the same time. In the next newsletter I will profile some of the guests and the social programme. See you in Jo'burg!!

Submitted by Keith Bolton Congress President



In this first issue IPA News letter of the year 2010,
we send New Year greetings to all our readers

All best wishes for a happy Holiday Season
and a bright and fulfilling New Year
From The International Pediatric Association



Members of The IPA Executive Committee at the March 2010 meeting at Oxford, England



Chok-wan Chan
President



Jane Schaller
Executive Director



Sergio Cabral
President - Elect

L-R Zulfiqar Bhutta –Treasurer, Sergio Cabral - President Elect,
Judith Hall - EC member, Jane Schaller - Executive director, Chok Wan Chan - President,
Husein Bahaaeldin - EC member, Swati Bhave – Cordinator



Events for March-October 2010

Clues and Cues in Pediatric Digestive and Nutritional Disorders

March 15-16, 2010
Luhug Cebu City, Philippines
Email: bebotgg90@yahoo.com
http://pspgn.org/clues_and_cues.php

Practical Pediatrics CME Course

March 18-20, 2010
Orlando, Florida, USA
http://www.aapexhibits.org/PPC/Orlando2010PPC_InfoSht.pdf

20th Biennial International Pediatric Conference of Pakistan Pediatric Association

April 1-4, 2010
Quetta, Pakistan
Email: aamird62@yahoo.com

Workshop on Perinatal Practice Strategies

April 9-11, 2010
Scottsdale, Arizona, USA
http://www.aapexhibits.org/Specialty_Section/Phoenix2010WkspPerinatal_InfoSht.pdf

4th Annual Update in Paediatric Emergencies

April 10-12, 2010
Noosa, Australia
<http://www.colloquium.com.au/page3/page3.html>

6th Congress of Asian Society for Pediatric Research ASPR

April 15-18, 2010
Taipei, Taiwan
<http://www.2010aspr.org/>

International Child Neurology Congress

May 2-7 2010
Cairo, Egypt
<http://www.icnc2010.com/>

The Power of Programming: International Conference on Development Origins of Health & Disease

May 6-8, 2010
Munich, Germany
<http://www.metabolic-programming.org/munich2010/>

Perinatal Medicine

May 26-29, 2010
Granda, Spain
<http://www.ecpm2010.org/eng/index.html>

19th world Congress of the International Association for child and Adolescent Psychiatry and allied professions

June 3-6, 2010
Beijing, China
<http://www.iacapap2010.org/en/index.asp>



9th International Congress on Pediatric Pulmonology

June 19-21, 2010
Vienna, Austria
<http://www.cipp-meeting.com/>

87th Canadian Paediatric Society Annual Conference

June 23-26, 2010
Vancouver, Canada
<http://www.cps.ca/English/AnnualConference/2010/Highlights.asp>

2nd International Workshop on HIV Pediatrics

July 16-17, 2010
Vienna, Austria
http://www.virology-education.com/index.cfm/t/2nd_International_Workshop_on_HIV_Pediatrics/vid/09ED0C89-DF29-B8A6-A36365290393D988

The 26th International Pediatric Association Congress of Pediatrics

August 4-9 2010
Johannesburg, South Africa
<http://www2.kenes.com/IPA/Pages/home.aspx>

106th Annual Meeting of the German Society of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine (DGKJ)

September 16-19, 2010
Potsdam, Germany
<http://www.dgkj2010.de/>

15th Congress of IPNA, 2010

August 29- September 2, 2010
New York, USA
<http://www.ipna2010.org/>

5th Asian Congress for Paediatric Infectious Diseases

September 23-26, 2010
Taipei, Taiwan
http://www.2010acpid.org/download/ACPID2010_sponsorship.pdf

XVIII ISPCAN International Congress

September 26-29, 2010
Honolulu, Hawai'i, USA
<http://www.ispcan.org/congress2010/>

3rd World Congress of Pediatric Surgery

October 21-24, 2010
New Delhi, India
<http://www.pedsurgery.in/>

The 3rd Congress of the European Academy of Paediatric Societies (EAPS)

October 23-26, 2010
Copenhagen, Denmark



Readers responses'

I must put on record my appreciation of your untiring efforts to give IPA an exposure to the pediatricians of the world which will go a long way to make it a real vehicle for bonding between various countries. The huge and useful information and proper layout makes it readable and preservable. I wish you the best in sustaining this activity for a long time to come.

Dr Ramesh Potdar, Former -SC member IPA, former President of APPA & former President IAP, Mumbai, India

Well done for producing such an informative and quality newsletter

Russell Viner, Regional Vice President IAAH and Reader in Adolescent Health, UCL Institute of Child Health, London UK

Superb as usual - a praise worthy creation.

Dr CP Bansal, Former Vice President IAP, Chairperson IAP Adolescent Chapter Gwalior India.

My heartiest congratulations for bringing out such comprehensive and interesting IPA newsletters, truly international in all aspects. Your hard work and dedication can be seen vividly through the extensive information you have collected and compiled. Not surprising though, as you have always benchmarked whatever you have attempted. Keep up the good work.

Dr Bela Sachdeva, Senior Pediatrician, Ahalia Hospital, Abu Dhabi, UAE

I find The IPA newsletters very interesting and useful.

Dr Harashad Takvani, Former President of IAP Gujarat Branch, India

Congratulations on such a nice newsletter. And thanks for holding the space for the IAAH report!

Professor SM Sawyer, Regional Vice President IAAH Director, Centre for Adolescent Health Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne, Australia

The IPA Newsletter is impressive to say the least. Thanks so much for publishing the news on the IAP Drug Formulary in the Newsletter as a project of Indian Academy of Pediatrics.

Jeerson Unni, Former Chairperson Medical electronics and Computer group of IAP, Cochin India