

Greetings,

The International Chiropractic Regulatory Collaboration (ICRC) is currently an informal group established to support jurisdictions that have legislative authority to register Chiropractors and to assist those working toward adding regulatory structure for the protection of the public. The inaugural forum was held in 2009 and has been meeting annually since. This forum has become instrumental in collaborating and sharing of information relative to current practices, international updates and trends.

Chiropractic, Chiropractic education and the regulation of Chiropractic are growing internationally at a very rapid pace. The regulation of chiropractors for the protection of the public, the promotion and insurance of high standards in both practice and education, licensure, registration and professional conduct are issues that we all face. International cooperation, collaboration and support can be best achieved by like minds in similar circumstances. We look forward to adding new faces and meeting with friends again in 2016.

It was decided at the May 2015 ICRC Forum to consider the 2016 forum be held in Geneva Switzerland alongside the WHPA regulatory conference (WHPRC). To date there has been some discussion however a consensus has not be met and plans are not complete. There are a number of you who are already planning to attend so to this end and to present a final proposal at the upcoming teleconference on 17 February 2016, please consider the information below.

If you are no longer the appropriate contact person for your organization would you please forward this to the most appropriate person as soon as possible. If you are aware of an appropriate organization representing regulation or the desire for regulation in an unregulated country, please forward this information so that they may attend out of interest.

Please reply to this email in answer to the following questions no later than Friday Tuesday 16 February 2016:

1. Of the 4 meeting options discussed below, what option would be most preferable to allow you or a delegate of your regulatory body or associated entity to attend

2. Would you agree to the proposed attendance fee structure to assist providing a keynote speaker and to assist with the cost of the forum meeting?

3. Are there any additional agenda items you would like added?

4 Meeting options:

1.

Date: Friday 20 May 2016 or Monday 23 May 2016 (preferred, see below);
9am – 5pm
Geneva Switzerland to coincide with WHPRC
(<http://www.whpa.org/whpcr2016/programme.htm>)

WHPRC: The programme for this meeting highlights discussion on a number of topics very relevant to the work and purpose of ICRC. In particular topics such as International regulation versus national regulation, Regulation in a globalized and multi-professional world, Impact of shared competencies and scopes of practice on regulation and quality of care. These topics may very well form a basis for further discussion at our meeting and how we are strategically placed to begin tackling some of these existing and upcoming issues amongst our globalizing profession.

In addition, there are a number of potential keynote speakers who would be very exciting and relevant already in Geneva for either WHPRC or the International Society of Dental Regulators.

2.

Date: Sunday 8 May 2016
Oslo, Norway to coincide with ECU Convention
(Note: ECU council meeting is 4th of May and it would be fabulous if we could have a representative make a presentation to their board).

3.

A meeting independent of any other meeting, location and venue TBA, most likely June 2016. Would need to be coordinated around the other meetings.

4.

Anticipated 19-23 October 2016 in conjunction with WFC Educational Conference, Montreal Canada; Please keep in mind that WFC Congress is next held in Washington DC in March 2017 and if the ICRC Forum 2017 is expected to be held in conjunction with this then would only be 5 months from the 2016 forum if held in October.

Draft Agenda for Consideration for 2016 ICRC Forum

1. Ramifications of member withdrawal from CCEI - How might this potentially affect regulation in your region?
2. Portability of practice
 - a. Develop a master list of requirements of a majority of regions to place on website for reference; cross match requirements
3. Accreditation Standards
 - a. Discussion of new CCEI standards
 - b. Comparison of regional accreditation standard - Are there significant differences?
4. Roadblocks to Regulation in developing countries. How can we help?
5. New policies around the globe
 - a. Have you developed a new policy you would like to share?
 - b. Discussion of policies and challenges
 - i. Paediatrics
 - ii. Social Media and Advertising
6. Competency Assessments
 - a. Standards
 - b. Relevance
7. Joint statement on unregulated territories
8. Further pursuit of more formal arrangement for ICRC
 - a. Society structure with bylaws
 - b. Other structure
9. Discussion on a 'fees' or 'dues' arrangement for future development of ICRC and meetings etc.
10. Adopt a preferred method of communication throughout the year to promote continued liaison and communication among members to remain engaged beyond annual face-to-face meeting i.e... Private group on Facebook, other private communications methods beyond email etc...

Cost/ Fee for 2016 ICRC Forum

Any meeting incurs costs. Currently the ICRC has a small retained fund through which a very small Portion of the costs of this meeting can be met.

Payment of funds below will allow you two delegates to represent you at the forum.

Regulatory Bodies with more than 500 registrants €400 Euro

Regulatory Bodies with less than 500 registrants €200 Euro

Non-regulatory body but with association or alliance to regulation €500

Other interested party €600

Extra representative in additional to the two delegates included above €100

I am excited to hear from you by February 16th and look forward to meeting you or seeing you again this year.

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