



Dear Colleagues:

I hope this message finds you well. Personally, the past 4 weeks included a whirlwind of activity beginning with a wonderful trip to the BARNA Conference in London, then off to Miami Beach and Virginia to oversee a household move to the U.S. state of Pennsylvania. My husband, Chuck, will attend a military university programme for the next 11 months, so we again find ourselves packed up, unpacking and settling into a new city and apartment. It's a strange feeling because for the first time in many years, now having 2 grown men for children, we're "on our own" and keeping in touch with the guys by Facetime and text - their preferred mode of communication. I guess moving and maturing does keep life ever changing and quite interesting!

Our ACPAN colleagues and ICPAN Education Chair Angie Winter are busy with final programme preparations while getting ready to welcome 300+ registered delegates to beautiful Sydney for the November Conference! Our sincere thanks go to Suzi Querreul, who transitioned ICPAN Conference Chair duties to Fiona Newman in early June due to unanticipated family relocation demands. The 2 preconference workshops and hospital visit slots filled quickly when announced, with cancellation waiting lists begun for other interested delegates.

As we prepare to meet in Sydney for the 4th ICPAN gathering, the Transitional Board of Directors (Board) would like to share an activity update on Bylaws implementation work. The Global Advisory Council (GAC) representatives will continue to share ICPAN information from its regular meetings.

Since September 2015, the Board held monthly meetings to operationalize the ICPAN Bylaws as advised by non-profit legal counsel. Board members with advice from the GAC have completed important work, thereby achieving the transition period's foundational goals. To that end, the Board is preparing a comprehensive report to be delivered at the Biennial General Meeting (BGM).

Major goals advanced by the ICPAN Transitional Board (<http://www.icpan.org/board-of-directors.html>) with support from GAC representatives' recommendations (<http://www.icpan.org/global-advisory-council.html>):

1. Bylaws Operationalized and Reviewed

Membership Categories, Organisation Annual Renewal Period

- Current organisation membership = 11. *Welcome, Sweden and Greece!*
<http://www.icpan.org/global-advisory-council.html>
- Assistance made available to support any country desiring to develop an organization
Greece sought/received mentorship, established formal perianaesthesia organisation status.
Congratulations on this success!!!
- Board, GAC agreed first membership renewal notice to be issued September 2017
ICPAN Membership Secretary Ann Hogan will e-mail renewal message
- Membership renewal due 1st October <http://www.icpan.org/membership.html>
- *Please use secure web-based membership renewal payment system* (developed by ICPAN Webmaster Michael Maino, tested for functionality, successfully used by Greece's leadership to become ICPAN member) <http://www.icpan.org/organisational-membership-form.html>
- Affiliate Member application/secure payment system created, tested, ready for use
<http://www.icpan.org/affiliate-membership-form.html>.

No affiliate members have joined to date.

Bylaws Review Completed

The Bylaws document, developed in 2015 by the Steering Committee under advice of non-profit counsel, was found to have minor language inconsistencies across sections. Revisions approved by the Board ensured parity of language throughout the document and in no way impacted the role or powers of the GAC. The revised document will be shared/discussed at the July GAC meeting and has been posted for access on the secure GAC webpage. ICPAN Secretary will present/discuss the minor changes made at BGM in Sydney.

Note: Bylaws & policies may be changed when sought / approved by elected ICPAN officers and the GAC

2. Seating First Elected Board

- Election process developed, incorporated review recommendations from GAC. ICPAN President Sue Fossum (holds sole non-voting board position) will lead election process with Secretary Laura Van Loon providing review support
- *All GAC and Board members are eligible for Board candidacy, encouraged to nominate/self-nominate*
- Bylaws stipulate no voting by proxy; anonymous balloting will be accomplished via secure web-based survey link prior to Sydney Conference with results announced at the BGM

** As previously noted, ICPAN may eventually desire to form separate nominating committee to administer elections*

3. 2019 Conference Bid Results

- 2019 Conference Host application call sent to all member organisation leaders: issued in late April, confirmed in early June 2017
- *No hosting bids were submitted by the 1 July 2017 deadline*
- Per policy, ICPAN Board is responsible for organizing and hosting the 2019 Conference. The Board is currently investigating various site hosting opportunities and will announce 2019 location in Sydney

4. Promote global outreach and collegial support



SAFE-T global collaboration member.

Committed to advancing patient safety and international standards for safe perianaesthetic practice: <http://www.wfsahq.org/component/content/article/14-home/595-safe-t-consortium>

Cooperating with LifeBox to share impact of its global outreach at Sydney Conference (<http://www.lifebox.org/about-us/>).

ICPAN's Chair will participate in a multinational safety and quality forum being held by anesthesiology colleagues in September 2017.

2017 Conference Requests and Reminders

- **Action Item for GAC Reps**
 - Please provide leadership attendee names to ICPAN Vice-Chair/GAC Chair Pat Smedley, who is compiling a list of country representatives attending Sydney biennial meetings for Chair's logistical planning purposes
- **Support Needed for Gathering of Nations Plenary Session**
 - Requesting help from those attending to lead mixed delegate nationality table discussion
- **Registration Remains Open**
<http://www.icpan2017.com.au/registration/>
 - Early Registration was extended, closed on 30 June 2017
- **Silent Auction:** Led by Trica Garrioch (Canada) with mentorship support from past organizer Fionuala O'Gorman (Ireland). *Donation information coming soon!*
- **A valid Visa must be obtained to visit Australia** <https://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Visi/Visi>
 - Apply online if outside Australia and holding eligible country passport

BIG THANKS to ASPAN, NAPANc and BARNA for inviting ICPAN to participate in your Annual Conference!



ASPAN – Indianapolis



NAPANc - Vancouver



BARNA - London

Thank you all for the enthusiastic support of ICPAN's mission.

Please share this update with your governing board and members. As always, if you wish to discuss the contents of this report or share any thoughts or suggestions please do contact me.

We look forward to meeting and socializing with everyone in Sydney soon!

All the best,

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