



COLLEGE OF INTENSIVE CARE MEDICINE OF AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

REPORT FROM THE CICM BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 2011

The recent College Board meeting was held on Thursday 17th November, with a workshop held the next morning to discuss the progress of the curriculum review.

Guests at the Board meeting were Kate Leslie (ANZCA President), John Kolbe (RACP President) and the new President of ANZICS Mary White. New Fellows Representative, Nick Simpson, gave a presentation on the New Fellows Conference and the Online Journal Club. The Chair of the New Zealand National committee, Tony Williams also attended the meeting.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS

College Staff

The College has recently hired a new staff member, Tracy Tanti, who will be responsible for Hospital Accreditation and the Journal. Elyse Lithgow, Administrative Assistant, Training & Examination, has left the College and a replacement is currently being sourced.

IT Projects

The College is currently undertaking extensive IT projects and improvements including the online CPD Diary, an online journal club, online registrations and broad database improvements.

Specialist Training Positions

The College has had two successful STP applications for funding in 2012 and the CEO is in discussions with ANZCA to collaborate on the administration of the positions. The successful applications came from Mount Hospital and Mackay Base Hospital.

AMC Accreditation

The AMC and the MCNZ have officially notified the College that, following the lengthy accreditation process in the first half of this year, we have been granted accreditation until the end of 2015, subject to satisfactory annual progress reports. The AMC and the MCNZ have noted many areas for commendation and also areas for improvement that they will be looking to

see addressed in the annual progress reports. The full report will shortly become a public document available through the AMC's website, or a copy may be obtained through the college.

REGIONAL & NATIONAL COMMITTEES

New Zealand Representation

New Zealand National Committee Chair, Tony Williams, attended his first College Board meeting as the New Zealand representative.

EXAMINATIONS

Primary Examination

28 candidates presented for the last Primary Exam and 9 went onto the orals with 8 passing, this meant an overall pass rate of 30%. The new Primary Syllabus was approved and is now available on the website. The syllabus will come into effect for the September 2012 sitting of the exam. The Board agreed that every C24 unit should have a Primary Examiner and this will be written into IC3 as part of the Curriculum review.

General Fellowship Examination

The Board approved the examiner application from Dr Siva Senthuran. The most recent General Fellowship exam had a pass rate of 65% with 43 successful candidates. The Examinations Committee are also discussing limiting the number of exam attempts in the future.

Paediatric Fellowship Examination

At the most recent Paediatric exam 5 of the 11 candidates were successful. Dr Michael Yung has been approved as an examiner for 2012. The Board have begun discussions around the possible development of a Paediatric section within the College, further discussion will follow in 2012.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Education Committee

A number of SOT's were approved at the recent Board meeting. Changes to the Training Document, T-10 The Role of Supervisors of Training in Intensive Care Medicine were approved. The updated document can now be found on the website.

Communications Course

A number of successful communication courses were run in 2012 and the Board agreed that an extra module to include negotiation and conflict resolution should be included in future courses.

It is anticipated that the communications course will become a mandatory part of training in due course.

Online Journal Club

Work on the new Online Journal Club is progressing well, and a presentation from Dr Nick Simpson provided the Board with more detail about the themes and format. The first presentation is due to go on our website early in 2012

Trainee Committee

The Trainee Committee have been providing valuable feedback to the Curriculum Review Committee while also working on projects including pathways for difficult trainees, feedback mechanisms for trainees about SOT's and also communication feedback.

HOSPITAL ACCREDITATION

Hospital Accreditation Committee

The following hospitals have undergone recent HAC inspections and continue to be accredited for training:

Children's Hospital at Westmead	C24
Sydney Children's Hospital	C24
Rockhampton Hospital	C6
Prince of Wales Hospital	C24
Capital Region Retrieval Service	C6
BC Children's Hospital	C12
St Vincent's Hospital	Basic
Joondalup Health Campus	Basic

The Board approved an addition to Policy Document IC-3 Guidelines for Intensive Care Units Seeking Accreditation for Training in Intensive Care Medicine. The addition is regarding accreditation of overseas intensive care units and the updated document can be found on the website.

RURAL & REMOTE

Rural Update Course

Planning is well underway for the rural update course to be held in March 2012, "From Bush Track to Boulevard". The course will be held in Byron Bay and registrations will open before the end of the year.

Rural Health Continuing Education Grants

The College has been awarded a third RHCE grant, of \$60,000 to create an educational DVD focusing on communication skills with indigenous patients in critical care. Work on the DVD will begin in 2012.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

2012 ASM: 25th – 27th May, Melbourne

Organisation is progressing well for the 2012 ASM with a platinum sponsor secured and a number of booths sold.

2013 ASM: Wellington

Planning is underway for the 2013 ASM to be held in Wellington, New Zealand. Venues for the conference and the graduation dinner are currently being finalised.

New Fellows Conference

New Fellows representative, Dr Nick Simpson, reported to the Board that the 2011 NFC was extremely successful with very positive feedback. Planning for 2012 is progressing very well with the themes including What Does the Future Hold for Intensive Care Medicine.

FELLOWSHIP AFFAIRS

Continuing Professional Development

The new CPD program project is nearing completion with the final stage of testing of the online diary currently underway. All the documentation has been drafted and new pages on the website are being designed.

Admission to Fellowship by Examination and by the OTS Pathway

The following were formally admitted to Fellowship:

Dani Goh	NSW
Daniel Nistor	NZ
Kylie Julian	NZ
Alex Kazemi-Jovestani	NZ
Harn – Yih Ong	VIC
Brent McSharry (PAEDS)	NZ
Kollengode Ramanathan	QLD
Melanie Saw	WA
Balaji Bikshandi	QLD

Jonathan Casement	NZ
Joseph Vetro	VIC
Karishma Maharaj	NSW
Darshana Kandamby	HK
Raj Kumar	QLD
Andrew Williams	NZ
Corrine Balit (PAEDS)	NSW
Rajendra Goud	NT
Nai Lai	QLD
Steven McGloughlin	QLD
Erez Ben-Menachem	NZ
Amit Kansal	NSW

FINANCE

The Board approved a CPI increase (3%) to all subscription, training and examination fees for 2012.

Currently the College is close to budget in most areas for the 2011 year to date and will probably finish the year slightly ahead of budget. The budget for 2012 has been approved by Board with the main features being a small anticipated increase in revenue overall and a corresponding small increase in expenditure. Overall the Board aims to run at an annual surplus of between 5 -10% of our overall revenue.

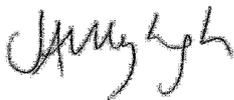
PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS

Policy Documents

The Board have agreed to support a proposal from ANZCA to amalgamate two shared documents; PS39 Minimum Standards for Intrahospital Transport of Critically Ill Patients and PS59 Minimum Standards for Inter hospital Transport of Critically Ill Patients. A CICM representative will be on the working group assigned to the task.

Regulations

A minor amendment was made to Regulation 5 regarding the rural rotation, the updated Regulations can be found on the College website.



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