

MEETING SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2015

8:00 AM — 8:30 AM **BREAKFAST**

8:30 AM — 8:45 AM **WELCOME**

William A. Hatherill, Chair, INPTRA Board of Directors

8:45 AM — 10:15 AM **MOBILITY AND COMMON STANDARDS**

Globalization and labour mobility continue to be key driving forces behind social, economic, and political policy throughout the world. This has had a huge impact on the work of health regulators. The need to be accurate but fast in our decision making, and to develop policy that promotes mobility but maintains appropriate standards for safe and effective physiotherapy care has never been more important; nor as potentially complex.

Drawing from the experiences of three different international agreements (ASEAN, the Australia-New Zealand agreement, and the European common practice standard), this session explores the promises and pitfalls of different models of mutual recognition in physiotherapy regulation. The Canadian study comparing and matching accreditation standards will be presented. The discussion should elicit diverse perspectives on whether a single physiotherapy standard is possible or desirable.

MODERATOR: Katya Masnyk, Canada

PANEL:

Raul Agustin, Philippines
Kathy Grudzinskas, Australia
Dianne Millette, Canada
Janice Mueller, New Zealand
Marc Seale, United Kingdom

10:15 AM — 10:45 AM **DISCUSSION**

10:45 AM — 11:00 AM **BREAK**

11:00 AM — 12:15 PM **CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

With an ever expanding and evolving scope of professional practice, the challenge for each practitioner is their own continuous professional development and how they can remain a competent practitioner throughout their professional life. How should regulators deal with these challenges? The panel will identify regulatory considerations and will look at some examples of CPD programs and how regulators are dealing with these challenges.

For example, Physiotherapy Alberta will focus on their program to advance a culture of quality improvement, which integrates knowledge, mobilization, and practice enhancement strategies.

MODERATOR: Mark Lane, USA

PANEL:

Michael Guthrie, United Kingdom
Nancy Kirsch, USA
Susan Layton, USA
Dianne Millette, Canada

12:15 PM — 1:15 PM LUNCH

1:15 PM — 2:00 PM SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

2:00 PM — 3:15 PM ETHICS, ENFORCEMENT, AND COMPLIANCE

Many thought-provoking issues will be covered in this discussion of how regulatory authorities work to deal with ethics violations in order to protect the public. Those issues include:

- A description of different countries/states/provinces' programs to curb ethical violations and how well they are working.
- The conundrum of continued ethical violations in spite of ethics training prior to and consistent reminders of ethical behavior after licensure/ registration.
- The difference in the mindsets behind punishment and remediation and which may be more effective in protecting the public.

MODERATOR: Mark Lane, USA

PANEL:

Charles Flynn, Australia

Nancy Kirsch, USA

Shenda Tanchak, Canada

3:15 PM — 3:30 PM BREAK

3:30 PM — 4:15 PM SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

4:15 PM — 5:15 PM EMERGING PHYSIOTHERAPY REGULATION

We are all at different stages of developing and/or updating our regulatory models. In this session, you will learn about three countries that are in the process of establishing physiotherapy regulation. The panelists will present their challenges, approaches to dealing with these challenges, and will also share their successes. We believe that this will ignite a lively discussion of the pros, cons, pitfalls, and successes we have all experienced as we work to develop or improve our regulatory systems.

PANEL:

Douglas Chepkwony Kotut, Kenya

Sheelagh McNeill, Ireland

T.M.U. Sanjeeva Tunpattu, Sri Lanka

5:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECEPTION

MEETING SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2015

8:00 AM — 8:30 AM **BREAKFAST**

8:30 AM — 9:45 AM **MULTIPROFESSIONAL REGULATION—THE FUTURE FOR PHYSIOTHERAPY?**

This session will explore two models of multiprofessional regulation at different stages of their evolution and development.

The model in the United Kingdom has developed over the past 60 years in response to a series of significant legislative and health policy changes. The Health and Care Professions Council regulates 16 professions, including physiotherapy and is the most cost-effective regulator of health professionals in the United Kingdom.

Australia adopted a national model of health professional regulation in 2010 that initially covered 10 professions, including physiotherapy. The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency, working in partnership with 14 national boards, now regulates 14 health professions. This significant change has included a strong focus on multiprofessional regulation approaches that are rapidly evolving and maturing, facilitated by a series of recent reviews and developments in health policy and legislation across the country.

MODERATOR: Greg Ross-Sampson, United Kingdom

PANEL:

Jill Humphreys, Australia
Marc Seale, United Kingdom
Paul Shinkfield, Australia

9:45 AM — 10:30 AM **SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION**

10:30 AM — 10:45 AM **BREAK**

10:45 AM — 11:00 AM **CURRENT TOPICS**

What are the current topics you are dealing with related to the regulation of physiotherapy? This session will identify the most important topics amongst the participants. You will then have the opportunity to pick two of the identified topics to discuss in small groups. The outcome for the session will be a greater understanding of the topic as well as identification of potential ways to address the topics.

POTENTIAL TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Telehealth
- Support personnel (physical therapist assistants, aides, technicians)
- Advanced practice
- Internationally trained applicants and recognition
- Scope of practice—direct access, dry needling
- Entry competence—education? testing? other?
- Professionalism—what is it, is it a regulatory issue, and how do you measure it?

- 11:00 AM — 12:00 PM **SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION**
- 12:00 PM — 1:00 PM **LUNCH**
- 1:00 PM — 2:00 PM **SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION**
- 2:00 PM — 2:15 PM **BREAK**
- 2:15 PM — 2:30 PM **INPTRA REGULATORY GUIDING PRINCIPLES**
 There are many possible models for effective regulation. The INPTRA Board of Directors has developed Guiding Principles for regulators that should be part of any effective regulatory model. Participants will share how their countries regulatory scheme addresses or doesn't address the principles and will have a chance to provide input into the principles.
 MODERATOR: Paul Shinkfield, Australia
- 2:30 PM — 3:00 PM **SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION ON GUIDING PRINCIPLES**
- 3:00 PM — 3:15 PM **LARGE GROUP REPORT OUT**
- 3:15 PM — 3:30 PM **INPTRA STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES**
 What should INPTRA be doing to help physiotherapy regulators around the globe? What resources and tools would help you perform your job? How can INPTRA be more effective for you? The INPTRA Board has developed some strategic objectives and would like participants' input into the objectives. This session will also identify ways in which members and interested regulators can get more involved in INPTRA.
 MODERATOR: William A. Hatherill, USA
- 3:30 PM — 4:00 PM **SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION ON STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES**
- 4:00 PM — 4:15 PM **LARGE GROUP REPORT OUT**
- 4:15 PM — 4:30 PM **ADJOURN**
- 7:00 PM — 10:00 PM **NIGHT SAFARI (for those who previously registered)**