

MINUTES ADVOCACY WG

Advocacy for Children Working Group, Saturday 14 December 2013 Brussels

Attendance and apologies

Minutes Meeting Jerusalem 2012

Not available.

Projects and Alliances

The Advocacy Working Group strategy requires a systemic approach with cooperation with internal (other EAP WG) and external partners (other pediatric associations).

Two pediatric associations have been asked to join the WG : ECPCP and ISSOP.

Angel Carrasco presented at the ECPCP General Assembly in the Tel-Aviv meeting in July 2013 the objectives of the WG and ECPCP delegates agreed to participate. The ISSOP Executive Committee agreed also to join the WG, and named as representative one of its members: Luis Martin.

The Advocacy WG will operate as a shared collaborative WG of the three societies: EAP, ECPCP and ISSOP. The liaison member for ISSOP in the WG will be Luis Martin.

The WG established a Google Group to make possible working on line between meetings.

An initial draft of 10 possible areas for work was agreed after discussion in the Google Group.

The 10 areas are presented and after deliberation two projects are approved for future work :

--Write a recommendation signed by the three societies stressing the importance of Advocacy issues in the training of paediatricians in Europe. A draft will be presented to the three societies and discussed in the next EAP meeting.

--Identification of Health Inequalities in paediatric care in Europe focusing on migrant children. For this project a survey of the situation in European countries is proposed. The WG will prepare a questionnaire to be answered by members of the three societies. Using EAPRAS net is a possibility.

Regarding Accident Prevention, it was proposed by Alfred Tenore in the 2012 EAP Brussels Meeting that the Advocacy WG also would join with Accident Prevention. Angel Carrasco proposes that EAP establishes strong ties with European Child Safety Alliance (EUROSAFE) that is doing an excellent work for Accident Prevention. The WG will center on Advocacy.

Other issues

Francis Rubel, notifies the plan of the French Ministry of Health to change the primary care of children from paediatricians to general practitioners. An statement is drafted by Shimon Barak to be presented and approved by EAP General Assembly, and then sent by EAP Executive to the French Minister of Health.

Coordinator: Angel Carrasco (Spain)

Present :

Peter Altorjai (Hungary)

Ines Azevedo (Portugal)

Shimon Barak (Israel)

Armand Biver (Luxembourg)

Adamos Hadjipanayis (Cyprus)

Elke Jaeger-Roman (Germany)

Isabel Leiva (Spain)

Raisa Loumanaa (Finland)

Artur Mazur (Poland)

Ana Neves (Portugal)

Michael O'Neill (Ireland)

Francis Rubel (France)

Alfred Tenore (Italy)

Emin Unuvar (Turkey)

Björn Wettergren (Sweden)

Martin White (Ireland)

