



Report to the Board

- 1. Committee/Council/SIG/Chapter:** Latin America Chapter
- 2. Period of report:** January 2018 to September 2018
- 3. Officers: Chair**____Rene Soria-Saucedo **Vice/Co-Chair:**_____
- 4. Committee Members (attach list):**
- 5. Actions**

a. Completed since last Board meeting

- New Chair election: Four members were able to be present at the meeting. Veronika Wirtz, Andrea Margulis, Marcela Jirón, and Matias Martinez. Because of this, the chapter decided to held the election electronically in a future date. We will use the experience of the special interest groups (SIP). They utilize this methodology regularly to elect their authorities. An email is sent seeking for potential candidates for the chair position, following the criteria defined earlier.

b. In progress/pending

- Upcoming webinars
 - Unfortunately, ISPE was not able to host web seminars. Because of this, we are proposing two web seminar:
 - Data visualization (II) – Rene Soria Saucedo
 - Risk minimization – Ariel Arias

Once the platform is again running, Veronica Wirtz will schedule the two webinars at the ISPE Education committee, and Marcela will coordinate with the risk minimization presenter.

c. Planned for future

- Databases repository: Two years ago, a couple of authors presented a review of all the available databases in the Latin American region. Using this study as start, we aim to create a large repository of current databases, which are available for the members to use. Marcela will reach on of the authors (full text, not the abstract) to confirm and update all the database sources.

- A three-day course about Drug Utilization Research (DUR) and active Pharmacovigilance is being organized. This initiative aims to improve knowledge on DUR, to facilitate the identification of local resources that can be used for DUR, enhance network development and south-south cooperation, and promote data collection capacity in the region. We expect 25 participants. The course would be held in Peru. Yesenia, one of the most active members, will be in charge of logistics
- Regulatory agencies meeting: This meeting will be held in October. We consider this a good opportunity to share information about pharmacoepidemiology, and potential collaboration in educational efforts with interested members of the region. Veronica will reach out Claudia Vacca, to identify educational opportunities, and share them at the event

6. Questions/Issues/Recommendations for Board consideration

None.

7. Date Submitted: September 3, 2018