



REGIONAL DIRECTOR REPORT

November 2019

Name of the Region: South East Asia

Name of the Regional Director: Oknam Kim

IFHIMA member countries in this region: 2
India and Indonesia

Number of Associate Members in this region:

Number of Corporate Members in this region: 0

Number of Educational Institution Members in this region: 0

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS & ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE REGION 2016-2019:

1. Summary of Activities e.g. National/Regional Conferences

- 18th IFHIMA International Congress Speech : Sabu K.M.(India) "A paradigm shift in Health Information Management Education and Profession: Challenges for India". 2016.10.
- The Indonesian Higher Education for Health Information Management conducted the IST International Scientific and National Member Meeting on Health Information Management in Yogyakarta Indonesia from May 27-30 2016. The theme of the meeting was "Improving Health Information Quality through Health Information Professions".
- HIMA India Annual Convention Oct. 27-28, 2017, Pondicherry, India.
- India celebrated Golden Jubilee (50 years) of Medical Record Education and Execution during the JIPMER HIMA ASIA Conference-2017
- Correspondence with regional members about educational system and curriculum: Dr. Hosizah Markam (Head of Health Information Management Department, Esa Unggul University, West Jakarta, Indonesia) 2019.7.3.-7.

- Participation at ISO TC215 (Health Informatics) meeting on 4-8th Nov. 2019, in Daegu, Korea. WG3 (Semantic Content) had discussed and reviewed Semantic Contents which is related to Terminological Resources(e.g. SNOMED, Local code systems), Data Specification(metadata), Data Information(knowledges and representation) for International Standard Framework of Health Terminology. And sharing information about research and development of standard health terminology.

2. Achievements

- 2018 : Completion of IFHMA's Education Module, Chapter 8. "Healthcare Statistics"
- 2019 : Participated in the establishment of the "Privacy of Health Information, an IFHIMA Global Perspective". Introducing "ISO TR 18638" as a Korean case study. ISO TR 18638 Guidance on Health Information Privacy Education in Health Care Organization which was developed based on Korean educational experience.

3. Input to IFHIMA's Strategic Initiatives (Advocacy, Knowledge Domain & Membership)

- Participated in the organizing a new research committee of IFHIMA, and participated in the drafting of the Regulation of the Research Committee.
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LOOKING FORWARD TO 2019 - 2022

1. Key Priorities

- Raise the profile and promote national membership of IFHIMA in collaboration with Regional Members.
- More effective and valuable health information construction which is used for healthcare, research, public health and statistics

2. Challenges

The classification and coding of healthcare information, which has been the main task of HIM, has been mostly quantified and standardized, and it is predicted that AI will be in charge of this task in the near future. So, I believe that HIM's work should focus more on effective and smooth communication with other health professionals and patients than traditional coding work.

Future HIM tasks should shift their importance to the collection, analysis and delivery of information for accurate and smooth communication between healthcare professionals and consumers.

In this respect, the establishment of the research committee planned by IFHIMA is important. When the research committee is established in term of 2019-2022, we plan to publicize regional members to actively participate in the committee's activities and to serve for international cooperation.

- Build a good working relationship with the research committee
- HIM Professionals should pay attention to research with health information and development of health information standards.