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Dr. Arlen Meyers, IBMS Medical Advisory Board member, continues to enhance global networking with **CareConnectix** (www.careconnectix.com), a global healthcare social network giving patients information and connections needed to obtain quality care at an affordable price. CareConnectix's healthcare focused social networking site brings together patients and caregivers from all across the world and is focused on building a trusted physician network and helping physicians to form a global referral network.



Dr. Lily Porncharoen, DDS, Prosthodontist, Thailand

FROM THE DESK OF DR. KALIN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



**Dear Listees, Affiliated and
Certified Members of IBMS,**

With the increased penetration of the **International Board of Medicine and Surgery (IBMS)** in global healthcare marketplace more and more individuals not only view the internet site of **IBMS** but also call to verify credentials and seek additional confidence in deciding to seek medical care abroad. Many have already done a great deal of research into their quest,

dentist@bangkokdentalspa.com, recently accepted a position on the **IBMS Medical Advisory Board**. The **Bangkok Dental Spa** is an internationally recognized leader in the dental industry in **Asia**, especially in the field of dental cosmetic and implant surgery and has earned a world-wide reputation for skilled patient care through an integration of state-of-the-art dentistry with calming therapies of a luxury spa.

Nan Li, MD PhD, of Shanghai, China nli_zum@yahoo.com.cn, also is a recent addition to the **IBMS Medical Advisory Board**, has published a paper about post-care management of medical tour patients in **Heart Journal** and will be meeting this month (*if all goes well*) with **Bill Sefeker, IBMS liaison to China**.

IBMS is discussing the value of adopting standards of the **International Board of Medicine and Surgery** with **Dr. Jorge Cortes, IBMS Medical Advisory Board member in Costa Rica**, a leader with **PROMED, the Council for the International Promotion of Costa Rica Medicine**, a non-profit organization coordinating efforts to assure the quality in the health industry of **Costa Rica** by developing regulatory norms.

David G. Vequist IV, Ph.D., Founder/Director, Center for Medical Tourism Research, IBMS Medical Advisory Board member, is not only working with **IBMS** to research multiple aspects of medical tourism, but has been facilitating the network of accreditation services globally through his discussions with **Meletis Tzaferis of Greece** with the **TEMPOS** medical tourism accreditation model.

Dr. Manual Lazo, Director of Hospital Mexico and an IBMS Medical Advisory Board member, is preparing to seek certification of physicians affiliated with this hospital.

Dr. Araujo MD, hematologist, practicing in the **USA** and as a volunteer in **El Salvador**, also an **IBMS Medical Advisory Board member**, is presently responsible for the development of a new hospital in **El Salvador**, which is seeking **IBMS** hospital certification as well as **IBMS** certification of local physicians.

and yet they still seek *additional confidence in formulating an informed decision*.

Dr. Prem Jagyasi, an IBMS Medical Advisory Board member, has just released a digital medical tourism guidebook, presently available at Prem@Jagyasi.com and www.DrPrem.com.

This comprehensive medical tourism guidebook by a leader in the development of this industry sheds a global perspective on the medical tourism industry and what one needs to do and expect from such an experience. **Dr. Jagyasi** discusses all facets from finding a doctor, traveling, facilitators, accreditation, and focuses on specific countries and their medical tourism programs-*another effort in helping the individual make an informed decision*.

In the meantime, the medical tourism industry is working diligently to upgrade standards of facilitators who lead the potential patient to a specialized healthcare service. The **Medical Tourism Association (MTA)** under the guidance of **Renee Stephano, Esquire and President**, has developed a facilitator certification program, and additional certifying companies are working to train medical

Dr. Roger Mason, MD, vascular surgeon, IBMS Medical Advisory Board member, is actively pursuing the development of a hospital/clinic in the **Caribbean**.

Dr. Vijay Sharma, MD, plastic surgeon, India, is working closely with **IBMS** to develop an extensive credentialing platform in **India** and has indicated a desire to promote medical tourism in **India** through a medical tourism conference in **Tampa Bay, Florida USA**.

Dr. Talavane Krishna, MD, talavane@gmail.com ayurindus.com, **Indus Valley Ayurvedic Centre Pvt Ltd Indus Valley Ayurvedic Centre (IVAC)** is constructively engaged in the revival of an affordable, reliable and proven Ayurvedic healthcare system. Through scholarly research and study, IVAC seeks to improve our understanding of the disease process, the role played by modern lifestyles in producing stress and anxiety and how to deal with them. **Dr. Krishna** has agreed to consult with the **IBMS Medical Advisory Board**.

IBMS Affiliated Healthcare Travel Associate Activity

Raj Joseph of Medvoy, an **IBMS Affiliated Healthcare Travel Associate**, is establishing relations with **Geoffrey Horner**, **IBMS Director of Corporate Development and Contracting** barbarianjeff@gmail.com, to facilitate coordination not only of medical tourism destinations, but also the networking of medical providers with the goal of enhancing their visibility and credibility globally and providing more confidence in the potential patient's ability to make informed decisions.

Christina deMoraes, MedNet, Costa Rica, Brazil, info@mednetcostarica.com, an **IBMS Affiliated Healthcare Associate**, has expressed interest in developing a training program in **Costa Rica** to augment the standards of care, especially in the post-operative recovery phase. She will be discussing this issue with **Dr. Jorge Cortes** and has been networked with **Dr. Huffman, DO, IBMS Medical Advisory Board member** www.americanbariatricconsultants.com drkduffman@earthlink.net, who helps bariatric surgeons and hospitals integrate comprehensive obesity care plans into their surgical

tourism and travel company representatives in the specifics of facilitating not just a travel experience, but a unique accommodation to the health and well-being of the individual, especially one requiring post-operative care in a culturally different setting.

In the end, the goal is patient satisfaction with the intimate union created in this effort to develop global initiatives in the patient/doctor relationship, hopefully achieving the goal of "better health", more productivity, overcoming physical/mental impairments, and finding unique solutions to one's personal desire to actualize oneself.

For more comments, check out the **IBMS Blog** www.ibms.us/blog.

For more up-to-date news from **IBMS** check out www.twitter.com/IBMSMedTourism

IBMS Initiatives

Scott Schneider, IBMS Executive Director of Communications and Social Media, within the last 3 months has increased the global exposure of **IBMS** on the internet by a factor of **ten**. **Scott** looks forward to engaging his unsurpassed

centers including preop, postop and nonoperative weight management services. This program reduces risk, improves outcomes. www.ibarihealth.com provides home based preop, postop and nonoperative bariatric services to the traveling patients networking with their own physicians, thus developing a network of referring physicians for the bariatric surgical center.

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Angelo Rebelo, MD, plastic surgeon, Portugal angelorebelo@netcabo.pt, has also recently become certified by the **International Board of Medicine and surgery**. **Dr. Rebelo** is the **Director** of the **Clinica Milénio** a **Private Clinic of Cosmetic Surgery and Aesthetic Medicine**

combination of *Social Media, Business Development, Networking, Software Development and Journalism* skills to rapidly build **IBMS** into a dynamic, robust Web community - a **Preferred Portal for Patients, Providers and Affiliated Services of Medical Tourism**.

IBMS has also taken on a responsibility for the **State of Florida** to certify a group of **Other Medical Professionals**, those in the area of **permanent makeup** and **tattooing**. A **3** hour online biohazard course has been developed along with a comprehensive test required beginning **2012** for **Florida** state licensure.

- **Dr. Kalin** met with **Renee Stephano, Esquire** and **President** of the **Medical Tourism Association**, and they have tentatively agreed to develop synergistic efforts on behalf of raising standards of medical facilitators with an opportunity to be listed on the **IBMS Professional Online Registry** as **MTA certified IBMS Affiliated Healthcare Associates** with the united goal of creating more transparency and enabling the public to have an even more secure feeling in making the decision to seek medical care abroad.

- During the last two months,

and is recognized world-wide. Courses, workshops, teaching in cosmetic surgery and medicine are performed in cooperation and with certification of **Universidade Lusófona**.

Soo Kwan Chae, Phd, MD South Korea drchaesk@gmail.com recently certified with **IBMS** and is a member of the **International Academy of Cosmetic Surgery**, graduated **College of Medicine, Seoul National University**, and practices **FAMILY PRACTICE, AESTHETICS, OBESITY, GERIATRICS**.

Tatun Kumar, MD, Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, Division of Pediatric Surgery, SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri, USA (tkumar@slu.edu) received **IBMS RUBY** certification with submission of application, payment, notarization of documentation mailed to **IBMS** and/or 3rd party verification, professional contribution in form of publication in professional journal, professorship and/or other distinguishing professional accomplishment, documentation of financial indemnification should a complication occur upon the patient's return to home country, **minimum 5 year record of specialization, and professional recognition of distinguished contribution**.

Jeff Morgan, MD, orthopedic surgeon, United States drieffmorgan7@yahoo.com, recently became **IBMS** certified and wishes to provide orthopedic knowledge and surgical skills toward the betterment of global musculoskeletal health via medical tourism and by actively participating in international projects and events.

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IBMS has been represented in the **Bahamas** with various officials and recently had exposure in **Dubai** making connections throughout the **Middle East**.

Patrick Osio of the **California Medical Tourism Association (BCMTA)**, a **California** non-profit association organized to advocate and promote medical services in the **State of Baja California** sees solid areas of opportunities with **IBMS** and looks forward to dedicated work in establishing a solid relationship leading to accomplishing objectives and providing mutual benefit.

Nitesh Jain, IBMS Director of Computer Affairs, is now taking on the responsibility of developing the three contracted commercial independent global healthcare travel sites www.healthtravelservices.com, www.medivacation.com, and www.emedivacation.com which have the purpose of promoting **IBMS** affiliated and certified members.

Ivaylo Gueorguiev **IBMS Regional Recruiting Director for Eastern Europe**, is working to coordinate activities of the **International Board of Medicine and Surgery** with medical providers and medical tourism/travel companies in

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Healthcare Travel Associates (medical tourism/travel companies),
Medical Industry Professionals, and
Professional Associations within the Global
Healthcare Community
are eligible for affiliation with IBMS.**

Eastern Europe.

Natalia Jimenez, IBMS Recruiter for Colombia is working to coordinate activities of the **International Board of Medicine and Surgery** with medical providers and medical tourism/travel companies in **Colombia** and adjacent countries.

- **IBMS** is also grateful for the services of **Doris Murdoch**, who has helped **IBMS** establish a depth of presence in the global medical marketplace.

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With standards and a pledge to abide by professional medical ethics, we look to expand the legitimacy of the physicians in the international global healthcare community.

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