

SEAMO GOVERNING COMMITTEE CREATES TASK GROUP ON OPERATIONALIZING PRINCIPLES

In March, the SEAMO Governing Committee approved the *Principles to Guide SEAMO* (http://www.seamo.ca/policies_05/functions/deliverables/principles_to_guide_seamo). At its regular meeting on April 01, the SEAMO Governing Committee created an ad hoc task group on operationalizing principles. The approved principles will serve as a foundation for the creation of the framework and set of rules that will govern the allocation of resources to departments.

The Task Group on Operationalizing Principles is a sub-committee of the SEAMO Resources Committee. It will comprise nine members appointed on the recommendation of the Clinical Teachers' Association Executive. The policy describing the creation of the Task Group (Policy 5-08) can be found on the SEAMO website: http://www.seamo.ca/policies_05/functions)

Members of the Task Group include:

Andrew Hamilton
Susan Haley
Christopher Simpson
Martin ten Hove
Robert Connelly
Graeme Smith
Michael O'Connor
William Paterson
Leslie Flynn

An independent Chair will be named shortly.

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DEPARTMENTAL DELIVERABLES

At its meeting of April 01, the SEAMO Governing Committee approved in principle, reports of the Advisory Committee on Departmental Deliverables, submitted in 2007 September, 2008 February and 2008 March. Approval in principle covered sixteen recommendations addressing accountability in clinical service, post graduate medical education, research, information to support accountability and modeling the Advisory Committee's framework. Six recommendations on undergraduate medical education accountability had previously been approved by the Governing Committee.

With approval in principle by the Governing Committee, the reports of the Advisory Committee on Departmental Deliverables and the recommendations will be provided to the newly created Task Group on Operationalizing SEAMO's Principles. These recommendations should assist the Task Group in recommending a policy framework for the allocation of funds for departments.

A summary of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Departmental Deliverable will be posted on the SEAMO website shortly.

STAFFING UPDATE

In the Department of **Medicine**, Dr. Aman Hussein commenced March 15 as a new GFT. This is a new "blended position" in the division of **Nephrology**, using both departmental resources and fee-for-service.

In the Department of **Psychiatry**, Dr. Joseph Burley commenced on March 17 as a replacement GFT.