

# BULLETIN FROM THE TEACHING AND LEARNING TWG

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Greetings from the team of the Teaching and Learning TWG!

We hope that this update finds you all doing well and enjoying the beginnings of a holiday season for many parts of

the world as well as the wrap up of a semester for many of those in academia! We have number of initiatives in progress, and a number of important and exciting ideas and activities coming up that we hope you will provide input for and participate in!

There is a great deal of interesting and important work to build on, and some exciting new directions to take!

## What's coming up next?

- **Liverpool 2018 Planning:** We are now actively planning—among the TWG leadership team as well as with direct input from the Regional Champions and Strategy Group. We will be hosting a series of webinars to discuss and develop potential topics of interest to TWG members based on discussions in Vancouver as well as areas of interest and activity from recent months.
- **Fundraising:** While the TWG has a small amount of general operating funds to cover some coordination functions and augment Regional Champion activities, we do not currently have funds for specific projects and to support conferencing activities. We are seeking funding to support some of these plans and activities, both through the collaboration among Regional Champions as well as through HSG as a whole.

## Recent TWG Activities:

- ◆ We recently held a webinar for HSG members and also presented on a panel at the European Public Health Association (EUPHA) conference on the ongoing process of mapping and building consensus around a set of core HPSR competencies.
- ◆ We have re-started a dialogue among a sub-set of interested TWG members on moving forward an activity related to educational research (an area of interest identified at the Vancouver Symposium in 2016).
- ◆ The preparations for the Liverpool Symposium next year have now begun in earnest! We discussed ideas and opportunities with the TWG's team of regional champions on November 21, 2017 and we welcome feedback as we plan for a 90-minute organized session, a satellite "clinic," and other TWG activities leading up to and during the upcoming symposium.
- ◆ The TWG's Regional Champions, our Strategy Group, and the current team of Co-chairs and Coordinator have now been in working together for several months. All are actively contributing to the direction and effectiveness of the TWG. We are grateful for the diversity of inputs, opportunities, and collaborations that are developing and evolving among these group structures.

## Ways you can get involved:

1. **Training Database:** We are continually gathering information on global teaching and learning opportunities for HPSR to add to the training database ([courses.healthsystemsglobal.org](http://courses.healthsystemsglobal.org)). If you are aware of new training programs, or of others that are not yet well-known and that we may not have captured, please upload them directly onto the website under the "Suggest a Course" tab. Please send any questions or feedback to: [hpsrmapping@gmail.com](mailto:hpsrmapping@gmail.com). Thanks!
2. **Webinar Presentation:** Would you like to present your experience and ideas on teaching and learning in HPSR in an upcoming webinar? We are planning for our first in a series of webinars to explore and discuss topics that could be the focus of the TWG's sessions at the Liverpool Symposium next year. Our first will take place in November 2017 and will focus on blended learning models for HPSR. We'd love to have you present, if you have experience and interest in this topic!
3. **HSG blog posts:** The HSG blog accepts posts by TWG members, and we would like to see some posts coming out in the coming months. What ideas do you have? What about teaching and learning HPSR have you been thinking or debating about recently that might be of interest more broadly in the TWG and HSG as a whole?
4. **Regional Activities:** We are inviting HPSR educators, practitioners and researchers particularly in Latin America, China and the Middle East who are interested in building a regional network to contact us. Get in touch with your Regional Champion(s) (email [hpsrmapping@gmail.com](mailto:hpsrmapping@gmail.com)) if you don't know who they are! They will likely have some ideas and ongoing activities where they would love to have your help!
5. **Translation into language other than English:** Language is a significant barrier to participation in some of our regions. Beginning with a focus on French and Spanish, we would like to work on translating core TWG communications and also some of the content on the HPSR database. If you can help with either of these languages, please let us

If you would like to get involved, we would like to hear from you. Please do not hesitate to contact any of the group co-chairs.



TWG co-chair



TWG coordinator



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