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INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR HUMANITARIAN MEDICINE CHISHOLM-GUNN | IAHM

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BACKGROUND AND MISSION

The International Association for Humanitarian Medicine Chisholm-Gunn (IAHM) is an NGO formed in 1984 in memory of Dr Brock Chisholm, a founding member of the World Health Organization and its first Director-General. The association is inspired by the declaration of right to health for every human being, and it is committed to providing health to all peoples, along with social justice, peace and human dignity. The association is non-political, non-sectarian, non-discriminatory and non-profit-making.

AREAS OF INTEREST

- health education
- training of sanitary and parasanitary personnel
- emergency health assistance
- specialized health assistance in disasters and emergencies
- specialized hospital care
- health and human rights
- global health diplomacy

HEALTH-RELATED ACTIVITIES

Human rights and 'Health for all' govern the Association's activities. IAHM is mainly active in the management of patients coming from developing countries who need highly specialised treatment that cannot be provided in hospitals in their home country. IAHM offers doctors, nurses and health sector technicians in developing countries the opportunity to attend professional training courses in university and hospital facilities in industrialised countries. It also sets up specialised teams in order to provide medical and surgical assistance, and to hold technical and professional training courses. IAHM also collaborates with various authorities and professional organisations in industrialised countries in creating specialised sections in leading

hospitals dedicated to the hospitalisation and medical, surgical, and rehabilitative treatment of patients from developing countries.

GOVERNANCE AND STAFF

The president of the board of IAHM is Dr S. William A. Gunn.

PUBLICATIONS

Dictionary of Disaster Medicine and Humanitarian Relief (2nd edition), and its Chinese edition, together with IAHM's total work was awarded the 2014 A. Menegheti International Prize for Science and Humanism.

For all IAHM publications, see: http://www.iahm.org/eng/home_pubblicazioni.htm

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