

**52nd Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Health Research (ACHR) and
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Agenda

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**52ND SESSION OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH RESEARCH (ACHR) OF THE WORLD
HEALTH ORGANIZATION**

AND

**43RD SESSION OF THE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH RESEARCH OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION
(CAIS)**

Panama City, Panama, 11 – 14 November 2009

Venue: Hotel Country Inn & Suite Panama Canal Amador

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Wednesday, 11 November, 2009. Begins at 9:00 in the morning.

Beginning at 9:00 am, participants to the ACHR/CAIS are invited to a scientific symposium to commemorate the first 50 years of ACHR followed by a reception and inauguration of the ACHR in the evening. There is a separate agenda for the symposium.

18:00-19:00

Opening Session

Welcoming remarks by the Panamanian Health and Research authorities

Remarks from the ACHR Chair, **Professor Judith Whitworth**, and
Dr. Tim Evans, Assistant Director-General for Information,
Evidence and Research, (ADG/IER), WHO

Remarks from the President of the Regional Advisory Committee on
Health Research (CAIS)

Dr. John Lavis

Remarks from the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau
(Regional Office of the Americas of WHO)

Dr. Mirta Roses Periago

Brief introduction of new members, members, and participants

Chair ACHR, **Professor Judith Whitworth**
and Chair CAIS, **Dr. John Lavis**

Logistics and structure of the meeting, and house announcements

Chair CAIS, **Dr. John Lavis** and Secretary CAIS,
Dr. Luis Gabriel Cuervo

19:00-19:10

Brief presentation and acknowledgement of the *History of research at
WHO* undertaken by Dr Pierre Mansourian

Mr. Robert Terry, WHO Strategy on Research for Health, WHO

19:10-21:00

Reception hosted by the Regional Director, PAHO
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Thursday, 12 November, 2009

- 08:30-08:40** Adoption of the agenda, appointment of Rapporteur and acceptance of the Report from the 51st Session of ACHR, March 16-18, 2009
Chair ACHR, **Professor Judith Whitworth**
- 08:40-08:50** Highlights of progress on main recommendations from ACHR
Dr. Tikki Pang, Director, Research Policy & Cooperation (RPC), WHO.
- 08:50-08:55** Highlights of progress on main recommendations from 42nd CAIS
Dr. Luis Gabriel Cuervo, Secretary, CAIS
- 08:55-09:15** Comments and discussion
Chair ACHR, **Professor Judith Whitworth**
and Chair CAIS, **Dr. John Lavis**
- 09:15-09:25** Status of the draft WHO Strategy on Research for Health and PAHO Policy on Research for Health
Mr. Robert Terry and **Dr. Luis Gabriel Cuervo**
- 09:25-09:30** Reminder of the structure of the meeting
Chair ACHR. **Professor Judith Whitworth**
- 09:30-09:40** Comments and discussion
Chair ACHR, **Professor Judith Whitworth**
and Chair CAIS, **Dr. John Lavis**
- 09:40-10:00** *Health break*
- 10:00-12:15** **Priorities:** research that addresses priorities (WHO)/relevant, ethical and high quality research; research governance (PAHO): challenges and opportunities
- Overview of the development of WHO's Strategy on Research for Health and the status of regional research Policies (10 min)
Mr. Robert Terry, WHO Strategy on Research for Health, WHO
- The relationship between PAHO's Policy on Research for Health; WHO's Strategy on Research for Health; and the Global Strategy and Plan of Action on Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property Rights(GSPA).
- Dr. Norka Ruiz-Bravo**, Advisor, Resource Mobilization for

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Research Policy, PAHO (10 min)

- **Discussion leader: Dr. Moises Goldbaum.**
- **Moderator: Dr. Ana Langer**

- Highlights of ongoing activities, outputs, and available measures of outcomes and impact from the global (WHO) and regional (PAHO) perspectives (10 min)
- Comments and discussion (90 min)
- Summary of discussion (15 min)

12:15-13:45

Lunch

13:45-15:50

Capacity: strengthening NHRS (WHO)/Strengthen human resources research skills (PAHO): Challenges and Opportunities

First Global Symposium on Health Systems Research.

Dr. Tim Evans, ADG/IER

- **Discussion leader: Dr. Ernesto Medina**

- Highlights of ongoing activities, outputs, and available measures of outcomes and impact from the global (WHO) and regional (PAHO) perspectives (10 min)
- Comments and discussion (100 min)
- Summary of discussion (15 min)

15:50-16:05

Health break

16:05-17:40

Standards: good practices, norms and standards (WHO)/best practices and enhanced standards (PAHO)

- **Discussion leaders: Dr. Trudo Lemmens and Dr. Lisa Bero**

- Highlights of ongoing activities, outputs, and available measures of outcomes and impact from the global (WHO) and regional (PAHO) perspectives (10 min)
- Comments and discussion (70 min)
- Summary of discussion (15 min)

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Friday, 13 November, 2009

- 08:30-10:20** **Knowledge Translation:** linking policy, practice and product of research (WHO)/dissemination and utilization of research findings (PAHO)
- **Discussion leaders: Dr. Fernando de la Hoz and Dr. Martin McKee**
- Highlights of ongoing activities, outputs, and available measures of outcomes and impact from the global (WHO) and regional (PAHO) perspectives (10 min)
 - Comments and discussion (80 min)
 - Summary of discussion (15 min)
- 10:20-10:40** *Health break*
- 10:40-12:30** **Organization and implementation:** strengthen research governance in the Organization (WHO)/Research Governance (PAHO): Challenges and Opportunities
- **Discussion leader: Dr. Zulma Ortiz**
- **Moderator: Dr. Izzy Gerstenbluth**
- Highlights of ongoing activities, outputs, and available measures of outcomes and impact from the global (WHO) and regional (PAHO) perspectives (10 min)
 - Comments and discussion (80 min)
 - Summary of discussion (15 min)
- 12:30-14:00** *Lunch break*
- 14:00-15:40** Subcommittees:
a) Status and Issues
b) Work plans for 2009
c) Preliminary summary and discussion of future actions.
- 15:40-16:00** *Health Break*
- 16:00-16:35** Financial flows for research for health and funding for research strategies
Professor Stephen Matlin, Global Forum for Health Research
- 16:35-17:15** Introduction to the Planning of the World Health Report 2012
Dr. Tikki Pang, Director, RPC, WHO.
- 18:00** Reception hosted by **Ministry of Health at the Presidential House**

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Saturday, 14 November, 2009

- 08:30-10:00** Planning the World Health Report 2012
Dr. Tikki Pang, Director, RPC, WHO.
- 10:00-10:30** *Health Break*
- 10:30-10:50** Date and place of next meeting of ACHR and PAHO ACHR and
Any other business
- 10:50- 12:00** Presentation of the conclusions for the Regional ACHR for review and
approval
Dr. John Lavis and Dr. Mirta Roses Periago

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