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Training:

Training in Health Research for Policy, Action and Practice

The Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research in Collaboration with the Council on Health Research for Development, Global Forum for Health Research and INCLEN Trust have just published new training modules to support strategies aiming to increase the impact of health research on policy, programmes and practice. ([Read more](#))

Paper:

The Universal Coverage Policy of Thailand An Introduction

Health expenditure in Thailand has dramatically increased since 1980 from 3.82% of GDP to 6.21% in 1998. During this period the health expenditure per capita increased from 544.90 Baht in 1980 to 4662.83 Baht in 1998 (Thailand Health Profile 1997-1998). In the mean time, about 20 million or about 30% of the total 60 million Thai population remain uninsured. What should these people do when they are confronted with high cost care for their illness? ([Read more](#))

International Seminar:

Social Health Insurance Development and Implementation in Asian Countries

16-25 October 2000, at the Baan Phu Waan Pastoral Training Center in Nakhonpathon, Thailand. The seminar will be organized with the co-operation of GTZ/DSE, HSRI of Thailand. ([Read more](#))

International Conference:

Evidence-based Practice: Towards Evidence-based Policymaking in Health Sector Development

4-6 September 2000, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Organized by Malaysian Ministry of Health in collaboration with WHO ([Read more](#))

International conference: Health systems financing in low income African and Asian countries

23-24 November 2000 at the Centre for Studies and Research in International Development (CERDI-University of Auvergne) France ([Read more](#))

International conference: "Health sector reform: equity, efficiency, sustainability?"

4-6 July 2000, Dhaka, Bangladesh, Joint International Conference, : APHEN (Asia-Pacific Health Economics Network) Forum 2000 and 5th Annual Conference of the Bangladesh Health Economics Unit (HEU) ([Read more](#))

China: Harbin Health Economy Online Newsletter

The HARBIN HEALTH ECONOMY ONLINE aims to facilitate interaction between people actively involved in the field of health economics, and health account in developing countries, allow wider exchange and dissemination of information about the research in which we are involved. We look forward to receiving your newsletter or other information by email. ([Read more](#))

Sri Lanka: News on the Asia Pacific National Health Accounts Network

CONTENTS: 1) New member - Kyrgyzstan; 2) Request for assistance - India District Health Accounts; 3) Request for assistance in preparing TOR for NHA (Malaysia); 4) Discussion paper - Adequacy of public health definitions in OECD framework; 5) Newsletter from Harbin NHA group; 6) Update to AP NHA members listing ([Read more](#))

Informal APHEN meeting at iHEA Conference, Rotterdam, 1999

APHEN members who attended the second iHEA Conference in Rotterdam, July 1999, held an informal meeting to plan for the 2nd APHEN Forum in the year 2000. ([Read more](#))

Professor Somkid Kaewsonthi awarded for outstanding scholarship

This year Chulalongkorn University Council bestowed the award of Emeritus Professor of the Faculty of Economics upon Professor Somkid Kaewsonthi for her outstanding scholarship in the field of health economics and her contribution to the development of this speciality in the Faculty. Her work and initiatives have been highly recognized nationally and internationally. [\(Read more\)](#)

Xingzhu Liu from China wins Health Economics Essay Award

Nine contributions from all over Asia were the outcome of the Health Economics Essay Competition for WHO's 50th Anniversary. Mr. Xingzhu Liu from the Shandong Medical University in China was judged as the winner of this competition by an international review panel. He presented his 'Economic Study of Slide Taking Criteria of Malaria Case Detection in Shandong, China', at the first day of the forum, receiving congratulations from the forum participants. [\(Read more\)](#)