

Terms of Reference

ISAM Philosophy and Human Sciences in Addiction Interest Group

Purpose:

The purpose of the group is to increase and improve the capability and capacity of addiction medicine to pursue further human science related research and education.

This group will be composed of individuals working in the field of addiction interested and or specialists in the fields of philosophy, anthropology, psychology, sociology and history.

This will be accomplished through:

- Joint publications to draw a roadmap for international collaborations around the above topics of human sciences
- Founding co-chairs: Professor Georges Brousse, Md, PhD, HdR, Doctor E. Peyron, MD, PhD.
- Agreed consensus around clinically relevant topics such as psychosocial rehabilitation systems, addictive behavior, cultural influences, human rights and values, epistemology
- Mobilizing international funding resources for collaborative research in the field in the global level
- Human sciences informed educational materials in different languages for patients, families, communities and policy makers.

Membership:

- The interest group will consist of two co-chairs and at least 15 active members.
- The co-chairs and more than 50% members must be ISAM members.
- Members will be nominated by the co-chairs
- The co-chairs and interest group members should ideally represent different global regions.

Frequency of Meetings:

The ISAM **Philosophy and Human Sciences in Addiction Interest Group** will meet at least once “in person” coincident with the annual ISAM scientific meeting. Meetings will also be held via telephone (teleconference), skype (or equivalent) or electronic mail (e-mail) as the need arises. Members are asked to commit to participate in an active and productive manner.

Decision Making Process:

This will ideally be conducted through a consensus process. In exceptional circumstances when a consensus is unachievable, decisions will be decided by a majority vote.

Reporting Process:

The ISAM Philosophy and Human Sciences in Addiction Interest Group will regularly report on its activity at the ISAM annual meeting.

Professor Georges Brousse and Doctor E. Peyron

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