



VI Congress Health Committees of the Parliaments of the Americas

“Digital transformation to improve decisions in public health. Parliamentary opportunities and challenges”

Virtual session

Hosts: Social Action and Public Health Committee of the Chamber of Deputies of the Nation and the Health Committee of the Senate of the Nation

National Congress of Argentina

Third seminar: The digital revolution in health and the rights based approach

Date: 4 December, 2020

Time: 11.00 a 14.00 hrs. ARG

Introduction by Dr. Paola Urbina, Lawyer and Doctor of Law, Senate of the Argentine Nation

Opening session

Dr. Enrique Pérez, Acting Representative of PAHO/WHO in Argentina

Dep. Pablo Raúl Yedlin, President of the Social Action and Public Health Committee, Chamber of Deputies of the Argentine Nation

Sen. Mario Raymundo Fiad, President of the Health Committee, Senate of the Argentine Nation



Panels

1st Panel: Open information and the challenges of privacy, cybersecurity, confidentiality and the new challenges for intellectual property rights

Proposal:

Discuss the main legal and regulatory challenges that access to open public information represents, especially on privacy, cybersecurity and data confidentiality. Likewise, the main challenges that digital health represents for intellectual property rights.

Topics to discuss:

- The fundamental elements to consider for the protection of privacy, cybersecurity and the confidentiality of personal data and health information in open sources of information
- Intellectual property and the rights to information and health.

Panel coordinator: Dep. Lourdes Navarro, Member of the Federal Legislative Health Council COFELESA and President of the Health Committee of the Legislature of the Province of Jujuy, Argentine Republic.

Speakers:

- Dr. Eduardo Andres Bertoni, Director of the Agency for Access to Public Information of Argentina.
- Dr. Fernando Gabriel Núñez, National Director of Governance and Integration of Health Systems of the Ministry of Health of the Argentine Nation.

Parliamentary and experts' debate

2nd Panel: Transparency in decision making. Accountability

Proposal



Debate the challenges and opportunities of informed decision-making in public health that is based on evidence and reliable data, as well as its regulatory and legal protection, under the principle of transparency and accountability to citizens.

Topics to discuss:

- Decision-making in public health based on scientific evidence and hard data, reliable and accessible to all.
- The basic elements of intellectual property focused on health (inventions, patents, trademarks, clinical opinions, access to public information, etc.) in an environment of open, transparent information and under the principle of accountability and citizen scrutiny.

Panel coordinator: Dep. Estela Mary Neder, National Deputy for the Province of Santiago del Estero and Secretary of the Social Action and Public Health Committee of the Chamber of Deputies of the Argentine Nation.

Speakers

- Dr. Juan Gustavo Corvalan, Co-Director of the Laboratory of Innovation and Artificial Intelligence of the Faculty of Law of the University of Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- Dr. Martín Hevia, Dean, Faculty of Law, Torcuato Di Tella University of Argentina.

Parliamentary and experts' debate

Final session

Intervention of registered parliamentarians



Declaration

Reading and approval of the declaration of the VI Congress of Health Committees of the Parliaments of the Americas

Closing remarks

Dr. Sebastián García Saisó, Director of the Department of Evidence and Intelligence for Action in Health, PAHO/WHO.

Dep. Pablo Raúl Yedlin, President of the Social Action and Public Health Committee, Honorable Chamber of Deputies of the Argentina.

Sen. Mario Raymundo Fiad, President of the Health Committee, Honorable Senate of Argentina.