03/25/14 - The SBP has completed the translation of the Global Pediatric Core Curriculum developed by Global Pediatric Education Consortium (GPEC) an alliance of 20 national and regional institutions representing more than 50 countries, like China, Japan, USA, Germany, Brazil beyond.

The initiative is part of efforts to enhance the standards and expertise in pediatrics to offer the best available care to a country's population - stresses Eduardo da Silva Vaz, chairman of the SBP.

The Curriculum provides detailed international training and skills necessary for the pediatrician of the century, abilities, skills, essential knowledge in each competency behavior. It describes the objectives for each year and the conditions necessary to achieve them; has mental health as an explicit and mandatory content; adolescence with a significant workload and neonatology; treats chronic diseases compulsorily; deepens the issue of childcare, with emphasis on the influence of the environment on growth and development with a view to adult health. The formulation comprises primary, secondary and tertiary health of the child and adolescent attention.

The translation of the Curriculum into Portuguese was essential to maintain the primary project of the SBP to deploy the new training requirements in pediatrics, which shall be based upon the GPEC Curriculum - says Dioclécio Campos Jr., representative of SBP to the GPEC.

Three-year residency

In Brazil, in the past year a proposal by the SBP was sent to the National Commission of Medical Residency (CNRM) requesting expanded training time from two to three years in order to update content according to new scientific discoveries and changes in epidemiology. In 2014, five services have started to deploy the new 3-year training: USP (University of São Paulo / SP), UNB (University of Brasília / DF); Hospital Pequeno Principe (Curitiba / PR); Servers Hospital (Rio de Janeiro / RJ) and Instituto de Medicina Integral Professor Fernando Figueira (iMIP / Recife / PE). According to CNRM, everyone else should do so by 2016. The SBP will work / is working with the process. The new formation is consistent with the overall GPEC Curriculum and has increased the interest of physicians to enter into pediatrics

In 2014 at the University of São Paulo, some of the applicants for residency training made it explicit during the interview that the new curriculum had an influence on their choice of pediatrics as a field of training. The quality is closely related to those who choose pediatrics and who want to do a good job. We had been having great demand, with about 10% of candidates more than in the previous year. But in 2014, the growth was 30 percent. The same occurred in the Hospital Pequeno Principe (10 were candidates / job and now have 13 / enlargement 30%), in iMIP (went from nine to 12.3 / jobs) and UNB - informs Dr.. Sandra Grisi, Director of Teaching and Research of SBP and Superintendent of the University Hospital of USP.

History

The Society began to participate in GPEC in 2012 when Dr. Dioclécio Campos Junior was present in the Summit meeting in London (England). In May, Societies of Pediatrics Southern Cone gathered in Rio de

Janeiro and decided to adopt the Curriculum developed by the GPEC. In November, Drs. Eduardo and Dioclécio been discussing the issue with colleagues in Cartagena, Colombia.

Last year the meeting was in Florida, Uruguay, where leaders have focused on strategies for implementing the new Curriculum. The matter was discussed also in North Carolina (USA) and in October, in Curitiba (PR), during the 36th Brazilian Congress of Pediatrics, when representatives of Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay, Bolivia and Brazil approved the statute and defined names in the business core of the Permanent Forum Corporation Southern Cone. They are: Angela Gentile (Chairman), Dioclécio Campos Jr. (executive secretary), Margarita Ramonet (Assistant Secretary) and Gustavo Cardigni (treasurer). The headquarters of the Forum will always be where the President resides.

View the proposal for global core curriculum of pediatrics, available in Portuguese on the site GPEC and the SBP (www.globalpediatrics.org).

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