IAAHS Future Projects Subcommittee Report

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Subcommittee Objectives

- **Review and recommend healthcare projects**
  - **Internally-oriented: communications and joint activities of IAAHS members**
  - **Externally-oriented: joint activities with other organizations**
- **Identify the audience for such projects**
- **Act as liaison and coordinator for IAAHS projects**
  - **With the IAAHS membership**
  - **With external entities**
    - **SOA Health Benefit Systems Practice Advancement Committee / Health Section Council**
- **Aid publication and promotion of the results**

What is a Project

- **Activity that**
  - **Is of interest or lacks satisfactory answer**
  - **Require collective and collaborative thinking**
  - **Can be performed and worked on by people in different locations**
  - **Mostly through e-mails, phone & fax communications**
- **Activity that has a strong practical element**

Criteria Affecting Project Selection

- Interest to a large share of the intended audience
- Establish IAAHS leadership
  - Within the IAA
  - Within related organizations
  - Within national boundaries
- May benefit from an international exchange of ideas
- Practicality
- Limited scope in terms of time and effort
- Can be performed remotely

Example of Possible Cooperation

- **Society of Actuaries Health Section**
  - **Suggest cooperative work on their projects**
    - **Healthcare affordability at macro and micro levels**
    - **Healthcare variability**
      - **Access** **Demand**
      - **Delivery** **Pricing**
    - **Healthcare transparency**
    - **More than 40 specific projects**
  - **Applied actuarial research conference**
    - **March 200x in Orlando Florida**
    - **Actuaries, academics and practitioners**
    - **Includes sessions and seminars for health actuaries**
    - **Have funding to sponsor overseas participants**

Possible projects

- **Expected rate of increase in medical costs per person per drug by age**
- **Health database – identification, usage, contents**
- **Insurance products**
  - **Managed care**
  - **Supplemental health**
  - **Income protection**
  - **Voluntary vs. non-voluntary health coverage**
  - **Medical care\Long term care**
  - **Critical illness**
  - **Dental**

Possible Projects – cont.

- **Healthcare financing**
  - **Risk adjustment**
  - **Healthcare financing in developed nations**
  - **Healthcare financing in underdeveloped nations**
  - **Short-term increase in healthcare costs**
  - **Long-term increase in healthcare costs**
  - **Preventive healthcare**
  - **Public-private partnership**
  - **Measuring ROI of healthcare products / activities**
- **Healthcare reinsurance**
- **The role of the healthcare actuary**
- **Interaction with other public safety net coverages**