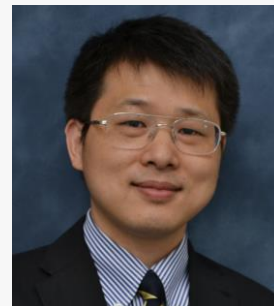


ABOUT CHPAMS: FROM THE CHPAMS PLANNING COMMITTEE CHPAMS Leadership Transition

The CHPAMS Planning Committee held a conference call on April 17th, 2014, 9:30-11PM.

Dr. Zhuo (Adam) Chen, a senior health economist with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, announced his decision to leave the Chair position of the CHPAMS Planning Committee. [Professor Qi \(Harry\) Zhang](#) was nominated and confirmed to serve as the Chair of CHPAMS Planning Committee. Dr. Chen briefly reviewed the success of CHPAMS in the past five years, including the Westlake Forums CHPAMS assisted, the founding and publication of the China Health Review (CHR), the establishment of the CHPAMS Best Papers Award, and the CHPAMS Monthly newsletter. Dr. Chen expressed his gratitude to everyone who have helped CHPAMS and volunteered his/her service to CHPAMS.



Zhuo (Adam) Chen, Ph.D.

Dr. Chen updated the group on the current financial status of CHPAMS and the next round of CMB funding application, as well as CHPAMS projects that will be continued under the new leadership. He introduced Dr. Qi (Harry) Zhang to the meeting participants.



Qi (Harry) Zhang, BA, PhD

Dr. Qi Zhang received his Ph.D. in economics from University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa. He is an Associate Professor with the School of Community and Environmental Health at Old Dominion University (ODU) in Virginia. Before joining ODU, he worked at the University of Chicago as a Senior Health Outcome Researcher. His research focuses on socioeconomic determinants of health.

Dr. Zhang praised the accomplishments of CHPAMS under Adam's efforts and leadership. He looked forward to working with the CHPAMS colleagues in the next two years. Mr. Dong (Roman) Xu, former Director of the China Medical Board Beijing Office, expressed his appreciation of Adam's leadership and efforts for CHPAMS in the past five years and welcomed Dr. Zhang as the new leader of CHPAMS. Dr. Youfa Wang, Professor and Chair of the Department of Epidemiology and Environmental Health at SUNY Buffalo, supported the transition of the leadership and would like to contribute more to CHPAMS.

Dr. Qi (Harry) Zhang summarized topics that had been discussed by the meeting participants.

(1) Organization (registration and applying for 501c3 status); (2) Fund raising (exploring different ways to raise funds for CHPAMS, including possible surveys among members and contacting potential donors); (3) Website (4) CHR (maintaining the regular publications, exploring the PubMed or SCI indexing); (5) Membership drive (recruiting new members or developing a membership database); and (6) Newsletter (maintaining the regular publications and experimenting new ways to attract readers).

Conference call participants include Dr. Zhuo Chen (Senior Health Economist, CDC), Zongshan Duan (Emory University), Yunwei Gai (Associate Professor, Babson College), Dr. Xuesong Han (American Cancer Society), Jing Hao (University of Massachusetts, Amherst), Dr. Zheng Li (Research Chemist, CDC), Lu Shi (Assistant Professor, Clemson University), Yanfang Su (Harvard University), Roman Xu (UW, Seattle), Youfa Wang (Professor, State University of New York at Buffalo), Donglan Zhang (UCLA), Dr. Kun Zhang (CDC), and Qi Zhang (Associate Professor, Old Dominion University).