

# Report of the Health Policy SIG to the System Dynamics Society.

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## ***Council and Officers***

In August 2010 Erik Pruyt took over the job of Health Policy Special Interest Group Representative and Wayne Wakeland the job of VP. Wayne will take over the job of Representative in August 2011. Active members are listed in the XLS sheet in the attachment.

## ***Past Events***

A “***System Dynamics and Health Care Conference***” was organized by Erik Pruyt, Els van Daalen and Etiënne Rouwette on Thursday 2 December 2010 at Delft University of Technology, the Netherlands. HP SIG members were invited as well as potential members of the new Benelux Chapter of the System Dynamics Society. About 85 participants showed up in spite of the extremely bad weather. About half of the audience consisted of HP SIG members, including some well-known members as Jack Homer, Bobby Milstein, Brian Dangerfield, and Radboud Duintjer Tebbens. Several HP SIG members could not make it because European Airports were closed down because of snow blizzards.

In the first parallel session, **Bobby Milstein and Jack Homer** presented and facilitated their ***national health care systems game*** (see <http://www.cdc.gov/healthbound/>). In the second parallel session, guest speakers from academia and consultancy presented some of their Health Care Systems related System Dynamics work.

All of these presentations (except one) were recorded and are now available online at <http://collegerama.tudelft.nl/mediasite/Viewer/?peid=77eac8862bbd4bd390ee78ff15b06c201d>.

The presentations before the break can be accessed [here](#) and the presentations ***after the break*** can be accessed [here](#). After opening each of these links, you can click on the *i* logo (bottom left) to open a pop-up menu that allows you to select an Information or Chapters tab. The Chapters tab allows you to select a particular presentation.

## ***Upcoming Activities and Events***

Several activities and events – such as a HPSIG Health Policy Special Interest Group Roundtable – will be organized at the International System Dynamics Conference in Washington, July 2011.

## ***Other Activities***

The (idle) HP SIG Wiki has been replaced by low-maintenance low-profile web pages at the SD Lab of Delft University of Technology at <http://simulation.tbm.tudelft.nl/HPSIG/Intro.html>.

A workshop on System Dynamics and Health Care was organized at the Dutch RIVM (Rijksinstituut voor Volksgezondheid en Milieu) in order to reintroduce/boost the use of System Dynamics at this prestigious Health Policy institute.

Members have been informed of other conferences and activities, such as the [Third Annual NIH-CDC Institute on Systems Science and Health](#).