The **IASP** offers visiting lectureships and consultancies, an "Adopt-a-Member" program, translation and publication of IASP publications into various languages, and grants to support travel to its World Congresses.

Since its establishment in 1993, the **World Institute of Pain** (WIP) has helped educate, train and provide a global forum for pain physicians around the world, since advances in pain management have been available only to about a quarter of the world's population.

In 2010, the WIP established the WIP Foundation, the mission of which is to enhance world population health and function through education and research in the field of pain medicine. It endeavors to do so by facilitating the teaching of pain medicine techniques throughout the world, with special emphasis on developing and emerging countries. This includes the creation of more local training, examination-based certification programs for pain physicians, an international scholarship fund to attend its meetings, and grants for eligible candidates to visit and learn at pain centers of excellence throughout the world.

In 2010, the **African Society of Regional Anesthesia** was founded to promote education and practice in regional anesthesia on that continent. The World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists has published guidelines pertaining to the management of acute pain in developing countries and has provided educational materials in these areas. Health Volunteers Overseas (HVO) includes pain management in its anesthesia curriculum in many of the countries to which it sends its volunteers.

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