

Report on  
JIPWEN Symposium  
-Assess the effectiveness of IPE-

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Millennium Hall, Gunma University, Maebashi, Japan

**Title:** Assess the effectiveness of IPE  
**Organizers:** Japan Interprofessional Working and Education Network (JIPWEN)  
Gunma University Centre for Research and Training on Interprofessional  
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### **Summary in brief**

The Japan Interprofessional Working and Education Network (JIPWEN) Symposium was organized at Gunma University, Japan on 25 April 2015. Approximately 40 participants including educators, health workers and JIPWEN members learned the role of interprofessional education (IPE) and literature review on IPE. Moreover, prior to the symposium, speakers had a chance to discuss possible collaboration of IPE literature review.

### **Invited lecture “Role of IPE for universal health coverage”**

Professor Shinjiro Nozaki, External Relation Officer of GHWA and Officer in charge of WHO Kobe Centre, gave the lecture entitled “Role of IPE for universal health coverage” (Fig. 1). In the presentation the professor explained the outline of universal health coverage and suggested the possible role of IPE for universal health coverage at the global level.

### **Symposium “Assess the effectiveness of IPE”**

As speakers, Professor Masamine Jimba, Professor Scott Reeves and Mr. Hiroki Matsui were invited. Professor Jimba, the University of Tokyo, had a presentation entitled “Strengthening IPE: more science or more art?” (Fig. 2). Professor Reeves had a presentation entitled “Understanding the impact of IPE” (Fig. 3). Mr. Matsui had a presentation entitled “Literature review on IPE” (Fig. 4). After presentations speakers shared their understanding and ideas on IPE literature review with participants.

### **Discussion meeting on possible collaboration of IPE literature review**

Prior to the symposium, four speakers and Professor Hideomi Watanabe, Director of Centre for Research and Training on IPE, had a meeting to discuss possible collaboration. It was agreed that the speakers keep a close relationship for future possible collaboration of IPE literature

review.

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Fig. 1



Fig. 2



Fig. 3



Fig. 4