# MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT IN HEALTH CARE SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING HELSINKI, FINLAND

#### June 23-26, 1991

The Seventh Annual Meeting of the Society will be held at the Finlandia Hall in Helsinki, Finland, on June 23-26, 1991. The Meeting will focus on a number of areas in health care technology assessment, including:

- technology assessment in a changing climate for health care: Eastern Europe in transition
- technology assessment in 1992: the effects of European integration on the delivery of health care and diffusion of technology
- medical effectiveness/practice guidelines
- the interface between technology assessment and quality assurance
- emphasis on care of the elderly
- assessment of rehabilitative technologies
- evaluation of nursing practice programs
- technology assessment in dentistry

Special emphasis will also be placed on:

- technology assessment in primary health care and ambulatory settings
- assessment of intervention in health promotion and disease prevention

## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Society members and all others interested in health care technology assessment in all its facets are cordially invited to submit abstracts of 250 words or less for papers and posters to be presented at the Seventh Annual Meeting in Helsinki. Submitted papers and posters may be on any subject, including the special subjects listed above. Submissions must use the abstract form, which Society members will receive in their Second Announcement package. Nonmembers may request copies of the form from the address below. Abstracts must be typed, and may not exceed 250 words or 30 lines at  $1\frac{1}{2}$  spaced; they should have margins of at least 2.5 cm (1 inch) on all sides. The full name(s) and degree(s) of the author(s), and a complete mailing address and telephone number for return correspondance must be included at the top of the sheet. Please indicate whether the abstract is for a paper or a poster.

Abstracts, requests for (additional) forms, and requests for information should be directed to:

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## FHP PRIZES The FHP Foundation, in an award to the International Society of Technology Assessment in Health Care, has established two prizes in Health Care Technology Assessment for outstanding articles in the International Journal of Technology Assessment in Health Care. A first prize of \$10,000 and a second prize of \$5,000 will be given each year for the next five years. The first awards will be given at the June 1991 Society meeting for articles accepted or published in 1990. For questions regarding the ISTAHC meeting or the prizes, please write to: Ms Jan Glover Program on Humanities and Technology in Health Care The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston PO Box 20708 Houston, TX 77225 Tel: (713) 792-5140