



People in the photo left to right: Dr. Daniel Truong, President, IAPRD, Mrs. Diana Truong, Prof. Dr. Elena Moro, Dr. Hubert Fernandez, Mrs. Bonnie Singer, Dr. Carlos Singer, Prof. Dr. Erik Wolters

### **IAPRD Educational Event in Cuba**

In March of 2017, a team from the IAPRD organized an educational event in Cuba in collaboration with CIREN (International Center of Neurological Restoration). CIREN is a premier neurological research and clinical care institution in Havana devoted to the restoration and maintenance of best neurological function. IAPRD President Dr. Daniel Truong headed the delegation, and was joined by Drs. Elena Moro, Erik Wolters, Hubert Fernandez and Carlos Singer.

The theme of this 2-day event was “Movement Disorders Update and Botulinum Toxin Workshop”. The first day’s presentations covered cognitive and motor interactions in movement disorders, myoclonus, deep brain stimulation for movement disorders, and the differential diagnosis of tremors. The second day consisted of a live patient botulinum toxin workshop. After the presentations, IAPRD members had a chance to interact with the more than 100 physicians and other healthcare professionals from surrounding neurological services in attendance.

The faculty was hosted by the leadership of the CIREN and was provided with an overview with the center’s mission of maximizing rehabilitation of patients with neurological disease and advancement of scientific knowledge of neuro-rehabilitation. During the botulinum toxin workshop, there was a very lively interaction with the attendees, which included practitioners as well as residents and medical students.

To cap off the event, the IAPRD donated volumes of *Parkinson Disease and Other Movement Disorders*, a textbook edited by Prof. Drs. Erik Wolters and Christian Baumann, to the medical libraries in Cuba. This educational endeavor was positive and well-received, and exemplified the IAPRD’s mission of advancing knowledge of Parkinson’s disease and other movement disorders around the world.