



# **Minutes of WONCA World Council**

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	<p><b>Attendance</b> The President welcomed all Member Organisation (MO) representatives, official observers and unofficial observers to the meeting.</p> <p>The names of delegates and official observers present at the meeting are attached at Appendix 1.</p>
1.1	<p><b>Recognition of Past Presidents of WONCA</b> Professors Chris Van Weel (President 2007-10) and Rich Roberts (President 201-13) were welcomed to the meeting and acknowledged.</p>
1.2	<p><b>Minute of silence for remembrance</b> A minute's silence was observed, to remember all those members who had died in the biennium just past.</p>
1.3	<p><b>Welcome to Member Organizations admitted since last World Council meeting</b> The President warmly welcomed new Member Organisations (MOs) which had joined the WONCA family during the last biennium. These included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• College of Indonesian Primary Care Physicians</li> <li>• Pakistan Society of Family Physicians – upgraded from Associate Member</li> <li>• Society of Family Physicians of Ghana</li> <li>• Public Organization National Association of Family Medicine Workers of Tajikistan</li> </ul>
1.4	<p><b>Certification of voting Council Members</b> The CEO read out the full list of Member Organisations who had confirmed they would be present and noted their voting rights.</p> <p><b>Recognition of official observers</b> The President acknowledged the official observers Dr Evelyn van Weel-Baumgarten (International Association of Communication in Healthcare) Dr Shannon Barkley (WHO)</p>
1.5	<p><b>Apologies for absence of Council members</b> Apologies for absence were received from Croatian Association of Family Medicine and from Professor Michael Kidd (President 2013-16).</p>
1.6	<p><b>Certified proxies for absent Council Members</b> Proxies were received from Member Organizations unable to send representatives to World Council. The full list of proxies is shown in Appendix 1.</p>
1.7	<p><b>Confirmation of voting procedures - CEO</b> The CEO referred to the paddles given to authorised voting attendees, each paddle reflecting the number of eligible votes allocated to the relevant MO. Most votes during Council would be counted based on a show of paddles. If a vote was too close to call by a show of paddles, a paper vote would be issued. Elections would use a confidential paper vote method.</p>
1.8	<p><b>Confirmation of voting tellers and scrutineers</b></p> <p>The CEO referred to the paper votes for Council elections and voting for the 2022 World Conference. A teller from each region had been appointed and they would collect and count the paper votes</p>



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	<p>remain many challenges for family medicine, as outlined in her report.</p> <p>Following the President's address a number of Council attendees raised issues for discussion, including: the lower number of MOs in Africa region and how WHO might be more engaged with existing MOs; the tight schedule for regions because of the move from a three year cycle to a two year cycle for WONCA Councils and Conferences; and thanks were expressed by a number of representatives of YDMs for the encouragement and support offered both by the President and the Secretariat to ensure visibility and a voice for young doctors in each region.</p>
6	<p><b>CEO's report (Paper CP6)</b></p> <p>The CEO in his report also raised the issue of unintended consequences about changing to a two-year cycle. He reported that because of the change in cycle workload has increased significantly and suggested that Council should reflect on the feasibility of the pace of business.</p> <p>The CEO reported on the increased access to and use of the e-update and WONCA News. He reflected that the various social media platforms are being used more by younger doctors. He also reported that 98 new Life Direct Members had joined during the biennium.</p> <p>Coming from a very fragile state of play when he took over six years ago, the CEO reported a much more stable and strengthened financial position currently. He reported to Council that, with cautious budgeting and strict management of WONCA resources, Executive had been able to build a small Reserve Fund which would keep WONCA in business for up to six months should some catastrophic financial situation arise. An allocation has also been made to address the recruitment of a successor CEO, as he will be vacating the post in two years' time. Conference levies supplement WONCA resources but the bulk of income is from membership fees, from MOs, Life Direct Members, Direct Members and Academic Department members.</p> <p>He reported a welcome increase in income through the development of consultancy opportunities for both practice and programme accreditation.</p>
7	<p><b>Report from Task Force on membership levy (Paper CP8)</b></p> <p>The Honorary Treasurer outlined the background to and approach to the task assigned by Council in 2016. A number of options and models were considered and consultations with a selection of MOs was undertaken. He took Council members through the different options considered and reported that, after all options were given due consideration, the consensus was that despite not being perfect, the current approach was the fairest and should remain unchanged.</p> <p>Steve Mowle (RCGP UK Treasurer) commented that balancing the financial books while keeping all Member Organisations happy was a difficult job. He recognized and expressed gratitude for the careful consideration given to the different options and reported that RCGP is very content with both the approach taken by the Task Force and the outcome.</p> <p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.02</b> <b>Council agreed with the conclusion of the Taskforce on membership fee models, that the current membership fee structure should remain unchanged</b></p>
8	<p><b>WONCA Finances (Papers CP7a, b, c, d)</b></p> <p><b>a. Report of the Honorary Treasurer and Chair of WONCA Finance Committee for biennium 2016 – 2018 (Paper CP7a)</b></p> <p>The Honorary Treasurer's main message was that finances are no longer in jeopardy. Thanks to balanced and disciplined budgeting and the work of the CEO and Secretariat, he was happy to report a healthier financial situation.</p> <p>He commented that resources from sponsorship has ceased, that income streams are mainly from MOs, Direct members and licences for ICPC. There was a higher than anticipated income from consultancies, with more planned in the future. The \$200,000 lodged in the Reserve Fund has limited access, with</p>

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circumstances for access clearly specified. The fund established for Secretariat and CEO transition is modest and will cover the costs of advertising, recruitment and selection and a short overlap of CEOs as WONCA approaches the 2020 Council and Conference.

There were a number of comments from the floor: the Secretariat was congratulated for managing the resources without corporate support; a question was asked about the geographical location of the Secretariat in future; and a question was posed about making benefits of membership more tangible, especially for African Colleges.

**b. CEO's report on 2016-2018 biennium accounts – verbal report**

The CEO applauded MOs for declaring more accurate numbers of members, which has resulted in more transparency and more income for WONCA.

**c. Audited accounts of WONCA Trust for year ending December 2016** (Paper CP7c) – were presented for noting

**d. Audited accounts of WONCA Trust for year ending December 2017** (Paper CP7d) – were presented for noting

**RESOLUTIONS: C.KOREA.2018.03/04**

**1. Council accepted the WONCA Trust Annual Accounts for 2016 and 2017**

**2. Council approved the re-appointment of Mr Jongsak Norchoovech as Auditor for the 2018 and 2019 accounts**

**e. Report on revised budget for 2018 (Paper CP7e)**

The Honorary Treasurer presented various revisions to the budget, for information only, based on (a) previous political problems in Korea which had been projected to impact adversely on the income from World Conference and (b) the increased income from consultancies.

The budget for 2018 is not final yet, given the uncertainty about income from the World Conference levy and the cost of the upcoming Astana meeting. There is an anticipated surplus of \$101,500.

**f. WONCA Membership Organizations per capita levy (Paper CP7f)**

The Honorary Treasurer proposed a 3-cent increase per MO member. He indicated that Executive would like to increase support for WPs, regions, for increased visibility of WONCA, and for staffing of the Secretariat. This is not possible with the current budget. He reflected that an ideal budget would be \$1m but we are currently expecting significantly less than that. He also reported that the membership levy has not changed since 2007, so an increase of 3 cents for 2018 and 2019 is proposed as a means of addressing a small number of increased activities. Through the Chair, he invited Council to comment. Most comments reflected that the proposed 3 cent increase did not even address the inflation factor since 2007 but that it was a reasonable proposal.

**RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.05**

**3. Council agreed the per capita levy for Member Organizations for 2019 and 2020 at \$1.75**

**g. Direct Member levy for 2019-2020 (Paper CP7g) – presented for noting**

The CEO informed Council that Paper 7g is for noting, since the Direct Member levy is devolved to Executive for decision making. He noted that Executive had supported the change in their recent meeting.

**h. Proposed budget for 2019-20 biennium (Paper CP7h)**

The Honorary Treasurer presented the proposed budget for 2019-20 budget. It is a cautious budget, with a slight increase in planned income, as well as slight increase in expenditure. He noted that an increase in accrual of membership fees will result in an increase of resources allocated to Working Parties (WPs). The President also noted the availability of the Discretionary Fund to which WPs can apply.

Given that the budget had been presented later than planned to Council a vote was taken on whether or

not a formal vote could be taken on the proposed budget for 2019-20. Council indicated that it was content to proceed with a vote on the budget

**RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.06**

**4. Council adopted the proposed 2019-2020 biennium WONCA budget**

**i. Principles of third party funding (Paper CP7i)**

The President introduced this paper, which was based on debates and situations that had arisen in the last biennium. She put the ethical context to Council where Executive could be asked to act as the conduit for money to go to another agency. These are rare requests but the issue is being brought to Council because the resources could, for example, be of benefit to health systems or health issues in a country. Executive had recognised that there could be concerns about why WONCA might be in the middle of a transfer of money from one agency to another. To date, and pending Council's decision, Executive have told third party payers that they cannot proceed without consulting Council.

While wanting to be helpful, the Executive does not want to put the WONCA reputation at risk. The paper submitted summarised ethical principles, an approach to risk assessment and checks on legality if this situation was agreed as possible in the future.

The President, in concluding her presentation on the subject, emphasised that if Council approves the principle of third party funding, Executive will still undertake a detailed risk and legal assessment. A two thirds majority of Executive would have to agree with the issue, each occurrence to be discussed and assessed on merit. The resources would be shown in accounts, and be fully transparent.

A number of questions came from the floor, primarily asking for clarification or for examples of the context. A number of participants asked about the ability of WONCA to monitor the actual use of the money once it had been transferred. Others asked what the process would be if Council DID approve such circumstances in principle.

The President reflected that the recent situations revealed there was no existing process or learning from organisational memory, which was why it had to come to Council. She indicated that should Council approve in principle, then work would be undertaken to assess potential costs and on-costs and also the types of approaches WONCA might accept or not.

Following a constructive discussion the President proposed a revised resolution, as follows:

**RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.07**

**Council agrees to the incoming Executive doing further work on the basis of which third party transfer funding might be legitimate for WONCA and will bring that back for a decision in Council 2020. The resolution was carried unanimously.**

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**WHO-WONCA relations**

**a. Discussion on WHO issues** – Dr Shannon Barkley (Technical Officer, Primary Healthcare Services, WHO HQ)

The President thanked Dr Barkley for coming to Seoul while in the throes of preparation for Astana next week.

Dr Barkley started her presentation by thanking Council members for all their inputs, through WPs, SIGs and Executive, to WHO. She further thanked Council particularly the President, President-Elect, CEO and WHO Liaison for their regular and enthusiastic response to often urgent requests for comments and responses to draft papers.

The upcoming meeting in Astana and the associated Declaration (the final wording of which had still not been finalised at the time of Council) was discussed in the context of where family medicine fits in the world of post-Astana and SDG3. She reminded Council that when her post was created it was the first in WHO with a primary care title in it, for more than 10 years. WHO recognises that there is a need for better

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global understanding of primary health care. Primary care feeds into Universal Health Coverage and vice versa.

Dr Barkley outlined ways of working collaboratively with WONCA after the Declaration. There is clear recognition that Ministers of Health and WHO representatives change sometimes quite rapidly, whereas WONCA Member Organisations remain in place, with a message that needs to be heard by successive incumbents of political and technical posts. WONCA can push this agenda forward.

She reflected that the economic evidence for primary healthcare was still needed, and that there are limited solid statistics and research. WHO is working with a number of agencies and journals to encourage the delivery of new research. There is, however, a way of assessing what is being spent on primary care in some countries through OECD.

WONCA is engaged in numerous issues across the range of WHO activities. Health Workforce is one of the most important and will be increasingly so following Astana.

There are particular challenges to show the success of primary care. When it works well it is hard to show how. Primary care has been plagued by accusations of poor quality, even though the evidence shows that the health gains through delivery of primary care are higher than through other means of delivering care. There are lots of challenge, even with the requirements of SDG3. She urged WONCA Council to continue to work together with WHO to build a coherent evidence-based case for primary care implementation. She also urged setting the professionalism aside and engaging with other primary care stakeholders. The technical work undertaken through the WONCA Working Parties and SIGs is crucial for the success of WHO's work to support comprehensive primary care implementation.

Following her presentation, Council members took the opportunity to encourage Dr Barkley to urge WHO country and regional offices to liaise with WONCA Member Organisations: a number of comments were made about the 'vacuum of WHO leadership' on primary care in some countries. A number of questions were put about the reluctance of WHO to overtly support family medicine, with its associated primary care teams, as the best way of delivering quality patient-centred integrated health services. Issues of conflicting and confusing terminology were also raised – as were historical anomalies such as in former Soviet countries where primary care is led by oncologists.

Dr Barkley responded to the comments and questions. She again reflected that more evidence is needed which supports family medicine as the basis for a health system. There are places where the evidence is not available. The confusion over labels, both in nomenclature for primary care and family medicine and for members of the primary care workforce means the field is rife for misunderstanding. Global documents need to be contextualised to see how the policy options can be adopted locally. She encouraged people to email their regional and country WHO representatives – email addresses of all WHO representatives are available online. Use the email system to show what WONCA can offer locally, regionally and globally. For family medicine to get a higher position on the WHO agenda she urged Council members to act by establishing and continuing with communications at every level of WHO, to build momentum and get heard.

Council members showed their appreciation for Dr Barkley's presentation and response to questions and comments.

**b. WONCA-WHO Liaison report – Dr Viviana Martinez Bianchi (Paper CP9)**

The President invited WHO Liaison to report – and thanked her for her huge inputs over her two years in the role.

The WHO Liaison referred to her written report and then applauded the WPs and SIGs for responding so quickly and ably to requests for comments from WHO on a range of technical papers – often in less than seven days. She encouraged other WPs and SIGs which aren't currently involved with WHO about how they might also contribute to global technical discussions.

A number of issues were raised from the floor about the wider relationship between WONCA and WHO, including:

- the relationship between ICPC, ICD, WHO and WONCA and the importance of people measuring

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	<p>the same things in the same way to accurately reflect the work of family medicine and primary care</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the absence of a strong narrative from WHO on health care for refugees and those fleeing war was raised and the consequent impacts on existing and changing population groups and demographics. These changes will be very hard to measure but are having an impact on the day to day lives of family doctors</li> <li>• the current status of the 1994 WHO charter on general practice, developed by RCGP, WHO and WONCA but which seems no longer part of the general narrative.</li> </ul> <p><b>c. Astana meeting and statement</b> The President briefed Council on the process preceding Astana and promised a report to MOs immediately after Astana.</p>
10	<p><b>Breakout Session</b> The President introduced the topics for discussion at the breakout sessions, based around the theme of 'Strengthening PHC: how can we make this a reality?' The four groups discussed the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What can my Member Organisation do?</li> <li>• What do we need WONCA to do?</li> <li>• What we want to ask WHO to prioritize / understand?</li> </ul> <p>The discussions were held for the remainder of the afternoon, with the President, President-Elect, WHO Liaison and Dr Barkley visiting the groups to observe.</p>
	<p><b>DAY 2 – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018</b></p>
	<p>The President welcomed participants back to Council. There being no items to note or bring forward from Day 1, the President moved to the feedback from the breakout discussion sessions.</p>
11	<p><b>Feedback from WHO discussion</b> The president thanked the facilitators and scribes of the discussion groups and offered to collate and synthesise the findings of the discussions, which are available at Appendix 3.</p> <p>Dr Shannon Barkley was asked to provide observations on the feedback from the groups. She noted a lot of similar themes coming from the discussion groups and reminded delegates about the recent high-level commission on workforce needs, undertaken by a range of UN agencies. She reiterated her encouragement to Council members to engage with their country and regional WHO offices.</p>
12	<p><b>Membership Committee Report (Paper CP12)</b></p> <p><b>a. Report of Chair (Professor Ruth Wilson)</b> Professor Wilson named and thanked members of the Committee for their involvement and work. She highlighted and warmly welcomed the new WONCA members who were awarded membership during this biennium.</p> <p><i>Full Membership:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 College of Indonesian Primary Care Physicians</li> <li>2 Pakistan Society of Family Physicians – upgraded from Associate Member</li> <li>3 Society of Family Physicians of Ghana</li> <li>4 Public Organization National Association of Family Medicine Workers of Tajikistan</li> </ol> <p><i>Academic Membership:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Department of Family Medicine and Community Medicine, Annajah University, Nablus- West Bank</li> <li>2 National Republic Training and Clinical Medicine Center, Tajikistan</li> <li>3 Department of Family Medicine, University of Malawi College of Family Medicine</li> </ol>

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	<p>4 Division of Family Medicine, University of Cape Town, South Africa 5 Department of General Practice, Faculty of Postgraduate Medicine, Khesar Gyalpo University of Medical Sciences of Bhutan (KGUMSB), Thimphu, Bhutan 6 Department of Family Medicine at Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada 7 Department of Family Medicine (DFM) of Faculty of Medicine and Community Health (FMCH), Queensland University, Haïti 8 Aswan Family Medicine Residency Programme, Egypt</p> <p><i>Organization in Collaborative Relationship (OCR)</i> 1 World Federation of Public Health Associations 2 International Primary Care Cardiovascular Society (IPCCS)</p> <p><b>b. Briefing on revisions to Academic Department Membership package</b> Chair of Membership Committee identified the new Academic Members who had joined during the biennium and reported to Council on the review of how the benefit package for academic members is being further developed to make it more attractive and relevant. Also under consideration by Executive is a revision to the fee structure for academic membership.</p> <p>She concluded by encouraging everyone to become a Life Direct Member of WONCA as this has ongoing personal benefits.</p>
13.	<p><b>President-Elect’s report – Dr Donald Li (Paper CP13)</b> The President-elect reported a busy two years in office, sharing duties, travel and meetings with the President and CEO. He referred to the written report in Council papers. He expressed thanks to the President, Executive and especially to the CEO and Secretariat for their help and support.</p>
14	<p><b><u>Organisational Equity Committee (OEC)</u></b></p> <p><b>a. Report of Chair (Dr Donald Li) (Paper CP14a)</b> Dr Li reported that the move to a two-year cycle, coupled with working electronically, has been a challenge. Conference equity was a key issue addressed by the group: the outcome of the consultation on this is now included as a reference document for every WONCA event.</p> <p>In terms of language facilitation, ‘easy’ English is now encouraged at each WONCA event. Spanish translation is being provided at this Council meeting</p> <p>Most WPs and SIGs have made great progress in pursuing equity of age, gender and geography. On gender equity, all WONCA groups must have a minimum of 25% women and 25% men. He did, however, express disappointment at the regional nominations for awards: which were neither gender equitable nor age equitable.</p> <p><b>b. OEC statement on LGBTQ (Paper CP14b)</b> Dr Li referred delegates to the WONCA statement on LGBTQ which had been fully endorsed by Executive. He read the statement, which was included in the Council pack for consideration.</p> <p><i>“All family doctors are responsible to provide the highest quality of clinical care possible to their patients irrespective of each patient’s age, disease or disability, creed, ethnic origin, gender identity, nationality, political affiliation, race, sexual orientation, social standing or any other factor.</i></p> <p><i>People identifying as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer/questioning (LGBTQ) have the human right to have accessible, affordable and high-quality care to meet their health needs.</i></p> <p><i>World Organization of Family Doctors (WONCA) acknowledges the health needs of people identifying as LGBTQ and urges all clinicians and medical organizations, as well as all governments</i></p>

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	<p><i>and global organizations, to provide just, equitable, dignified, high quality health care to LGBTQ people in each community where they reside.”</i></p> <p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.08</b> <b>Council adopted the WONCA statement on LGBTQ with one MO voting against the resolution and one abstention</b></p>
15	<p><b>2018 WONCA World Conference Paper CP15)</b> Report by Chair of WONCA Conference Planning Committee - Dr Garth Manning</p> <p>The CEO commented on the additional challenges faced by two year cycles for Council and Conference. A key example was that planning for the Council and Conference for 2018 was in full swing at the same time as planning was underway for planning Council and Conference for two years hence. He offered his profound thanks to Dr Bohumil Seifert for his experience, expertise and collegiality during the planning process.</p> <p>The CEO expressed his satisfaction with the Host Organising Committee (HOC) for the Seoul Council and Conference. One of the main challenges has been linguistic. Briefings in person were easier than by email. It had taken some time to finalise the location for the Council meeting, given the high cost of venues. Incheon was determined because of the access to the airport and the costs were lower. The HOC has been very helpful if a bit inflexible. He promised that CoEx, the conference centre, is a good venue with plenty of space. And he announced that arrangements for moving from Incheon to Seoul by bus had been made for those who want to avail of them.</p> <p>Because of the two-year cycle, the CEO is also involved in planning for the 2020 Conference and Council in Abu Dhabi. He has made a number of visits to ensure the smooth planning of the events. The conference centre in Abu Dhabi is a really good, modern venue, with multiple hotels of varying costs. Council and Conference will be co-located, which will reduce frustrations related to moving venue. The Scientific Committee has already been established and has begun work. More concentrated efforts will be devoted to the planning as soon as this Conference is over.</p> <p>The President thanked the CEO and emphasized the need to create bursaries for those who would need discounts and assistance to attend the Abu Dhabi Conference.</p>
16	<p><b>Young Doctor Movement (YDM) report (Paper CP21.1)</b> Dr Ana Nunes Barata reported a challenging but very productive biennium, with big changes and developments across the networks. The YDMs have developed their own logo and a three-times-a-year Newsletter, and a direct link on the WONCA webpage. On the website also is a prominent invitation to young doctors to join a YDM.</p> <p>She reported on the work to improve governance of the YDMs, some of which was being reported at this Council meeting. She also made recommendations to regions about how best to support YDMs in their regions.</p> <p>A key feature which had emerged through better communications between the YDMs was the inequity between regions in terms of access to funds to participate in meetings and workshops. She reported on the establishment of the YDM Global Fund, which is funded through donations and will be used to improve equity of access to YDMs from less advantaged regions to participate in global projects.</p> <p>The YDM representative on Executive encouraged more participation of young doctors in Working Parties and SIGs.</p> <p>She thanked the WONCA Executive team for all their guidance and support to the young doctor leaders.</p>

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**Proposed amendments to Bylaws; notification of changes to Organizational policies**

**a. Introduction – President**

The President briefly introduced this item and asked CEO to speak. The CEO began with an apology to Council that the revisions to the Bylaws, which had received much attention and hard work over the biennium, had not been sent to MOs with the requisite three months' notice, as required in the Bylaws. He also asked Council to note that the version of the Bylaws on their thumb sticks / memory sticks was not the latest version but referred everyone to the website, where the correct version is available.

**b. Report of Chair of Bylaws and Governance – Dr Karen Flegg (Paper CP17b)**

The Chair of Bylaws and Regulations invited Dr José Miguel Bueno Ortiz to translate as she talked, to ensure as much understanding as possible for some very technical issues.

**c. Amendments to Bylaws, as proposed by Executive (Paper CP17c)**

The Chair of Bylaws reported on 'tidy up' issues in the Bylaws, including very longstanding grammatical errors, which require approval from Council to change. In total there were 8 amendments. The Bylaws referring to the Young Doctor Movement were checked specifically to ensure that the YDM representative on Executive and the Young Doctor Movements were happy with the proposed changes. The YDM representative on Executive confirmed that they were.

The Chair of Bylaws and Regulations pointed out that these changes would not be voted on today, as the required notice had not been given. Member Organizations would be given three months formal notice of the proposed Bylaws amendments, and also 120 days' notice of an Extraordinary General Meeting where the amendments would be voted on electronically. CEO would contact all Member Organizations in early November to confirm

The President then opened the floor to questions. A range of issues were discussed, primarily relating to arrangements for the replacement of the YDM Representative on Executive in the event of the existing Representative being unable to continue.

The Chair of Bylaws suggested that this could be brought to the next meeting of Bylaws Committee, with options for consideration.

Representatives of MOs at Council thanked the Chair of Bylaws and the Committee for their diligent work, while the Chair of Bylaws offered particular thanks to Rich Roberts, Past President, who willingly gave both his legal advice and his long institutional knowledge of WONCA in support of continuing the ethos and spirit of WONCA through these very necessary revisions.

The President suggested sending the proposed revisions to Bylaws to Council members for voting, absent Motion 4 relating to the YDM representative on Executive, to allow for further consideration of that issue in Committee. Despite some support from the floor to proceed with a vote on the proposed changes to Bylaws, the President reminded Council that the Bylaws themselves precluded that approach. After some discussion (and lunch) a revised resolution was proposed:

**RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.09**

**That WONCA World Council are hereby given notice of proposed changes to the Bylaws as distributed to Council at this meeting – except for Motion 4 as currently stated.**

**RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.10**

**That a new Motion 4 will be developed in conjunction with the Young Doctor Movements and circulated to Council members with the other motions with the required 3 months' notice. The resolution was carried unanimously.**

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	<p><b>d. Notification of amendments to Organizational Policies, as endorsed by Executive</b> (Paper CP17d) The Chair of Bylaws then presented the changes to Organizational policies, for information only to Council. She gave some background to the extensive changes which more accurately reflect the structure of WONCA's Statutory Committees, WPs and SIGs. She referred delegates to the paper provided on their USB sticks and on the WONCA website, which show all the additions. Following the detailed presentation, the President invited questions from delegates.</p> <p>Questions raised ranged from regional representation on Statutory Committees to the potential for adding to WPs and SIGs should it be necessary. The President and CEO responded on both issues, reminding Council that simply having a nominated person from each region on a Statutory Committee does not guarantee engagement or commitment to do the work. The Statutory Committees need both commitment and specialist skills (Bylaws, for example need people who are prepared to do very detailed work and who have a perfect understanding of English and formal terminology)</p> <p>After some discussion the President moved the resolution</p> <p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.11</b> <b>Council noted the amendments to WONCA Organisational Policies highlighted in Paper 17d. The resolution was carried, with 1 abstention</b></p>
18	<p><b>Reports of Regional Presidents – for noting</b></p> <p>The President invited any questions about the reports of the WONCA Regional Presidents</p> <p><b>WONCA Africa Region</b> – Dr Henry Lawson (Paper CP18.1) <b>WONCA Asia Pacific Region</b> – Professor Meng Chih Lee (Paper CP18.2) <b>WONCA Eastern Mediterranean Region</b> – Dr Mohammed Tarawneh (Paper CP18.3) <b>WONCA Europe Region</b> – Dr Anna Stavdal (Paper CP18.4) <b>WONCA Iberoamericana-CIMF Region</b> – A/Professor Inez Padula (Paper CP18.5) <b>WONCA North America Region</b> – Professor Ruth Wilson (Paper CP18.6) <b>WONCA South Asia Region</b> – Professor Kanu Bala (Paper CP18.7)</p> <p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.12</b> <b>Council noted and accepted the reports from the WONCA Regional Presidents.</b></p> <p>The President thanked the Regional Presidents for their commitment and work both in their regions and on Executive.</p>
19	<p><b>Reports from WONCA Working Parties – for noting</b></p> <p>The President thanked all of the Working Parties for their ongoing work on behalf of the global profession of family medicine</p> <p><b>WP on Education</b> –Professor Val Wass (Paper CP19.1) <b>WP on E-health</b> - Dr Ilkka Kunnamo (Paper CP19.2) <b>WP on Environment</b> – Dr Enrique Barros (Paper CP19.3) <b>WP on Ethical Issues</b> – Professor Manfred Maier (Paper CP19.3) <b>WP on Indigenous and Minority Groups Health Issues</b> – Dr Tane Taylor (Paper CP19.5) <b>WP on Mental Health</b> – Professor Chris Dowrick (Paper 19.6) <b>WP on Quality and Safety in Family Medicine</b> – Dr Maria Astier Pilar (Paper CP19.7) <b>WP on Research</b> – Professor Felicity Goodyear-Smith (Paper CP19.8) <b>WP on Rural Practice</b> – Dr John Wynn-Jones (Paper CP19.9) <b>WONCA International Classification Committee</b> – Dr Thomas Kuehleln (Paper CP19.10) <b>WP on Women and Family Medicine</b> – Dr Kate Anteyi (Paper CP19.11)</p>

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	<p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.13</b> <b>Council noted and accepted the reports from the WONCA Working Parties.</b></p>
20	<p><b>Reports from WONCA Special Interest Groups – for noting</b></p> <p>The President thanked all of the Special Interest Groups and invited questions from Council about the reports</p> <p><b>SIG on Ageing and Health</b>- Dr Dimity Pond (Paper CP20.1)  <b>SIG on Conflict and Catastrophe Medicine</b> – Professor Rich Withnall (Paper CP20.3)  <b>SIG on Emergency Medicine</b> – Dr Victor Ng (Paper CP20.4)  <b>SIG on Family Violence</b> – Professor Kelsey Hegarty / Dr Hagit Dascal Weichhendler (Paper CP20.5)  <b>SIG on Health Equity</b> – Professor William Wong (Paper CP20.7)  <b>SIG on Migrant Care, International Health and Travel Medicine</b> – Dr Maria van Muijsenberg (Paper CP20.9)  <b>SIG on Non Communicable Diseases</b> - Professor Domingo Orozco Beltran (Paper CP20.10)  <b>SIG on Point-of-Care Testing</b> – Professor Mark Shepherd (Paper CP20.11)  <b>SIG on Quaternary Prevention and Over-medicalization</b> – Dr Miguel Pizzanelli (Paper CP20.12)  <b>SIG on Workers Health</b> – De Ezequiel Lopez (Paper CP20.14)</p> <p>No reports were received from:  <b>SIG on Cancer and Palliative Care</b>  <b>SIG on Genetics/Genomics</b>  <b>SIG on Men’s Health</b>  <b>SIG on Systems and Complexities</b></p> <p>A number of questions were asked about SIGs which had not submitted reports and what consequences there would be. The President responded that she had personally been in touch with each WP and SIG chair, in some cases to determine why they appeared to be dormant. Where feasible Executive has moved to reinvigorate dormant groups by recruiting new interested people to take the helm</p> <p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.14</b> <b>Council noted and accepted the reports from the WONCA Special Interest Groups.</b></p>
21	<p><b>Reports from WONCA Young Doctor Movements – for noting</b></p> <p>The President thanked all of the Young Doctor Groups for their enthusiastic participation in WONCA. She referred delegates to the reports from the YDMs immediately after the YDM Representative on Executive report (Item 16 above).</p> <p><b>YDM representative on Executive</b> – Dr Ana Nunes Barata (Paper CP21.1) presented verbally at Item 16  <b>FM360 Exchange Programme</b> – Dr Ana Nunes Barata (Paper CP21.2)  <b>Afriwon Renaissance</b> – Dr Joy Mugambe (Paper CP21.3)  <b>The Rajakumar Movement</b>- Dr Shin Yoshida (Paper CP21.4)  <b>Al Razi</b> – Dr Nagwa Nashat (Paper CP21.5)  <b>Vasco da Gama</b>- Dr Claire Thomas (Paper CP21.6)  <b>Waykanay Movement</b>- Dr Virginia Cardoso (Paper CP21.7)  <b>Polaris</b>- Dr Cheyanne Vetter (Paper CP21.8)  <b>Spice Route</b>- Dr Santosh Kumar Dhungana (Paper CP21.9)</p> <p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.15</b> <b>Council noted and accepted the reports from the Young Doctor on Executive and from all the Young Doctor Movements</b></p>
22	<p><b>How to use the WONCA website</b></p> <p>As Editor of the WONCA website, Karen Flegg provided delegates with a clear, concise demonstration of</p>

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	<p>how to access all the links on the website, including how to contact WP and SIG Chairs and Leads. She indicated the wealth of documents available under a range of topics, including evidence-based articles and studies on primary care and family medicine evidence, to help delegates use resources to consult with their own governments. WONCA position statements and policy documents are also readily accessible.</p> <p>Delegates very much appreciated the brief tutorial.</p>
23	<p><b>STATEMENTS FOR ENDORSEMENT</b></p> <p>The President introduced this item which offers Council an opportunity to note the various statements which have been issued, through Executive, during the current biennium. She indicated that a. and b. of the list below were still ‘live’, for issuing during the coming Conference.</p> <p>a. Statement on Ageing (WONCA SIG on Ageing and Health) (Paper CP23a)  b. Seoul Statement (Paper CP23b)  c. Statement on the value of family medicine exchanges (YDM movements) (Paper CP23c)  d. YDM Operational Guidelines (Paper CP23d)  e. Core competencies of family doctors in primary mental health care (WWP on Mental Health) (Paper CP23e)  f. Delhi Declaration (WWP on Rural Practice) (Paper CP23f)  g. Statement on Resilience (WWP on Rural Practice) (Paper CP23g)  h. Cairns Action Statement (WWP on Rural Practice) (Paper CP23h)  i. Mental Health Non-Drugs Interventions (WWP on Mental Health) (Paper CP23i)  j. Statement on Planetary Health (WWP on Environment) (Paper CP23j)  k. WONCA Practice Accreditation (Paper CP23k)      WONCA Practice Accreditation Guidelines (Paper CP23ki)</p> <p>The President invited comments from the floor.</p> <p>A number of points were raised about how to promote uptake of accreditation among MOs, information about statements which have been endorsed or issued in conjunction with other organisations and the potential to reach a wider audience by doing so, and the need for scrutiny of input versus return on accreditation teams visiting practices and academic programmes.</p> <p>In addition, in relation to the proposed ‘Seoul Statement’ to be issued at the Conference, a request was made to include phrasing relating to working conditions for family doctors.</p> <p>The President asked for a resolution on the statements b. to k.</p> <p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.16</b>  <b>Council noted the WONCA positions statements numbered a. and c. to k. above, agreed by Executive during the 2016-2018 biennium. One MO voted against the resolution.</b></p> <p><b>RESOLUTION C.KOREA.2018.17</b>  <b>Council approved the proposed ‘Seoul Statement’, with the addition of one sentence ‘Working conditions, including remuneration, must also be made attractive for family doctors and their teams’.</b></p>
24	<p><b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b></p> <p><i>1 Biennial cycle of WONCA World Council and Conference</i></p> <p>The implications of changing to a two-year cycle had been raised by the North America Region Council. There was discussion and some concern noted about the impact to regions and to WONCA World on governance, finances, engagement, and participation. The President noted the concerns and invited the President-Elect to comment. He asked for a motion to be proposed on the issue which, if agreed by Council, would then be considered by the new Executive.</p> <p>A resolution was proposed by Francine Lemire, College of Family Physicians of Canada and seconded by</p>

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	<p>Lucy Candib from SFTM. The resolution was put to the delegates at Council:</p> <p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.18</b> <b>That WONCA World Executive conduct an evaluation of the impact of the new biennial cycle for WONCA World Council meetings and Conference, with a report back at each Council meeting.</b> <b>The resolution was carried with one abstention</b></p>
25	<p><b>NOMINATING AND AWARDS COMMITTEE</b> (Paper CP25) President-Elect, as Chair, presented this item. Nominating and Awards Committee was pleased to recommend and Executive were pleased to accept the following nominations:</p> <p><b>a. Fellows:</b> Professor Ian Couper (South Africa) Professor Nandandi de Silva (Sri Lanka) Professor Nural Islam (Bangladesh) Professor Michael Kidd (Australia) Dr Roar Maagaard (Denmark) Professor Antoinette Perera (Sri Lanka) Professor Pratap Prasad (Nepal) Dr Jim Puffer (USA) Dr Sonia Roache Barker (Trinidad and Tobago) Professor Jim Rourke (Canada) A/Professor Bohumil Seifert (Czech Republic) Dr Mohammed Tarawneh (Jordan)</p> <p><b>b. Honorary Life Direct Members:</b> Professor Bob Mash (South Africa)</p> <p><b>c. Five Star Doctor Award:</b> Six nominees were received, one nomination coming from both Europe and Iberoamericana Regions. After due process and full consultation within the Nominating and Awards Committee, the award was made to Dr Veronica Casado Vicente of Spain</p> <p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.19</b> <b>Council ratified the WONCA awards proposed.</b></p> <p>As they would not be present at Conference for the Awards Ceremony, the President presented Roar Maagaard and Jim Puffer with their Fellow awards.</p> <p>Members of Nominating and Awards Committee confirmed that all nominees for the various offices of WONCA were eligible for nomination. The nominees were named:</p> <p><b>President-Elect</b> Dr Henry Lawson Dr Anna Stavdal</p> <p><b>Young Doctor Movement Representative</b> Dr Ana Nunes Dr Ping Hsun Chang Dr Santosh Kumar Dhungana</p> <p><b>Member-at-Large</b> Dr Oraib Alsmadi Dr Viviana Martinez Bianchi Dr Maria Sofia Cuba Fuentes</p>

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	<p>Dr Pratyush Kumar Dr Gene Wai Wang Tsoi Professor Val Wass</p> <p>The voting for all office positions took place on the final morning of Council, the results of which are indicated below at Item 34</p>																																													
26	<p><b>PRESENTATION OF BIDS FOR 24<sup>TH</sup> WONCA WORLD CONFERENCE 2022</b> Based on drawing of lots bids were presented by</p> <p>a. Royal College of General Practitioners (UK) (proposed venue London) (Papers CP26bi and CP26bii) and</p> <p>b. Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (proposed venue Sydney) (Paper CP26a)</p> <p>The voting for the awarding of bids took place on the final morning of the Council meeting, as reported below at Item 34</p>																																													
	<p>Following the presentation of bids for WONCA 2022 the President brought proceedings to a close. She reminded nominees for election on the following day that she and the CEO would be available at the Secretariat for anyone who is standing for election and who wants to check about procedures and arrangements.</p>																																													
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27	<p><b>Appointment of members of WONCA Statutory Committees 2018 - 2020</b> The CEO announced membership of each of the WONCA Statutory Committees. Chairs of each of the Committees would be appointed at the first meeting of the new WONCA Executive. The complete lists are at Appendix 2, and include the Chairs subsequently appointed following WONCA Officer elections.</p> <p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.20</b> <b>Council ratified the appointment of members of the WONCA Statutory Committees</b></p>																																													
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29	<p><b>Ratification of Regional Presidents</b></p> <p>This issue was postponed until after Item 34, because of a potential issue which could arise for the President of Europe Region, depending on the outcome of the vote for President-Elect (Bylaws article 12.6.2)</p>		
	<p>Before the start of the elections, the CEO reminded MO representatives at Council of the voting procedures. He informed Council that, based on the number of people in attendance and their voting entitlement and on the certified proxies received, that the maximum number of votes is 131 MOs and 13 Executive votes, making 144 votes in all.</p> <p>The CEO referred delegates to the coloured slips they had been issued, and explained the various voting slips for the various votes.</p>		
30	<p><b>Election of President-Elect for 2018-2020 biennium</b></p> <p>The candidates for President-Elect were offered seven minutes each to present to Council</p> <p>a. Dr Henry Lawson (Ghana) (Paper CP30a) b. Dr Anna Stavdal (Norway) (Paper CP30b)</p> <p>The two candidates for President-Elect each gave a short presentation to Council after which the voting took place.</p>		
31	<p><b>Election for Young Doctor Representative on Executive for biennium 2018-2020</b></p> <p>Each of the three candidates was allowed up to five minutes to present to Council</p> <p>a. Dr Ping Hsun Chang (Taiwan) (Paper CP31b) b. Dr Ana Nunes Barata (Portugal) (Paper CP31a) c. Dr Santosh Kumar Dhungana (Nepal) (Paper CP31c)</p> <p>The vote for Junior Doctor Representative on Executive was then held.</p>		

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32	<p><b>Election for Members-At-Large for 2018-2020 biennium</b></p> <p>Six candidates had stood for election as Member-at-Large. Each candidate gave a short presentation to Council after which the vote took place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Dr Pratyush Kumar (India)</li> <li>b. Dr Maria Sofia Cuba (Peru)</li> <li>c. Dr Viviana Martinez Bianchi (USA)</li> <li>d. Dr Gene Tsoi (Hong Kong)</li> <li>e. Dr Oraib Al Smadi (Jordan)</li> <li>f. Professor Val Wass (UK)</li> </ul> <p>The President reminded Council that their <b>three</b> preferred candidates should be indicated on voting slips. Voting slips not containing three choices would be declared invalid.</p>								
33	<p><b>Voting for 23<sup>rd</sup> WONCA World Conference 2022</b></p> <p>Voting took place for the venue for the WONCA 2022 World Conference, following the bidders' presentations on the previous afternoon.</p>								
34	<p><b>Announcement of Election Results</b></p> <p>The President announced the results of the various votes:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">President-Elect</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Dr Anna Stavdal</td> </tr> <tr> <td>YDM Representative</td> <td>Dr Ana Nunes Barata</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Members-at-Large</td> <td>Dr Pratyush Kumar Dr Vivi Martinez Bianchi Professor Val Wass</td> </tr> <tr> <td>24<sup>th</sup> WONCA World Conference 2022</td> <td>Sydney</td> </tr> </table> <p>All results were received with acclamation.</p>	President-Elect	Dr Anna Stavdal	YDM Representative	Dr Ana Nunes Barata	Members-at-Large	Dr Pratyush Kumar Dr Vivi Martinez Bianchi Professor Val Wass	24 <sup>th</sup> WONCA World Conference 2022	Sydney
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29.	<p><b>Ratification of Regional Presidents</b></p> <p>In light of the results of the election for President-elect, the following persons were proposed to Council for ratification as Regional Presidents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <b>WONCA Africa Region – Shabir Moosa</b></li> <li>b. <b>WONCA Asia Pacific Region – Meng Chi Lee</b></li> <li>c. <b>WONCA Eastern Mediterranean Region – Jinan Usta</b></li> <li>d. <b>WONCA Europe Region – Mehmet Ungan</b></li> <li>e. <b>WONCA Iberoamericana – CIMF Region – Jacqueline Ponzio</b></li> <li>f. <b>WONCA North America Region – Marvin Reid</b></li> <li>g. <b>WONCA South Asia Region – Raman Kumar</b></li> </ul> <p><b>RESOLUTION: C.KOREA.2018.22</b> <b>Council ratified the appointment of the seven Regional Presidents as proposed by Regional Councils</b></p>								
35	<p><b>Presentation of mementoes to members of WONCA Executive Committee 2016-2018</b></p> <p>The Executive of 2016-2018 were presented with small mementoes by the President, following which the</p>								

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	President-Elect presented the President with a memento.
36	<b>2018 World Conference – report from Korea</b>  The Chair of the Host Organising Committee made a short presentation about the upcoming Conference and welcomed everyone to Korea.
37	<b>Arrangements for next WONCA World Council meeting</b>  The CEO reminded Council representatives that the next World Council meeting would take place in Abu Dhabi, UAE from 22 <sup>nd</sup> to 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2020
38	<b>2020 WONCA World Conference – Abu Dhabi, UAE</b>  The President invited the WONCA World Conference 2020 Abu Dhabi Host Organising Committee Chair to make a presentation to Council about the next World Conference
39	<b>CLOSE OF MEETING</b>  The President brought the meeting to a close and said she looked forward to speaking with many of the participants during Conference, in less formal surroundings

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<b>Executive Committee</b>		
Professor Amanda Howe	President	Voting Member
Dr Donald Li	President Elect	Voting Member
Dr Garth Manning	Chief Executive Officer	Non-voting Member
Professor Job Metsemakers	Member at Large and Hon Treasurer	Voting Member
Dr Viviana Martinez-Bianchi	Member at Large and WHO Liaison	Voting Member
Dr Karen Flegg	Member at Large	Voting Member
Dr Henry Lawson	WONCA Africa Region President	Voting Member
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Dr Mohammed Tarawneh	WONCA Eastern Mediterranean Region President	Voting Member
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Dr Ana Nunes Barata	Young Doctor representative	Voting Member

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2	Austrian Society of General Practice & Family Medicine/ Osterreichische Gesellschaft für Allgemein und Familienmedizin	ÖGAM	AUSTRIA	Ilse Hellemann	
3	Bangladesh College of General Practitioners	BCGP	BANGLADESH	N. M. Abdul	Nurul Islam
4	Bangladesh Academy of Family Physicians	BAFP	BANGLADESH	Abdul Quayum	
5	Brazilian Society of Family and Community Medicine/ Sociedade Brasileira de Medicina de Família e Comunidade (SBMFC)	SBMFC	BRAZIL	Daniel Knupp Augusto	Patrícia Sampaio
6	Bulgarian General Practice Society For Research and Education	BGPSRE	BULGARIA	Radost Asenova	
7	The College of Family Physicians of Canada	CFPC	CANADA	Francine Lemire	Guillaume Charbonneau
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9	Chinese Society of General Practice	CSGP	CHINA	Pan Zhigang	
10	Colombian Society of Family Medicine/ Sociedad Colombiana de Medicina Familiar SOCMEF	SOCMEF	COLOMBIA	Dora P. Bernal O.	Liliana Arias Castillo
11	Costa Rican Association of Specialists in Family and Community Medicine/ Asociación Costarricense de Especialistas en Familiar y Comunitaria		COSTA RICA	Thomas Meoño Martín	
12	Czech Society of General Practice CLS JEP	CSGP	CZECH REPUBLIC	Bohumil Seifert	
13	Danish College of General Practitioners/ Dansk Selskab for Almen Medicin DSAM	DSAM	DENMARK	Roar Maagaard	
14	Egyptian Family Medicine Association	EFMA	EGYPT	Nagwa Nashat Hegazy	
15	Fiji College of General Practitioners	FCGP	FIJI	Keshwan Nandan	
16	Finnish Association for General Practice/ Suomen Yleislaaketieteen Yhdistys	FAGP	FINLAND	Merja Laine	
17	Collège de la Médecine Générale (CMG) / French College of General Practice	LECMG	FRANCE	Patrick Ouvrard	
18	German College of General Practice/Family Medicine/ Deutsche Gesellschaft für Allgemeinmedizin und Familienmedizin	DEGAM	GERMANY	Eva Hummers	Erika Baum
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22	The Hong Kong College of Family Physicians	HKCFP	HONG KONG	William Chi Wai Wong	Gene Tsoi

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25	College of Indonesia Primary Care Physicians		INDONESIA	Nita Arisanti	
26	Indonesian Association of Family Physicians/ Perhimpunan Dokter Keluarga Indonesia	IAFP	INDONESIA	Yulherina	
27	Israel Association of Family Physicians	IAFP	ISRAEL	Shlomo Vinker	
28	Centro Studi e Ricerche in Medicina Generale	CSeRMEG	ITALY	Harris Lygidakis	
29	The Caribbean College of Family Physicians	CCFP	JAMAICA	Marwin Reid	
30	Japan Primary Care Association	JPCA	JAPAN	Tesshu Kusaba	Nobutaro Ban
31	Jordan Society of Family Medicine	JSFM	JORDAN	Oraib Alsmadi	
32	Kazakhstan Association of Family Physicians	KAFP	KAZAKHSTAN	Damily Nugmanova	Viktor Tilman
33	Kenya Association of Family Physicians	KAFP	KENYA	Dr Mugambi Joy K.	
34	The Korean Academy of Family Medicine	KAFM	KOREA	Hwan Seok Choi	Duk-Chul Lee
35	Kuwait Association of Family Physician and General Practitioners	KAFPGC	KUWAIT	Mariem Alqattan	Shaikhah Aldei
36	Lebanese Society of Family Medicine	LSFM	LEBANON	Jinan Usta	Khalil Ashkar
37	Luxemburgish Scientific Society for General Practice/ Societé Scientifique Luxembourgeoise de Médecine Générale	SSLMG	LUXEMBOURG	Raquel Gomez Bravo	
38	Associaçao dos Medicos de Clinica Geral de Macau/Macau Association of General Practitioners	AMCGM	MACAU	Carlos Canhota	
39	Academy of Family Physicians of Malaysia/ Akademi Kedokteran Keluarga Malaysia	AFPM	MALAYSIA	Chandramani Thuraisingham	Mohammad Husni Jamal
40	Mexican College of Family Medicine/ Colegio Mexicano de Medicina Familiar A.C.	COMMEF AC	MEXICO	Jose Luis Huerta	
41	Mongolian Association of Family Medicine Specialists	MAFMS	MONGOLIA	Sonin Sodov	
42	National Collective of Moroccan General Practitioners	MG MAROC	MOROCCO	Mchich Alami Fatima Zohra	Cherkaoui Dekkaki Rokia
43	Myanmar Medical Association - GPs Society	GPSM	MYANMAR	Tin Myo Han	Win Zaw
44	General Practitioners' Association of Nepal	GPAN	NEPAL	Pratap Narayan Prasad	Rachana Shah
45	Dutch College of General Practitioners / Nederlands Huisartsen Genootschap	NHG	NETHERLANDS	Rob Dijkstra	
46	The Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners	RNZCGP	NEW ZEALAND	Les Toop	
47	Association of General and Private Medical Practitioners of Nigeria	AGPMPN	NIGERIA	Ugwu Iyke Odo	Dania Abubakar
48	Faculty of Family Medicine, National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria	FGMPNP MCN	NIGERIA	Amao Emmanuel Afolabi	Gyuse Abraham
49	Norwegian College of General Practice/ Norsk Forening for Allmenmedisin, NFA	NFA	NORWAY	Anna Stavdal	
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51	Pakistan Society of Family Physicians, Lahore	PSFP	PAKISTAN	Tariq Aziz	Zahida Sarfraz

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54	Portuguese Association of General Practitioners/ Associação Portuguesa dos Médicos de Clínica Geral	APMGF	PORTUGAL	Jorge Brandão	
55	Romanian National Society of Family Medicine	SNMF	ROMANIA	Raluca Zoitanu	
56	College of Family Physicians, Singapore	CFPS	SINGAPORE	Adj Asst Prof Tan Tze Lee	S Suraj Kumar
57	Slovak Society of General Practice	SkS GP	SLOVAK REPUBLIC	Michaela Macháčová	Jana Bendova
58	Slovenian Family Medicine Society	SFMS	SLOVENIA	Zalika Klemenc Ketiš	
59	South African Academy of Family Physicians	SAAFP	SOUTH AFRICA	Shabir Moosa	Elizabeth Reji
60	Spanish Society of Family and Community Medicine	semFYC	SPAIN	José-Miguel Bueno-Ortiz	Salvador Tranche-Iparraguirre
61	College of General Practitioners of Sri Lanka	CGPSL	SRI LANKA	Preethi Wijegoonewardene	Sankha Randenikumara
62	Chinese Taipei Association of Family Medicine	CTAFM	TAIWAN	Steve Shih-Tzu Tsai	Shinn-Jang Hwang
63	The General Practitioners/Family Physicians Association, Thailand	GPPFAT	THAILAND	Supattra Srivanichakorn	Sairat Noknoy
64	Turkish Association of Family Physicians	TAFP (TAHUD)	TURKEY	Erdem Fehmi Birgul	Mehmet Ungan
65	Association of Family Physicians of Uganda	AFPU	UGANDA	Jane Frances Namatovu	
66	Ukrainian Public Organisation Association of Family Medicine	UFMA	UKRAINE	Victoria Tkachenko	
67	Emirates Family Medicine Society		UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	Wadeia Mohammad Sharief Abdul Rahim	
68	Royal College of General Practitioners	RCGP	UNITED KINGDOM	Val Wass	Helen Stokes-Lampard
69	Uruguayan Society of Family Medicine/ Sociedad Uruguaya de Medicina Familiar Comunitaria	SUMEFAC	URUGUAY	Marcela Cuadrado	
70	Society of Teachers of Family Medicine	STFM	USA	Lucy Candib	
71	American Academy of Family Physicians	AAFP	USA	John Cullen	Julie Wood

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1	Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine	ACRRM	AUSTRALIA	Ewen McPhee	Alan Bruce Chater
2	The Section of Teachers & Section of Researchers, CFPC	STSR	CANADA	Clayton Dyck	
3	Society of Family Physicians of Nigeria	SOFPON	NIGERIA	Akin Moses	Stephen Yohanna

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4	Foundation for Family Medicine Educators, Inc	FFFME, Inc	PHILIPPINES	Zorayda E. Leopando	Aileen R. Espina
5	American Board of Family Medicine	ABFM	USA	James C. Puffer	Jerry E. Kruse

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1	International Primary Care Cardiovascular Society	IPCCS	NETHERLANDS	Richard Hobbs	
2	European Association of Communication in Healthcare	EACH	UNITED KINGDOM	Evelyn van Weel-Baumgarten	

**Certified proxies = 21 organizations**

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1	Afghan Family Medicine Association (AFMA)	AFMA	AFGHANISTAN	Egyptian society of Family Medicine
2	Argentine Federation of Family and General Medicine/ Federación Argentina de Medicina Familiar y General (FAMFyG)	FAMFyG	ARGENTINA	Luxemburgish Scientific Society for General Practice/ Société Scientifique Luxembourgeoise de Médecine Générale
3	Bolivian Society of Family Medicine/Sociedad Boliviana de Medicina Familiar	SOBOMEF A	BOLIVIA	Colombian Society of Family Medicine/ Sociedad Colombiana de Medicina Familiar SOCMEF
4	Association of Family Physicians of the Federation of Bosnia & Herzegovina	AFPFBIH	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	Royal College of General Practitioners
5	Scientific Society of Family and General Medicine of Chile / Sociedad Chilena de Medicina Familiar	Sochimef	CHILE	Uruguayan Society of Family Medicine/ Sociedad Uruguaya de Medicina Familiar Comunitaria
6	The Chinese Medical Doctor Association General Practitioner Sub-association	CMDA-GP	CHINA	Cross-Straits Medicine Exchange Association - Committee of General Practice
7	Cuban Society of Family Medicine/ Sociedad Cubana de Medicina Familiar	SOCUMEF A	CUBA	Brazilian Society of Family and Community Medicine
8	Ecuador Society of Family Medicine / Sociedad Ecuatoriana de Medicina Familiar	SEMF	ECUADOR	Mexican Society of Family Medicine
9	Hungarian Research Organization of Family Physicians	CSAKOSZ	HUNGARY	Slovenian Family Medicine Society
10	Indian Medical Association College of General Practitioners	IMACGP	INDIA	College of General Practitioners of Sri Lanka
11	College of Indonesia Primary Care Physicians		INDONESIA	Myanmar Medical Association - GPs Society
12	Indonesian Association of Family Physicians/ Perhimpunan Dokter Keluarga Indonesia	IAFP	INDONESIA	Academy of Family Physicians of Malaysia/ Akademi Kedokteran Keluarga Malaysia

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13	Iraqi Family Physicians Society	IFPS	IRAQ	Jordan Society of Family Medicine
14	Irish College of General Practitioners	ICGP	IRELAND	Spanish Society of Family and Community Medicine
15	Lesotho Medical Association		LESOTHO	Society of Family Physicians of Ghana
16	Asociacion Nicaraguense de Medicina Familiar	ANIMEF	NICARAGUA	Portuguese Association of General Practitioners/ Associacao Portuguesa dos Medicos de Clinica Geral
17	College of Family Medicine Pakistan	CFMP	PAKISTAN	Bangladesh Academy of Family Physicians
18	Asociacion Panamena de Medicina Familiar	APMF	PANAMA	Costa Rican Association of Specialists in Family and Community Medicine/Asociacion Costarriencense de Especialistas en Familiar y Comunitaria
19	All Russian Fund - Association of General Practitioners of Russian Federation		RUSSIAN FEDERATION	Czech Society of General Practice CLS JEP
20	Swedish College of General Practice/ Svensk forening for allmanmedicin	SFAM	SWEDEN	The Icelandic college of General Practitioners
21	The College of Primary Care Physicians of Zimbabwe	CPCPZ	ZIMBABWE	West African College of Physicians Ghana Chapter

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## Summary of WONCA Council workshop on working with WHO Seoul Oct 14<sup>th</sup>. 2018

### *Context:*

*“Strengthening PHC: how can we make this a reality?”*

- (1) what can my Member Organization do?
- (2) What do we need WONCA to do?
- (3) what we want to ask WHO to prioritise / understand?

One group gave some excellent ‘HEADLINES’– reproduced here, with some more detail below.

### ***What can my Member Organisation do?***

- Engage with government, politicians and patient groups
- Develop and strengthen official relation MO with the government
- Strengthen and renew evidence on the benefits of having a primary care health care system with family doctors in a key position
- Advocate the family doctor as leader of the primary care team
- Communicate the role of the family doctor
- Advocate training adequate workforce for primary care
- Monitor developments of public-private partnerships

### ***What do we need WONCA to do?***

- WONCA to increase visibility at different levels: local at the community level but also at government level
- WONCA to engage with other specialist organisations on the global level
- WONCA to function as a platform for exchange of knowledge (health care system, education, research, quality and safety)
- WONCA to support regions and MOs who are developing family medicine
- WONCA to lead research efforts
- WONCA to endorse clinical guidelines

### ***What do we ask WHO to prioritise?***

- To promote family medicine in countries developing/changing the health care system
- Realise a representative/contact person for primary care in every WHO regional office
- Decide on joint priorities such as workforce
- Collaborate with WONCA.

### ***Cross cutting themes raised***

#### **Workforce**

- One of the big challenges that many countries face is migration of workforce and brain drain.
- Not only does the migrating workforce face challenges (e.g., education, recognition), but also the workforce in receiving countries is challenged by the often unequal opportunities provided.

- At the same time young colleagues are fleeing abroad to train: imagine what this does to a newly-established postgraduate training programme in family medicine.
- Retention policies for the workforce are needed.
- Can the WHO mitigate the problem? And what can WONCA do to encourage this?

**Definition and boundary setting**

Some concern about expectations on PC – dual pressure from hospital offloading and social need rising: need to talk up our potential to address wider societal issues while not being overwhelmed. Need a clear definition of scope and interaction with other sectors.

**1. Member organisations**

- MOs need to engage with the political agenda (including Astana Declaration) and lobby their governments and key national agencies.
- Need to offer this based on cost savings in PC and effective care / quality improvement.
- Collaboration with governments requires investment in time. It is important for our MOs to be available / proactive and offer ideas.
- Need to articulate what we do, get messages across.
- Clear roadmap and timeline to ideal numbers of family doctors (including upskilling current workforce – each country needs a workforce strategy and speciality training.
- Provide CPD, national and local networks, conferences, standards. role models etc.
- Creation of University Departments of Family Medicine.
- Mediate with administration (government, work).
- Make FM attractive in undergraduate level (medical school)

**2. WONCA**

- Important role in giving evidence and messages to MOs (*NB some MOs have 'advocacy leaflets'*).
- Try to help to introduce MO to their local country leaders if not known (*\*good job for an intern.*
- )Can we map academic leadership in each country & link them up (for training / research agenda).
- Help with social media to improve brand and image.
- Examples from other countries to give as inspiration and evidence – also twinning to develop.
- Models of curriculum, standards, evidence all important.
- Do a high-level meeting summit– a global cumbre (summit).
- Marketing and communication, to sell better what we do .

**3. WHO**

- WHO should follow up and study how far their MOs comply with WHO recommendations to make them change.
- PC technical persons/desks are lacking in some country offices – please remediate.
- introduce WONCA to countries. This gives WONCA some authority to help – better than others.
- WHO should advise its policy makers to seek advice from WONCA or its MOs.
- There is plenty of evidence, please consider the evidence generated from countries where family medicine is well established or where primary health care is well implemented.