Highlights of FIP activities
December 2016 - now

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Introduction to FIP

*International Pharmaceutical Federation*

- Founded in 1912
- NGO in official relations with WHO
- Representing over 4 million pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists from around the world
- Gathering:
  - 139 national associations of pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists (in blue on the map)
  - 156 schools of pharmacy
  - 3900 individuals gathered in:
    - 8 (practice) sections
    - 9 (sciences) special interest groups
Medicine shortage

FIP Report

• May 2017: Reporting medicines shortages: Models and tactical options
  • Presented to the 70th World Health Assembly (WHA)
  • In many countries (such as France, USA and the Netherlands), pharmacists play a key role in developing effective reporting systems that are used to inform other stakeholders (including governments) and assist all healthcare professionals in finding solutions to shortages affecting their patients.

• Objectives:
  • To guide the development/improvement of a reporting system through best practices sharing
  • To support the WHO and the implementation of WHA Resolution 69.25 “Addressing the global shortage of medicines and vaccines” (points 1(f) and 3(3))

Pharmacy practice

*FIP Reports at www.fip.org/publications*

- Pharmacy as a gateway to care: Helping people towards better health (incl. self-care) (April 2017)

- Technicians and pharmacy support workforce cadres working with pharmacists (Jan 2017)

- Medicines information: Strategic development (Jan 2017)
Pharmacists’ education and workforce

Outcomes of Global Conference on Education

- Nov 2016: Global Conference on Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences Education, Nanjing, China:
  - 600 participants, 42 countries
  - Presented the official side event at 70th WHA on “Promoting intersectoral and coordinated actions to further invest in health and social workforce: towards achieving the 2030 Agenda”
  - Summary of all outcomes: www.fip.org/nanjing2016/key_outcomes
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- Education in the context of workforce development as a pillar for health system strengthening
Coming up

• Congresses:
  • September 2017: FIP annual congress in Seoul, Korea
  • WHO speaking at:
    • joint FIP-WHO session: Schools of International Non-proprietary Names (INN) – shared challenges and successes
    • Substandard and Falsified (SF) medical products: Safeguarding the supply chain, protecting people
Coming up

• Collection of data and analysis through reports on:
  • The role of pharmacists in supply chain management (end 2017)
  • Online global pharmacy observatory (end 2017)
  • Global trends report on community and hospital pharmacy (Sept 2017)
  • Women and responsible use of medicines (2018)
  • Pharmacists and harm reduction strategies (2018)

• Statements (Sept 2017):
  • Antimicrobial resistance
  • Medicines and Information
  • Pharmacist in Disaster Management
  • Pharmacist Supporting self-care
All published reports are available at: www.fip.org (under publication)

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