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Hong Kong

Hong Kong College of Family Physicians



HKCFP's 10 episodes of TV programme, 'My Family Doctor 2017', produced by Radio Television Hong Kong, in collaboration with the Primary Care Office, Department of Health, has been broadcast since 13 March 2017.

We have a video clip to tell the public about World Family Doctor Day on 19 May, and the role of family doctor for the community and family. During the weeks of World Family Doctors Day, the video clip will be showing in the MTR stations, buses, and some of the outdoor screens in the famous areas in Hong Kong. *Photo shows HK's famous TV artist Mr Wong Hei, and our College's Past President, Dr Stephen Foo.*



The video clip with English subtitle is available [here](https://youtu.be/7YxeE5fYfAw) <https://youtu.be/7YxeE5fYfAw>

A series of three episodes of live radio programmes is arranged on three consecutive Fridays, on 5, 12, and 19 May 2017, with the theme of the "Past, Present and Future of Hong Kong College of Family Physicians", to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of HKCFP and promote the concept of Family Medicine. The programme on 19 May 2017, which is on WFDD, will have Prof Donald Li (in photo below on FDD), President Elect of WONCA, and Dr Angus Chan, President of HKCFP, as our speakers. The programme can be accessed by public to review at <http://www.rthk.hk/radio/radio1/programme/healthpedia>



Other activities are:

To celebrate our 40th anniversary this year, we have series of 'Four Seasons Health Talks' to the public. An interview article with HKCFP representatives Will be published in the local Newspaper "Headline Daily" on 19 May. Our close partner, Primary Care Office of Department of Health (PCO), will also have activities to promote WFDD. Primary Care Office of Department of Health has a 'Thank You Doc!' Campaign, to collect photos from public to show their gratitude to their family doctor.

Caribbean

Caribbean College Of Family Physicians- Jamaica Chapter

Every three years members of the Caribbean College of Family Physicians (CCFP) are recertified by the College and awarded appropriate certificates of achievement based



¹ In order of receipt

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on their amassing a minimum of one hundred and fifty (150) credits over that period of time.

On May 7, 2017 one such ceremony was held by the Jamaica Chapter of CCFP at the Talk of the Town, Pegasus Hotel, New Kingston in Jamaica with the keynote Guest Speaker being Professor Allyn Walsh, past Chair of the WONCA Working Party on Education. (see photo) Family doctors (27 of them) were given awards.

Dr Walsh was also able to share in an online discussion with members of CCFP outside of Jamaica where burning issues of accreditation ,re-certification and specialization of family physicians in the Caribbean region were discussed.

Following this, a one day Conference was held in commemoration of World World Family Doctor Day, albeit prematurely. It was well attended . In keeping with this year's theme "Depression-let's talk", articles have been submitted to the Health Section of the Jamaica *Daily Gleaner* on the theme by the WFDD Committee. These are for publication on Wednesday, May 17, 2017.

Caribbean College Of Family Physicians Bahamas Chapter

<https://www.facebook.com/BAPCP/videos/1183044031840726/>



Turkey

Turkish Association of Family Physicians – TAHUD

Here is an important action on TV by TAHUD both for World Family doctor day and also the Commemoration of Ataturk, Youth and Sports Day. All executive board members of TAHUD went to Samsun where the freedom of Turkey was started in 1919, by Ataturk, and the TAHUD president, Esra, and Vasco da Gama Secretary, Berk, with many other family doctors were on TV to mention the day. That has a double importance for Turkish Family Doctors as celebrating both in 19th of May.



Bangladesh

Bangladesh Academy of Family Physicians

The Bangladesh Academy of Family Physicians has celebrated the World Family Doctors Day 2017. In 1914 we observed the day for the first time in Bangladesh. The Board of Governors of the Academy has chalked out one program outside Dhaka and second program at its head office inside Dhaka.



On 19 May 2017, Friday & weekly holiday a program was arranged in Narayanganj, the 'Cotton City' of Bangladesh, 30 km from the Capital City. Bangladesh Academy of Family Physicians and the

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Family Physicians of Narayanganj jointly observed the day. A rally was organized [Figure 1]. At the discussion meeting the City Mayor Dr Salina Hyat Ivy was the Chief Guest while the Academy President & WONCA South Asia president Prof Kanu Bala was the Special Guest. Prof Md. Nurul Islam, Ex-Vice President of WONCA MESAR presided over the meeting [Figure 2]. Prof Ainul Islam Choudhury, Prof Hafizur Rahman, Dr Md. Abdul Quayum, Dr Shahnewaz Chowdhury, Dr N. M. Abdal and others talked at the meeting. We prepared a flair for this purpose (pictured).



Photo: Members of the BAFP are attending a rally

Second phase of the programme will be organized on 26 May 2017, Last Friday of the month. There will be a rally at 8.00 am sharp. Not only the members and doctors, rather family members of the doctors and other enthusiastic local people will join and enjoy the rally. We are making local people aware about the FDD-2017, people are very much curious and they are asking us about the significance of the day. At the end of the rally we shall enjoy breakfast together. The Academy will organize a discussion on WFDD at 9.00 am. We shall talk about the WFDD. Prof Kanu Bala will deliver a lecture on 'Management of Depression in Family Practice'.



Venezuela

Sociedad Venezolana de Medicina Familiar

La sociedad venezolana de Medicina Familiar Capítulo Falcón con base a las indicaciones de WONCA para la celebración de nuestro día mundial este próximo 19 de mayo, donde nos invita reflexionar sobre el problema de la DEPRESIÓN.



Santa Ana de Coro Falcón Venezuela 19 de mayo 2017

Cómo hacer cuando la
DEPRESIÓN se
convierte en el rostro
de un país

Día Mundial del Médico Familiar
SOVEMEFA Capítulo Falcón
Postgrado de Medicina Familiar UNEFM

Hemos decidido abordar este tema que trasciende las fronteras y que hoy sin duda es de gran impacto en el país, ya que producto de un ambiente de polarización política, la sociedad vive en constante incertidumbre, y en los últimos años hemos experimentado una crisis económica que ha llegado al límite de ser decretada por algunos sectores como crisis humanitaria, con el índice de inflación más alto del mundo, desabastecimiento de distintos rubros alimenticios, falta de medicamentos

en más de un 65% y un sistema de salud fragmentado e insuficiente.

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De allí que, la sociedad venezolana a diario se ve en la imperiosa necesidad de sopesar entre la compra de medicamento o la satisfacción de necesidades básicas como la alimentación, un alarmante éxodo de pobladores a distintos países del mundo sobre todo gente joven altamente calificada, familias fragmentadas, así como el aumento del índice delictivo que le quita la vida a una parte importante de la población. Por otro lado, la posibilidad de recreación distracción o cualquier actividad que ayude a la salud mental de los venezolanos es casi imposible producto de una economía crítica.

Lo anteriormente expuesto son algunas de las características que definen la condición de vida de gran parte de los venezolanos, sin embargo también se ha expresado que pese a esto somos uno de los países más felices del mundo quizás sea por una capacidad innata de Resiliencia.



En este sentido pretendemos desarrollar el tema de la depresión a través de estrategias a seguir para mejorar la salud mental fortaleciendo esta capacidad. Para esto contamos con la invitación de destacados expertos en la materia, propiciando un diálogo participativo con los médicos familiares de la región así como con los residentes del postgrado de medicina familiar de la Universidad Nacional Experimental Francisco de Miranda de Coro Estado Falcón.

Sin duda la atención primaria debe fortalecer su capacidad de atención a este problema, que alcanza cifras alarmantes que repercuten en nuestra cotidianidad. Anhelamos que nuestros agremiados disfruten una actividad que nos haga crecer en lo clínico, pero al mismo momento en ese carácter humanístico que nos identifica.

Un gran abrazo en la distancia a todos los colegas en nuestro día

The Venezuelan Society of Family Medicine Capítulo Falcon marked World Family Doctor Day reflecting on the problem of DEPRESSION.

This is a particularly important subject taking into account the current economic and humanitarian crisis the country is facing. Every day, people in Venezuela have to make extremely difficult decisions, such as weighing between buying medication they need or buying food. Furthermore, families are getting fragmented either due to the emigration of highly qualified young people or because of murder due to the alarming increase of crime rate.

Attempting to promote an activity that would cater to the mental health of people in Venezuela is nearly impossible due to the current economic restrictions. Yet, despite this dreadful setting, it is said that people in Venezuela are one of the happiest in the world – this is perhaps because of their innate capacity for RESILIENCE.

Therefore, we intend to develop the theme of depression and share strategies to improve mental health and strengthening mental well being. For this purpose, we have invited experts in this field and promoted a discussion with family doctors of the region that also included family medicine residents from the postgraduate course of the Universidad Nacional Experimental Francisco de Miranda de Coro Estado Falcón.

We are sure that Primary Care must strengthen its capacity to cater to this problem, as it reaches alarming figures and has a direct impact in our daily lives. We hope that we are able to provide our

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members with an activity that not only promotes the development of the clinical competences, but at the same time strengthens the humanitarian traits that make us up as healthcare professionals.

China

Chinese Medical Association Society of General Practice

The "5.19 World Family Doctor Day" academic conference and celebration were successfully held on May 18th, 2017. The conference was held by the School of General Practice Capital Medical University, General Practice Branch Beijing Medical Association and the General Medical Branch Chinese Medical Association. The theme of this year's event was "team development, tempered forward". More than 400 people participated in the event. They were from three medical universities and colleges and from more than 40 general hospitals and community health service centers in Beijing.

The event includes two parts: academic reports and cultural activities. The topic of this year's academic reports includes medical reform and family medicine, depression in general practice and the management of COPD and asthma in general practice.

Professor Li Zhanjiang, the vice Dean of Beijing Anding Hospital Affiliated to Capital Medical University, gave the report entitled "Depression in General Practice", which promoted the theme of this year's "5.19 World Family Doctor Day" – depression. His report will make more family doctors and general practitioners pay attention to this important health problem in community.

Self-directed skit, chorus and dance were performed during the cultural activities. The performance was all given by GP staffs and students. The performance put the event atmosphere into a climax.

It is hoped that through the theme of this year's celebration, it will allow more and more people to share the joy of "World Family Doctor's Day", explore the further development of general practice, establish interaction and communication, strengthen the understanding and cooperation, and promote the development of general practice in China.

Cross Straits Medical Association

World Family Doctor Day activity was held with the theme of "I have a date with my family doctor", hosted by Shanghai Medical Association, the Society of General Practice Shanghai Medical Association and Shanghai Center for Health Promotion, and organized by Putuo District Changfeng Community Healthcare Center.



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The purpose was to present the professional work of the family doctor, highlighting the important role of family doctor in the healthcare system; acknowledging the professionalism and commitments to community health services; carrying forward the spirit of addressing and guarding health at the grass root level; promoting the construction of appropriate health culture; and building a harmonious and beautiful environment for community health service.

The activities integrated academic, artistic, popular science and humanities. After the residents' performance of fitness dance, the activity officially commenced .

Prof Donald Li, WONCA president elect delivered a video message - he believed that the high standard of practice of Shanghai family doctors could provide the reference point for national primary care, and hoped that the GPs could demonstrate their practice experience through the WONCA platform.

Photo: Charity Clinics in Weifang Community Health Center



The Society of General Practice Shanghai Medical Association issued a souvenir first day (stamp) cover on the theme of "family doctor". Dr Jiang Sunfang, Chairwoman of the Society of General Practice Shanghai Medical Association, Professor Zhu Shanzhu, the Member-at-large WONCA Asia Pacific region council and chair of Cross Straits Medical Exchange General Practice Association and Professor Xu Jianguang, Chair of the Shanghai Medical Association posted the souvenir letter to the Family Doctors in Shanghai, WONCA, and the members of the Society of General Practice.

Other activities:

- family doctor Zhou Ting demonstrated on-site first aid for community residents
- a poetry with music performance on the topic of family doctor.
- 19 parallel sessions were held and included popular science lectures, academic fora, continuing education, medical consultations, and on-site signing service by family doctors, walking, bone densitometry, and blood pressure.
- Prof Shanzhu Zhu, gave a lecture on "College - Hospital - Community cooperation, enhancing the ability of GPs".



These activities will play an important role in publicizing and promoting the general practitioner and the hierarchical medical system in Shanghai.

Egypt

Egyptian Family Medicine association (EFMA)

A scientific day was conducted with A WHO representative, Head of the primary health sector in the ministry of health & population and specialized federation in health system improvement NGO. It had many lectures.



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It had started with welcoming the attendances and congratulating the family physicians for their day by Prof Taghreed (pictured). Egypt's Family Health Model, Bridging the Gap to Good Practice session was the first session by Dr Magdy Bakr (WHO rep) followed by the Experience in integration of Mental health in PHC by Dr Mona Elnaka (Head of PHC sector in MOHP). A special session about depression in family practice & how to fight it's stigma was presented by Dr Nagwa Nashat.

Finally the New social health insurance law session was done by Prof Wagida Anwar.(Head of SFHSII). Final closure & debriefing was done by Prof Taghreed Farahat (EFMA chair) Nagwa Nashat (Al razi chair) speaking at right.



Puerto Rico

Nuestro trabajo merece "reconocimiento y celebración", de acuerdo; pero también es una muy buena oportunidad para mencionar que somos parte de un equipo, muchas veces invisible, que hace posible ese trabajo...

Salir a cambiar el mundo desde nuestros lugares y nuestras circunstancias propias, haciendo lo mejor que podemos, MEDICINA INTEGRAL para personas y familias...

Con mucho orgullo:
Feliz día del Médico Familiar colegas!



Ecuador

Pakistan

College of Family Medicine Pakistan

The College celebrated "World Family Doctor Day" on 14th May 2017. The program was very well attended by eminent professors and faculty of the College and the members of the college. The College awarded the *Excellence in Family Medicine* to Dr Ross Masood, Dr Aziz Khan Tank for their dedication and life time services for Family medicine. Prof Riaz Qureshi, who was awarded *Excellence in Family Medicine* last year, personally received his award this year. The "*Friend of Family Medicine*" awards were also presented.



Dr Shehla Naseem (pictured) the Secretary General of the College welcomed all participants and remarked that the day's attendance made her feel proud to be amongst the eminent constellation of such prominent Professors, academia and family physicians. She thanked her colleagues and seniors for voluntarily supporting the college and its educational programs.

A motivational talk on education was given by Prof Samad Shera. He elaborated the importance of education and the teachers, and how this relationship affects the capacity and stature of the students. His address was followed by a keynote lecture on *Depression* by Prof Iqbal Afridi in keeping with the

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theme for World Family Doctor Day. His lecture was thought provoking and extremely relevant to our lives.

Prof Zaman Shaikh the program director of “fighting diabetes”, the certificate course for management of diabetes, launched yet another certificate program on “Endocrine disorders & metabolic bone disease”. He also gave precious tips to family Physicians and attending doctors for managing diabetes in Ramadan.



Prof Riaz Qureshi in his talk underlined the importance of CME for family physicians.

Certificates were awarded to people successfully attending and completing the 11th Revision Course, and people who successfully passed the second certificate course of fighting diabetes. Dr Mohammad Safdar from Multan stood first, Dr Shaista Qamar secured second position and Dr Sadaf Badiuzzaman secured the third position in the diabetes course. The position holders received their shields and certificates from Prof Abdul Samad Shera and Prof Mohammad Zaman Shaikh.

The acting chairman of College of Family Medicine Pakistan, Dr Mohammad Ameen Kharadi presented the vote of thanks.

Australia

Royal Australian College of General Practitioners

General practitioners are at the forefront of quality primary healthcare delivery for all Australians. GPs are experts in prevention, diagnosis and systematic management of complex medical conditions including depression.

In recognition of the important work carried out by GPs nationwide in particular related to depression, the RACGP is again celebrating [World Family Doctor Day](#) on Friday 19 May.

Join the RACGP celebrations on social media and in your practice to help us raise awareness of the important work you and your colleagues do in diagnosing depression.

Depression is an
illness that can happen
to anybody.
#LetsTalk

19 May 2017 #WFDD2017



The RACGP is asking GPs to share a photo of themselves holding up a statistic about depression on Twitter and Facebook with the hashtag #LetsTalk **and** #WFDD2017. All GPs can get involved:

- Display the RACGP World Family Doctor Day poster in your practice for all your patients to see (download below).
- Use the #LetsTalk poster to highlight the role you play as a GP in treating depression (download below). Upload your pictures to Twitter and Facebook using the hashtag #WFDD2017 and / or #LetsTalk. You can also tag the RACGP in your tweets by mentioning our handle [@RACGP](#).

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Taiwan

Chinese Taipei (Taiwan) Association of Family Medicine (TAFM)



For more information on Taiwan's activities [see feature in WONCA News May 2017](#)

On May 14, The Taiwan Association of Family Medicine held a Family Doctor Day function, presided over by WONCA Asia Pacific region president, Professor Meng-Chih Lee (pictured) at Mayor's Residence Art Salon in Taipei City.

The program included a mini-concert performed by our colleagues, awarding of outstanding family doctors as well as winners of the solicited tributes paying to family doctors. There has over one hundred fellow members and audience members to mark our celebration.



We also had an outdoor tea break and three booths for health education for people.

USA

American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)

To celebrate all AAFP members on this day, the AAFP will recognize the day and connect with WONCA's suggested theme of depression. Promotional activities:

Our World Family Doctor Day videos – [all videos](#)

Doug Henley CEO AAFP greetings.

<http://www.aafp.org/patient-care/global-health/wfdd-videos/wfdd-10.html>



Web Page- The web page includes a selected group of AAFP resources on mental health and

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depression that family physicians can use when caring for their patients.

Email-The email will wish them a Happy World Family Doctor Day and will highlight the theme (depression). The email will link to the new landing page where the depression resources will be included.

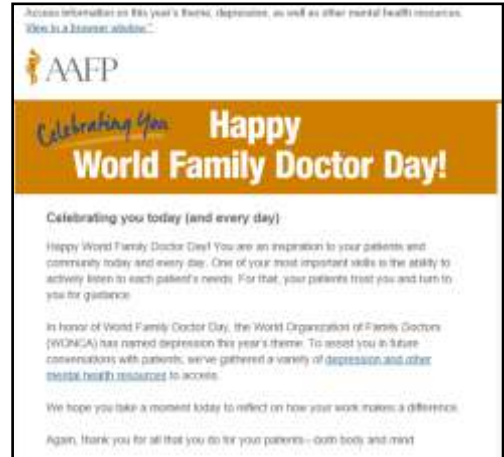
Social Media- Messages will be posted on the AAFP's Twitter and Facebook accounts. The posts will link to the campaign web page. <http://www.aafp.org/patient-care/public-health/depression-mental-health.html>

Facebook Post

Happy World Family Doctor Day! In honor of this day, the World Organization of Family Doctors (WONCA) has named depression this year's theme. To assist you in future conversations with patients, we've gathered a variety of depression and other mental health resources to access: Take a moment today to reflect on how your work makes a difference. The AAFP thanks you for all that you do for your patients—both body and mind.

Twitter Posts

- Happy World Family Doctor Day! Take a moment today to reflect on how your work makes a difference.
- Happy World Family Doctor Day! We thank you for all that you do for your patients—both body and mind.



Philippines

Philippine Academy of Family Physicians (PAFP)

World Family Doctors day 2017 moving forward and embracing family-focused care

The Philippine Academy of Family Physicians (PAFP) advocate wellness through its project Kalusugan ng Pamilya mo, aalagaan ko (We care for the health of your family). During the World Family Doctor's Day celebration, the following were launched: Family health booklet on wellness disseminated to the various families and the partnership with the FitFil movement on fitness program.



Photo: school initiative

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The PAFP also supported the School programs environmental sanitation projects, conducted lay fora on Family wellness, nutrition and safe water and sanitation. Dr Eva Irene Maglonzo, the president (picture in jogging attire) also started partnerships with various local government units.



Thailand

General Practitioners/Family Physicians Association, Thailand

The General Practitioners/Family Physicians Association, Thailand and the Royal College of Family Physician of Thailand hosted a seminar to celebrate World Family Doctor Day under the topic “Family doctors and the revolution of Thai Health System”, with 150 physicians joining in this activity. (pictured)



In this seminar, Dr Rutchadaporn Seela, outstanding family physician, with an award of excellence in 2015, shared her inspiration and experience from the work in the rural North East Community of Thailand. A representative from the Ministry of Public Health of Thailand has also joined in this seminar together with Director of the General Practitioners/Family Physician of Thailand and Vice President of the Royal College of Family Physician of Thailand. As the Ministry of Public Health is moving ahead implementing primary care cluster across the country, the roles of family doctors and their team in Thailand is prominent as the back bone of Thai Health Care system.

The seminar was concluded—the means of practice is the key factor for success “Family doctors use their heart to understand and heal the soul of their patients.”

The General Practitioners/Family Physicians Association, Thailand and the Royal College of Family Physician of Thailand had also developed a World Family Doctor Day poster/backdrop specifically for this event. The poster express the mission to collaborate with the ministry of public health to strengthen the network of family doctors and primary care practice in order to provide services and improve health of all population in Thailand. The ultimate goal is to improve the quality of life of people across their life span.



Moreover, to celebrate World Family Doctor Day, the Society of Family Physicians of Thailand’s group

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of young family physicians, had an invitation to collaborate and invited family doctors to share their story of inspiration and memory towards their work via social media –Facebook, with #Thaifamily doctor. More than 50 stories were shared via social media during this time of celebration.

Also, a logo to celebrate the love to family doctors has been developed and people were encouraged to post it as a profile photo and share in social media.



Morocco

National Collective of Moroccan General Practitioners

In Morocco they engaged in family physical awareness and distributed white flowers to family doctors.



Photos: groups in Rabat



Republic of Srpska

Association of Family Doctors In Republika Srpska

There Is No Health Without Mental Health

In the Republik of Srpska, the commemoration World Family Doctor Day was held in Zvornik town . Under the motto there is “No health without mental health”, we highlighted the importance of this disease - both the medical and social aspects. At the symposium, which we organised, we presented new guidelines for treatment and indicated the role of a family medicine doctor. Also, we developed a questionnaire for mass screening of the population.



Photo: Goran Birčaković, President of Family Medicine Department, Zvornik and Draško Kuprešak, president of Association of Family Doctors In Republika Srpska



Portugal

Portuguese Association of General Practitioners

In Portugal, World Family Doctor Day 2017 was celebrated under the motto “Winning against a Sedentary Lifestyle. Goodbye Depression!”. In over 75 different locations throughout the country, several hundred family doctors and Family Medicine residents developed a series of activities either inside their health services/units or in a community context.



These awareness activities included such endeavours as popular communal games, fitness, Yoga, Cross-fit and Tai-chi classes, painting workshops for children, celebration walks, conferences on topics like a balanced diet or the adequate level of exercise for several types of chronic patients and age groups and many others.

In addition, the Portuguese Association of General and Family Medicine (APMGF) organized an official commemorative program in the island of Madeira, meeting with regional health authorities,

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visiting local health centres and joining some of the health professionals that took to the streets to explain to the population the importance of avoiding a sedentary lifestyle and the risks associated with the development of depression.

The media coverage of WFDD in Portugal was excellent. One national TV channel broadcast a story based on the daily routine of family doctors, after spending the previous 24 hours following two colleagues. A vast number of interviews were given by APMGF's representatives for national/regional newspapers and radios and the president of APMGF, Rui Nogueira, was the star guest of a widely viewed TV program in Madeira, where he had the opportunity to identify the most relevant challenges for family doctors today.



Indonesia

The Association of Indonesia Family Physicians, West Java Region



"Let's talk in the group of Angklung Music"

Angklung is an Asian musical instrument made from bamboo pieces that are assembled into a unit. One unit of angklung will issue one tone when vibrated. To play one song takes some rhythmic tones. Thus one song will require some angklung with several different tones rhythmically. To ring some of these angklung tones it takes some people like a music concert group.

Family Doctor Clinic Mitra Sehati in Cinunuk, Kabupaten Bandung, West Java - Indonesia, invited patient with hypertension and diabetes to follow angklung music group held every once a week. On the World Family Doctors Day we practiced for the Ramadan social event performance at this June.

Playing angklung in a music group is a fun entertainment, they can also improve the ability to focus, train memory, increase confidence and patience. Therefore it is expected that the patient's health can be improved both physically and psychologically as well as improving togetherness with each other. This activity is one of the supporters of our holistic healthcare services as a family doctors.



Jordan

Jordan Society of Family Doctors



Qatar

Primary Health Care Corporation (PHCC)

PHCC celebrated in order to highlight the important role and contribution of family doctors in health care systems around the world. Activities included:



- holding lectures under the theme of this year "Depression" in schools collaborating with Family medicine program, they talked about how the family physicians in health centers can help and support or if required make a referral to a psychologist.
- Published unique messages related to family medicine in different online social networks (Twitter, Facebook and Instagram) over a week.
- Media Coverage in English and Arabic.
- Interviews (television and radio) talked about the responsibilities of family doctors and how we can help a person suffering from depression
- PHCC celebrated in Hayat Plaza Mall on May 18-20, 2017 with a health awareness campaign with FM program as well as the Rashid Family participation (PHCC cartoon characters that represent a typical modern and cultured Qatari family portrays the day-to-day a healthy life style) – photo below
- Family Medicine Residents Program celebrated a scientific research day (pictured below), the residents and faculty presented 10 proposals with two of them about depression; the evaluation committees from PHCC research section selected the best proposal and made an award.
- The main purpose of the participation in World Doctor Day is to highlight the role of Family Medicine Doctors, whose medical specialty is devoted to comprehensive health care for people of all ages
- To raise awareness among the community about the aims of Family Medicine, which is to provide personal, comprehensive and continuing care for the individual in the context of the family and the community.
- To inform the community that Family Doctors are the first step into everyone's health. The importance of their role is based on prevention and health promotion, since family doctors deliver a range of acute, chronic and preventive medical care services.

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• Family Doctor Day is also a chance to celebrate the progresses being made in family medicine and the special contributions of family doctors all over the world.



YouTube Video

•English:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D MplziomTTw&feature=youtu.be>

•Arabic:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X GT_eSr7qIA&feature=youtu.be

Ukraine

The Ukrainian Family Medicine Association (UFMA)

On May 18-19, 2017, the P Shupyk National Medical Academy of Postgraduate Education and the International NGO "International Association for Health of Society" held the second Scientific conference with international participation "Family Medicine current issues and its developing perspectives (in the World Family Doctor Day framework)".

A lot of representatives of the Verkhovna Rada (Parliament) of Ukraine, the Ministry of Health of Ukraine, scientists and researchers from Ukrainian Medical Universities and the NAMS Research Institutes and about 600 practical specialists from all over the country took part at the conference. The main purpose of the conference was to continue a constructive dialogue between family doctors, academics and researchers on the current state and prospects of family medicine further development in Ukraine, concerning doctors' continuous trainings, and the role of the general practitioner/ family physician in infectious and non-infectious disease prevention, and the professional associations participation in Primary Health Care, developing as the Ukrainian Health Care System foundation.

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Professor Yuriy Voronenko, the NAMS of Ukraine Academician, the P Shupyk NMAPE Rector, opened the conference. He noted the need to continue the annual conference tradition, which began in 2016; and he emphasized the role of the the Institute of Family Medicine as the main coordinator of developing Primary Health Care in Ukraine.

Photo: young scientists from Institute of family medicine

Iryna Sysoyenko, from the Verkhovna Rada (Parliament) of Ukraine highlighted the significant achievements and collaboration.



Prof Oleksandr Volosovets, noted that Ukrainian Family Medicine was developing gradually despite the difficult socio-economic situation in the country, and he added that the joint work of general practitioners /family physicians and pediatricians and other medical professionals can be successful in the development of the Ukrainian medicine.

Prof Larysa Matyukha, the President of the Ukrainian Association for Family Medicine, in her welcoming remarks noted the evidence base of Primary Health Care based on Family Medicine.

Prof Oleg Shekera, the P Shupyk NMAPE the Institute of Family Medicine Director, emphasized in his speech the importance of the Law of Ukraine "On Primary Health Care Based on Family Medicine" and the President of Ukraine Decree "On the Family Medicine Day" to raise Family Medicine prestige in Ukraine and to provide a worthy level of salaries for all health professionals in Ukraine.

India

Family Physicians' Association

The FPA Vadodara organised free health check up camp at four places on 19th May, 2017. Camp comprised:

- Free consultation by Family Physician (MBBS)
- Random blood sugar check up,
- BP Monitoring,
- BMD check up
- Urine albumin level and



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- ECG (if needed)

There was also coverage on radio TV and in print eg (picture) Talk show of Family Doctors on local Daily News paper with the headline “Family Doctors are friend, philosopher & Guide” & “Main Pillar of Health System”



New Zealand Royal New Zealand College of GPs.

World Family Doctor day – 19 May

This year's theme for World Family Doctor Day is *“A family doctor for every family”*

That got us thinking about the special and sometimes lifelong relationships family doctors have with their patients.

So to mark the day, we thought we'd ask patients what they appreciated about their family doctor. Here's what they had to say...

I like my GP because she treats me like I am me.

I like my GP because she really listens and understands.

I like my GP because she's been attending to my health needs since 2009.

It's reassuring to know that I consult the same person when it comes to my health needs.

I like my GP because he's been our family doctor since before I was born.

He knows our family, he's compassionate, understanding... and he's a silver fox.

Her eyes light up when she sees me and she makes me feel like I am the only person in the world who needs her.

I appreciate my doctor because he is professional; he listens to me and is compassionate.

I appreciate my partner's GP as he gets him to do all the things I've been nagging him to do for his health.

I like my GP for lots of reasons, but one of the key ones is that I always walk out of his office knowing more than when I walked in.