

SIG Proposal for Family Violence consultancies

The 2016 World Health Assembly global plan of action recommends:

- strengthening family violence health system leadership and governance;
- enhancing health service delivery and providers' capacity to respond to family violence (in particular against women and children);
- improving information and evidence.

WONCA is pleased to work in partnership with the World Health Organisation to assist in implementing the WHO recommended guidelines on family violence¹. Drawing on a wealth of knowledge and experience, WONCA's primary care experts from the Special Interest Group on Family Violence are available to provide a range of international consultancies, including:

Education and training: Support, guidance or codesign of delivery and evaluation of training programs on family violence for primary health care or other health care teams. Training programs need to be tailored for collaborative support for families affected by family violence by taking into consideration the national/cultural contexts and the specific services available in each country. In general, programs should focus on how to identify and respond in health care settings, to be able to help affected patients/families. To be effective, all training programs must be followed by regular updates.

Policy: Examining current country policies regarding family violence and the provision of information on different models used in different countries. Help in defining the specific roles of the local health care professions, and support and advice with mapping the roles of different professionals/agencies that care for families affected by family violence. Help promoting the implementation or improvement of policies and designing specific programs and tools for policy implementation. Continued maintenance and follow-up as well as protocols, guidelines and practical kits for use by health care teams.

Research: Identification of research priorities and funding opportunities; collaboration on design, implementation and evaluation of research projects and implementation of the accumulated evidence in practice.

We will offer a three-tiered approach for consultancy:

Level 1:

In person, face to face consultancy, including help with delivery of workshops or other training. This form of consultancy requires travel and accommodation. This includes all set fees as suggested by the WONCA Steering Committee.

Level 2:

Reduced rates can be negotiated in special circumstances, for example, for low-income countries. This will include a mix of in-person consultancy and online help.

Level 3:

We provide a secondary consultation over a negotiated period of time, that will be voluntary, dependant on the hours required. This will be an online option, with no travel or in-person consultation involved, but advice and suggestions will be offered via email and skype.

Panel of primary care family violence experts in health care:

Prof Kelsey Hegarty, Australia Family Doctor who holds the research Chair of Family Violence Prevention at the University of Melbourne and the Royal Women's Hospital, Victoria, Australia. Co-chair of the Melbourne Research Alliance to End Violence against Women and their Children.	Dr Hagit Dascal-Weichhendler, Israel Board certified family physician, working full time as a clinician with a mixed population in Northern Israel. Chairperson of the Committee on Family Violence (FV) in Clalit Health Services, Haifa and West Galilee District. Member of the Ministry of Health Committee on FV.
Dr Raquel Bravo Gomez, Luxembourg Family physician and a member of the International Section of SemFYC (Spanish Scientific Society of Family Community Medicine). Raquel also works Freelance.	Dr Leo Pas, Belgium Research collaborator at Department of Public Health and primary Health Care, Catholic University Leuven in Belgium, and inter university center GP Training.
Dr Nena Kopcavar, Slovenia Health Center of Ljubljana, and Assistant teacher and research at the Department of Family Medicine, Medical Faculty in Slovenia.	Dr Jinan Usta, Lebanon Elected as president elect of the World Organization of Family Physicians East Mediterranean region, and Associate Professor of clinical medicine at the American University of Beirut Medical Centre and president of the Lebanese Society of Family Medicine.

<p>Associate Prof Sajaratunisah Othman, Malaysia</p> <p>Associate Professor in the Department of Primary Care Medicine, University of Malaya. Currently heading the Violence Intervention Committee (VIC) of the University Medical Centre.</p>	<p>Dr Omneya Ezzat Elsherif, Egypt</p> <p>Egypt MRCGP [INT] FM Accreditation Team Coordinator and a board member of the Egyptian Family Association.</p>
<p>Dr Nina Monteiro, Portugal</p> <p>Nina became a Family Doctor in 2015 and currently works on a Health Center in Oporto. She is part of the VdGM Family Violence group and she collaborates with the Portuguese Association of Family Medicine at its department of residents and young family doctors and helping coordinate its Women's Health Group.</p>	<p>Dr Carmen Fernández-Alonso, Spain</p> <p>Carmen is currently a freelancer.</p> <p>Gerencia Regional de Salud de Castilla y Leon. Valladolid, Spain. Servicio de Prgramas Asistenciales.</p>