

The beginning of 2020 found us in full swing of organising the activities that were to take place within the now postponed "Ibero-Americana Summit of Family Medicine", in Puerto Rico. Until the beginning of March, the YDM meetings aimed at meeting the members of the Movement, and the happy incorporation of a new country to the team, Puerto Rico itself.

But circumstances changed rapidly because of COVID19. And the energy changed suddenly, anxiety invaded us. The concern for the health of colleagues on the other side of the world grew, at the same time as the uncertainty of knowing when it would be our time to face it.

Today, Waynakay young doctors are united despite distance, supporting each other much of the time. Several members of the Movement have joined the CIMF ad hoc COVID19 working group in order to develop local tools that allow us to organise the large volume of information that arrives minute by minute to guide our work.

We have also participated in different virtual meetings, webinars and other similar encounters. We are working hard spreading messages, reaching all people with the greatest possible inclusion, on how to care. To do this, we have started a campaign to translate the message #stayathome into native Latin American languages and we will shortly do a publication on this. Pictured are at left. María Belén Giménez Reyes (Paraguay) and Cassandra Renault Pisco (Brazil). We remain active, with ups and downs in our energies, but above all, supporting the urgent need to take good care of ourselves and also take care of our own people and the entire community.



We believe that primary health care needs to stay strong, today, more than ever. But all things considered, we must demand that we be cared for in a comprehensive way, just as we believe that we must care for our peoples.

We deeply regret the lives of colleagues who have been lost due to this contingency. We strongly support all the health workers who are doing their best, so that we can get out of this together.

We embrace, at a distance, the daily efforts made all over the world.
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