

Name of Member Organisation	Foundation for Family Medicine Educators, Inc.
Year of establishment	1986
Number of physician members	150
Total annual budget (US dollars)	\$ 1,000
Name of any other primary care organisations and relationship to your organisation	Recognized as the academic arm of the Philippine Academy of Family Physicians
Population of your country	80M
No of total physicians	130,000 licensed but 70,000 are actively practicing
Percentage of General Practitioners among total physicians	32% of the total physicians are practicing GPs (WHO data) approximately 4,500 are the members of PAFP who are presumably practicing family physicians
Do patients have to see a general practitioner to seek healthcare?	Based on the current data of WHO, primary care services in 2007 is 43% of existing health facilities in the country (47.5% government subsidized; 45.6% are private). But most of the government facilities are not manned by family physicians. No data how many are family physicians. No data on the % utilization of both government and private primary care facilities. (Health Systems in Transition Vol 1 No2 2011 WHO)

What is government/Ministry of Health's support for your organisation?	The Universal Health Care was recently passed as landmark law. The Department of Health (DOH) designated our mother organization, Philippine Academy of Family Physicians, as their partner in training competent primary care physicians. As the academic arm of the PAFP, we are also designated to provide faculty development programs for trainers in the different DOH hospitals.
What are the compelling/demanding healthcare needs/issues in your country?	Strong primary care to better implement the Universal Health Care. We need to work with the government to meet their needs for having doctors trained to provide quality primary care services.
Initiative/activities your organisation is currently working on.	We have implemented an Academic Fellowship Program in Medical Education (AFPME) for almost 15 Department of Health (DOH) hospitals' trainers in Family and Community Medicine Residency Training.
Achievement/successes your organisation has made since the last Council meeting.	We have graduated 25 students in the AFPME and awarded Fellows in Medical Education to work on training programs of primary care physicians for UHC.



Difficulties/problems your organisation is facing.	Dealing with the different stakeholders regarding the project with the Department of Health. Conflict of interests sometimes prevail in advancing the activities, this includes the lack of confidence from the administration about family medicine, incorrect perception of other health practitioners on the capacity of family physicians on public health management, etc.
Any other matters	
Permission to publish on web?	We will submit written paper on this for publication in the WONCA website.
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