



FIP Webinars

Organized by the Community Pharmacy Section

Dear Colleagues,

Join us for four webinars on Pharmacists improving Maternal, Newborn and Child Health, organized by FIP's – Community Pharmacy Section.

The lives of millions of people worldwide have improved due to concerted efforts – at the global, regional, national and local levels – to achieve the eight United Nation's *Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)*. Recent statistics show that with many MDG targets already met – including reducing poverty, increasing access to clean drinking water, improving the lives of slum dwellers, and achieving gender parity in primary schools – many more targets are within reach by the end of 2015. However, much unfinished business remains.

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In September 2011 the FIP Council approved a reference paper on this subject and a working group was set up in December 2011 with the purpose of generating a policy document, which addresses how pharmacists contribute to the United Nations' Millennium Development Goals, particularly towards achieving Goal 4, reducing child mortality, and Goal 5, improving maternal health. The reference paper is the primary foundation for the *FIP Statement of Policy – The Effective Utilization of Pharmacists in Improving Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (MNCH) (2013, Dublin)*. This policy is complemented by another *FIP policy, “Quality of Medicines for Children”,* adopted in Basel in 2008.

Maternal, newborn and child health is a pressing global health issue that has the potential to affect many generations in the future. Pharmacists have the knowledge, skills and vast opportunities around the world to play a role in facilitating or providing products and services that address these priorities. Evidence of the contribution of pharmacists in improving Maternal, Newborn and Child Health has been gathered in many countries.

In this context, pharmacy education and the pharmacist's scope of practice should enable pharmacists to support maternal and child health.



CERTIFICATION

The Community Pharmacy Section of FIP will send a personalized electronic certification to those pharmacists who successfully answer a test of 7 multiple choice questions after each webinar.

TIMING

The four webinars will take place from 11 am - 12 pm (noon), Central European Time. Find your local time [here](#)

While there is great benefit in attending all four webinars live, each one is able to stand alone as a subject, so feel free to attend live as many as you can. *Please note FIP members will have the opportunity to listen to recordings of the webinars they have missed. With this option, FIP members will also have the chance to obtain certification after each webinar.*

Chair:



Mr Jaime Acosta-Gómez,
*Community Pharmacist,
CPS-FIP Executive
Committee member
(Madrid, Spain)*



Speaker:
Dr Régis Vaillancourt,
*President of “Pharmaciens
Sans Frontières – Canada*

Name: Dr Régis Vaillancourt
Affiliation: Director of Pharmacy, Children’s Hospital
of Eastern Ontario (Canada)
Bio: Dr Régis Vaillancourt is currently the
Director of Pharmacy at the Children’s
Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO).

Dr Vaillancourt is currently:
- President of Pharmacists without Borders - Canada
- Surveyor for Accreditation Canada since 2002
- Elected member of the council of the Ontario
College of Pharmacy, since 2012

His past professional implications are:
- President of the Canadian Society of Hospital
Pharmacists in 2004-2005
- President of the FIP Military and Emergency
Pharmacy section from 2004-2008
- Associate editor of the Canadian Journal of
Hospital Pharmacy, from 2002 to 2012
- Vice president, International Pharmaceutical
Federation, from Sept 2008 to Oct 2012

In order to maintain well-rounded clinical pharmacy
skills, Dr Vaillancourt provides clinical pediatric
pharmacy support to Palliative services at CHEO and
works in a retail pharmacy one evening a week.



Speaker:
Mrs Palesa Santho, *Manager of
ARV Pharmaceutical Services,
Free State Department of
Health (South Africa).*

Name: Mrs Palesa Santho
Affiliation: Manager of ARV Pharmaceutical Services,
Free State Department of Health (South
Africa)
Bio: Mrs Palesa Santho is currently Manager
of ARV Pharmaceutical Services at the
Free State Department of Health and
a locum pharmacist at Checmed Retail
Pharmacy and formerly held the position
of Research Pharmacist at PAREXEL.

Palesa has chaired Professional bodies, including
the South African Association for Hospital and
Institutional Pharmacists (Free State branch),
served as a Member of the South African Pharmacy
Council and South African Nursing Council and,
in addition, wrote and published “Antiretroviral
Therapy – some practical pointers” in the South
African Pharmaceutical Journal.

1 BACKGROUND OF MATERNAL, NEWBORN AND CHILD HEALTH

18 FEBRUARY 2015

11 am - 12 pm (noon), Central European Time

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TOPICS:

- Maternal, Newborn and Child Health: strategy and work plans.
- Millennium Development Goals.
- Goal 4, reducing child mortality.
- Goal 5, improving maternal health.
- Delivering and Implementing a Transformative Post-2015 Development Agenda (UN)



2 PRE-PREGNANCY, PREGNANCY AND BIRTH STAGE HEALTH

25 FEBRUARY 2015

11 am - 12 pm (noon), Central European Time

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TOPICS:

- Contraception
- Vitamins and nutritional supplements.
- Cessation of alcohol and nicotine use.
- Potential teratogenic medicines.
- Mother to child disease transmission.
- Malaria and pregnant women.
- Tetanus protection





Speaker:
Dr Rebekah Moles,
University of Sydney

Name: Dr Rebekah Moles
Affiliation: Senior Lecturer. The Faculty of Pharmacy, The University of Sydney
Bio: Dr Rebekah Moles is a Senior Lecturer that works at The Faculty of Pharmacy, The University of Sydney. Rebekah's research focusses on the Quality Use of Medicines in Children. Rebekah is also the Assistant Secretary of the Hospital Pharmacy Section of FIP and was on the FIP working group that prepared a report on the role of pharmacists regarding Maternal, Neonatal and Child Health.



Speaker:
Mrs Sakhile Dube-Mwedzi,
Pharmaceutical Business & Regulatory Affairs Consultant

Name: Mrs Sakhile Dube-Mwedzi
Affiliation: Past-President of the Pharmaceutical Society of Zimbabwe
Bio: A qualified pharmacist for more than 15years, Sakhile Dube-Mwedzi has worked in and with all sectors of pharmacy. Her career started in hospital practice in the small town of Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, passed through community pharmacy, then developed into regulatory specialisation which allowed interactions with the manufacturing industry and the world of research pharmacy.

Having served as President of the Pharmaceutical Society of Zimbabwe, and a member of the national Public Health Advisory Board, Sakhile is passionate about pharmacy and its contribution to healthcare.

3 POSTNATAL AND INFANCY HEALTH

4 MARCH 2015

11 am - 12 pm (noon), Central European Time

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TOPICS:

- a. Breast feeding: importance, support and good practices.
How to replace breast feeding, exclusively when needed.
- b. Sepsis at birth, and venous thromboembolism.
- c. Safe medication practices.
- d. Immunization: Comprehensive vaccination, documentation of vaccination and vaccine administration (where appropriate)
- e. Vitamin A supplementation.



4 CHILDHOOD HEALTH

11 MARCH 2015

11 am - 12 pm (noon), Central European Time

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TOPICS:

- a. Pneumonia
- b. Diarrhoea
- c. Drinking water
- d. Insecticides



BENEFITS OF ATTENDING THE WEBINARS

At the end of the course you will be able to:

- Describe the challenges associated with Maternal, Newborn and Child Health in different parts of the world.
- Discuss and describe the potential opportunities for pharmacists having a greater responsibility in MNCH, taking into account their practice responsibilities.
- Define in which aspects of Maternal, Newborn and Child Health can everyday practice of the community pharmacist have greater impact to better serve patients and communities.

Who should attend

Any community pharmacist interested in improving their impact on the health of their patients in an area as sensitive as MNCH, as well as pharmacists related to governmental and non-governmental assistance, and those whose expertise is focused in public health.

Questions and answers, and social media discussion

There will be two 15 minute rounds of questions and answers in each webinar.



Learn more about MNCH, join the discussion and ask questions on Twitter using #MNCHpharm

Instructions how to sign up

All you need to participate in the webinars is an internet connection. There is no charge to participate in the webinar. Membership in the FIP is not necessary.

Registering for the webinars is a simple process: Click on [the link](#) where you will be asked to enter your details.

Limitation of participants

Because of technical limitations, registration and participation is limited to 1,000 computer IP addresses.

MEMBERSHIP OF FIP



Though it is not required to participate in these webinars, being a member of the International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP) will bring you many benefits.

International Network

FIP is the only worldwide network of pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists that combines the broad scope of pharmacy with focused and dedicated interests of specific professional fields. FIP has nine professional Practice Sections and 10 Special Interest Groups (SIGs) for the sciences.

Individual Members have:

- Access to FIP world congresses at a significantly reduced rate (you must be an individual member of FIP for at least two years before the Congress and ALL of your membership fees must be fully paid up.)
- Access to FIP Sections and SIGs with focussed programmes and communications
- Access to world leaders in the pharmacy profession and pharmaceutical sciences
- Opportunities to meet international colleagues and exchange experiences, views and information

Development, Involvement and ACTION!

FIP creates a worldwide development and educational environment through the work of Members and from the organisation of conferences and symposia.

Individual Members will have:

- Access to continuing education programmes
- Access to FIP conferences and symposia
- Opportunities to actively participate in discussion groups, workgroups and taskforces
- Opportunities to develop projects and initiatives and actively contribute to global projects

Information

FIP has access to worldwide information on the developments in the pharmacy profession and the pharmaceutical sciences. FIP makes this information available to its members through regular publications and dedicated website pages.

Individual Members will benefit from:

- A free subscription to the biannual International Pharmacy Journal (IPJ)
- Notification and access to workshops and seminars held by Sections/SIGs
- Access to the Member's Only Section of the website, which includes abstracts and presentations from previous Congresses

Leadership

FIP provides leadership in the enhancement of the pharmaceutical profession and science by issuing policy statements, guidelines and international standards. As an NGO, FIP provides input to the world healthcare decision-making process of the World Health Organization (WHO).

Individual Members have the opportunity to:

- Comment on FIP-statements, guidelines, and standards at the FIP Assembly
- Access working groups and projects in pharmacy
- Access new international developments and trends in pharmacy
- Become executive members of Sections, Boards and other FIP decision making bodies

Solidarity

FIP and the FIP Foundation for Education and Research actively stimulates and supports the education of, and research by, pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists, especially in those areas where there is a shortage of financial means like in developing countries.

The Individual Member will be able to help FIP in supporting and stimulating education and research in those areas where they are most needed

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IN SEPTEMBER 2014, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE SECTION CONSISTS OF:

Paul Sinclair, *Australia, President*

Luís Miguel Lourenço, *Portugal, Secretary*

Dominique Jordan, *Switzerland, Immediate Past President*

Martin Astbury, *United Kingdom, Vice President*

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Warren Meek, *Canada, ExCo member*

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Manjiri Gharat, *India, ExCo member*

Rabih Hassouneh, *Lebanon, ExCo member*

Jaime Acosta Gomez, *Spain, ExCo member*

For questions related to the Community Pharmacy Section of FIP or about the webinars, please send us an e-mail to fip@pharmakon.dk, or reach us through our social media.

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