

APPENDIX 3: MIGRATION OF PHARMACIST SURVEY

To Whom It May Concern:

The International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP) is currently collecting data on the migration of pharmacists worldwide with the intention to publish an international report. It is anticipated that this data will be included in the 2006 WHO World Health Report focusing on the theme of *Human Resources for Health* alongside data relating to the global description, professional development, and training of pharmacists.

The issue surrounding the migration of highly skilled professionals in the health care fields has been widely discussed in the literature and international forums. Available data on this phenomenon has focused mainly on physicians and nurses with little published or brought to the international agenda on the migration trends of pharmacists. Your assistance to provide data is greatly appreciated and will contribute significantly to this research as well as to highlight the migration of pharmacists as an important issue on an international level.

Specifically FIP is seeking data on the following:

1. The total number of registered pharmacists in your country in 2005.
2. The total number of migrant registered pharmacists in your country in 2005.
3. The number of pharmacists with an overseas forwarding address on your register.
4. The number of pharmacists graduating per year from your country from the year 2000 - 2005.
5. The number of pharmacists that registered from abroad each year in your country from the year 1995 – 2005.
6. The number of pharmacists from abroad that applied for registration from the year 1995 – 2005.
7. The countries from which pharmacists were originally registered as a pharmacist prior to application for registration and the corresponding numbers for each country.
8. The number of pharmacists migrating from your country to another country each year from 1995 – 2005.
9. The application procedure for pharmacists from abroad to register as a pharmacist in your country.

If you have any statistics, background papers, reports or contacts that may be useful, I would be most pleased to receive them. Please let me know by the 3rd of October if you are able to contribute data to the research. All sources will be acknowledged in the final report. Data will be required by the 17th of October.

Thank you kindly for your assistance and consideration.

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