

**Intervention on provisional agenda items 13.3. Substandard and falsified medical products and 13.5. Draft global strategy on infection prevention and control**

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Honourable Chair, Distinguished Delegates,

Pharmacists are on the frontline for minimising and eliminating harm from substandard and falsified medicines, and combating antimicrobial resistance.

In collaboration with WHO, FIP developed a curriculum to support pharmacists' education and training to identify and report SF medicines through surveillance and monitoring systems, both in the physical supply chain and online; and we have also delivered joint WHO-FIP initiatives on AMS such as the Curriculum Guide for Health Workers' Education and Training on AMR.

FIP encourages Member States to leverage pharmacists' expertise and accessibility not only to combat SF medicines, but also to mitigate AMR by educating patients and supporting healthcare providers, ensuring the safe and responsible use of antimicrobials, and providing convenient and safe access to vaccinations.

Thank you.