December 2019

Dear FIP YPG member

A Letter from FIP YPG Public Relations Officer

Dear Fellow Young Pharmacists,

As the year is coming to a close, it's important to recognize many of FIP YPG's exciting achievements this year with the help of our members and support from FIP, FIP Sections, and FIP SIGs.

Some of these achievements include the following:

- Motion passed in YPG Business Meeting to include National/Regional YPGs into YPG membership to recruit new members and increase engagement
- Acceptance of 6 session proposals for FIP WC 2020 in Seville and 2 session proposals for FIP PSWC 2020 in Montreal
- Increased collaboration with IPSF, JPSA, GHWN Youth Hub, TPAYC, Asian-YPG, Indonesian-YPG, PSN-YPG

Activities:

- Lunch session proposal at the 1st FIP Regional Conference in Amman
- YPG members attendance in the WHA 2019
- YPG Leadership Development Workshop in Abu Dhabi
- First Health Hackathon at the 2nd FIP Regional Conference in Ankara

Projects:

- Global Migration Project
- FIP YPG Members Needs Assessment Survey
Publications:

- YPG report on “mHealth: use of mobile health tools in pharmacy practice”
- Joint statement with IPSF on Tobacco Cessation
- Submitted call for action to “Addressing 18 million health workforce shortages”
- Published a paper entitled “Making the profession attractive for our future and young pharmacists, the game changers for primary health care” in Journal of Pharmacy Practice and Research

Webinars:

- YPG-IPSF Benefits and Opportunities
- Digital health: where does pharmacy stand?
- Advanced role of the next generation of pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists in public health
- Celebrating three years of Nanjing Conference: How young pharmacy workforce and students can be involved
- The role of youth in achieving one of the triple billion targets of the World Health Organization

Lastly, with many qualified applicants and nominations, we are very pleased to welcome the new FIP YPG Steering Committee and Subcommittee, who will officially begin their term on 1 January 2020. For those who wish to become involved with FIP YPG, please stay tuned for updates via email and our social media pages!

It has been a pleasure and honor to serve FIP YPG as the Public Relations Officer of 2019, and I look forward to seeing the continued growth and activities to come from FIP YPG.

I wish you all Happy Holidays and a Healthy and Happy New Year!

Kind regards,
Diana Ching
YPG Public Relations Officer 2019
The Winning Team of the First Ever FIP Hackathon held at Ankara, Turkey

The inaugural International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP) Hackathon organised by FIP Young Pharmacists’ Group (YPG) in collaboration with the International Pharmaceutical Students’ Federation (IPSF) and Turkish Pharmacists Association Youth Commission (TPA-YC) supported by Pharmapod took place from 23rd to 25th October 2019 in Ankara, Turkey in conjunction with the FIP Regional Conference for the European Region. The conference embedded a theme on Delivering Primary Health Care: Pharmacists taking the leap forward.

Please read the full story here.

FIP YPG Webinar Report: The Role of Youth in achieving UHC
This is a report on a webinar organized by FIP YPG in collaboration with the Global Health Workforce Network (GHWN) Youth Hub, the Asian Young Pharmacists Group (AYPG) and the International Pharmaceutical Students’ Association (IPSF) on Tuesday 26th November 2019, 2-3PM GMT.

You can view the report via this [link](#).

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**Artificial intelligence in pharmacy and healthcare**

Non-compliance to medication is a huge stumbling block in the treatment of chronic diseases. Cigna Corp., a US-based company has recently come up with a unique solution to tackle this problem. Their product based on artificial intelligence (AI) combines data from a multitude of sources to help identify gaps such as patients missing their dose, and to provide individual-specific recommendations.

[Please read the full story here.](#)

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**FIP Publishes first FIP-EquityRx Collection 2019**

The “FIP-EquityRx Collection 2019: Inclusion for all, equity for all” is a unique compilation of global evidence, policy initiatives & opinion pieces focusing on equity in
FIP-EquityRx focuses on empowering women both within and outside of the pharmacy workforce. Furthermore, in 2020, FIP will expand the scope of its equity programme beyond gender and diversity balances — to include equity in access to care and all that it encompasses.

You can access the publication via this [link](#).

The Rise of Falsified Medicines in the Philippines and the Rest of Southeast Asia

Philippine President, Rodrigo Duterte, is famous for his notorious war on drugs and yet another drug problem seems to steal the spotlight: the war on falsified medicines, augmented by Southeast Asia’s flourishing transnational organized crime. While such type of crime is not new to Southeast Asia, and some of the crime patterns of today remain basically the same from the past, the region’s geographical proximity to leading fraudulent manufacturers such as China and Pakistan has, somehow, contributed as to why it is vulnerable to this dangerous trade, more so by cyberspace commerce that provides easier accessibility, affordability, and anonymity for both consumers and suppliers.

Please read the full story [here](#).
FIP YPG Webinar Report: Celebrating Three Years after the Nanjing Conference

This report is a summary of the webinar conducted by FIP YPG in collaboration with FIPEd and International Pharmaceutical students Federation (IPSF) on 14th November 2019, 12-1 PM GMT

You can view the report via this link.

YPG Nigeria elects new leaders at her 2019 Annual Business Meeting

The Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria- Young Pharmacists Group (PSN-YPG) held her Annual Business Meeting on 6th November, 2019 where the Executive Council for the 2019/2020 year were elected. For the year 2019, the annual conference of the Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria (PSN) during which the ABM is held took place in Kaduna state, Nigeria from 4th-9th November, 2019 and was tagged “Crocodile City 2019”.

Please read the full story here.
Assessment Survey

In May 2019, FIP YPG Steering Committee sent out a survey to all FIP YPG members to explore their needs and views on existing FIP YPG projects and activities.

A total of 298 responses to the survey were received. Analysis of complete survey responses revealed key insights into how satisfied and engaged FIP YPG members are with current projects and activities, and their future expectations.

A summary of the findings is presented in this report put together by the Project team. Please note that this document is an internal document for FIP YPG members only, and should not be externally circulated.

You can view the report via this link.

Reminder for Job Satisfaction Survey

This survey aims to assess the job satisfaction and working conditions of the young pharmacy workforce and identify gaps on support.

It only takes about 10 minutes to complete! Languages composed are English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Arabic and Bahasa Indonesia.

The survey can be completed via this link.
2nd FIP Pharmacy Practice Research Conference

Save the date for 6th-8th of July 2020 in Lausanne, Switzerland! Registration is Free!

This Conference provides a unique opportunity to present your research alongside your Supervisor(s), build your global pharmacy network and establish collaborations with other researchers internationally.

To stay informed and network, join the FIP PPR SIG Facebook group via this link.

7th FIP Pharmaceutical Sciences World Congress (PSWC2020)

The biennial conference is set to hold at Palais des congrès de Montréal Montreal, Canada from 22-27 May 2020.

The theme is "Smart therapeutics for a complex world".

The first deadline of registration is 20th February, 2020. You can register via this link.

FIP Webinar on Asthma and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

The second instalment in FIP’s series of webinars on pharmacists’ contribution in non-communicable diseases will focus on asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).

The webinar will take place on 15 January at 16:00 CET and on 16 January at 09:00 CET.

Click here to choose the date and register for the webinar.

What Happened on Social Media
About YPG

The Young Pharmacists Group (YPG) was officially established as a network of FIP in 2001, but young pharmacists have been a part of FIP for many years. The aim of the YPG is to encourage young pharmacists to get actively involved in international pharmacy and within the sections and organisation of FIP.