

The FIP Young Pharmacists Group

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The Young Pharmacists Group (YPG) was established in 2001 to meet the interests, challenges and expectations of young and recently qualified pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists (under the age of 35). The YPG's goal is to connect pharmacists and foster leadership within each of the 8 different sections focusing on pharmacy practice and 9 different special interest groups (SIGs) focusing on pharmaceutical science. Currently it has members in over 80 countries.

How to join

FIP individual members who are under 35 years of age or who graduated from pharmacy school less than five years ago automatically become members of the YPG.

An online application form and more information on FIP individual membership are available on the FIP website:
http://www.fip.org/membership?page=membership_info

FIP individual member benefits include:

- Global networking – access experts
- Access to reliable information – always stay up-to-date
- Educational opportunities – gain more knowledge
- Exchanging resources – support the pharmacy profession
- Worldwide development – involvement and action
- Discounted registration fee – access FIP congresses

However, the YPG also offers, at no additional membership cost, a range of benefits and opportunities:

- Access to all YPG projects and activities
- Eligibility to apply for the YPG Grant for Professional Innovation, the Mike How Award, the Ton Hoek Scholarship for Global Leadership and other FIP Congress Scholarships
- Dynamic programmes at the annual FIP World Congress of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences designed for young pharmacists
- Voting rights at the annual YPG Business Meeting
- Opportunities to stand for election to the YPG Steering Committee
- Access to publications, including the YPG e-newsletter, and to news emails
- Opportunities to share innovative ideas, to network internationally, and to enjoy a professional forum specifically for young pharmacists

- Facilitated incorporation into an international organisation, easing the transition from pharmacy student to professional pharmacist
- Opportunities to present your poster at FIP congresses

By being a part of the YPG, FIP members benefit from the opportunity to get involved and make a difference early on in their careers.



YPG annual congress activities

The FIP congress is the annual meeting point for pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists worldwide. During the congress, the YPG runs sessions and workshops, either independently or in collaboration with other sections. Young pharmacists are generally invited by the YPG to present on various topics.

YPG business meeting

The annual YPG Business Meeting is also held during the congress. This provides all young pharmacists with an opportunity to participate and input into the running of the YPG. The business meeting focuses on the strategic planning for the coming years' projects.



YPG social events at the congress

The YPG hosts special social events at the FIP congress each year to encourage interaction and networking for first-time attendees.

In collaboration with the FIP office, the YPG co-hosts a First Timers Reception. This provides an opportunity for first-time attendees to meet section and special interest group (SIG) members, as well as getting an overview of the functions of FIP.



YPG projects and activities

YPG has launched two new projects for the 2016-2017 year.

The YPG Mentorship program has been further developed and is being re-launched in 2017. The program will allow for selected YPG members to have mentors within their FIP Section or SIG. Mentors will provide guidance for young pharmacists to develop their professional careers.

YPG has launched a new series of professional development (PD) packets. PD packets are available to all YPG members and focus on a variety of topics meant to aid in the advancement of your pharmacy career. PD packets can be found and downloaded on the FIP website under the YPG files sharing folders.

YPG grants

The YPG currently coordinates two different grants:

1. The Young Pharmacists/ Pharmaceutical Scientists Grant for professional innovation annually recognises a young pharmacist or pharmaceutical scientist with an innovative project. This project should identify a specific problem, describe a pharmacist-driven solution, and ultimately, contribute to improving health. The project can involve any field of professional practice or pharmaceutical science.

2. The Mike How Award supports one congress attendee who has been actively involved in the development, manufacturing or regulatory aspects of pharmaceuticals. YPG collaborates with the FIP Industrial Pharmacy Section and the International Pharmacy Students' Federation (IPSF) to provide this grant to our members.

For more information on the grants, please email YPG at ypg@fip.org.

Collaboration within FIP

The YPG has been working with the FIP sections and SIGs to encourage innovative projects, initiated and ran by young pharmacists. The YPG also collaborates with the sections and SIGs on sessions for the FIP congress. To date, the FIP Health and Medicines Information Section (HaMIS), FIP Academic Pharmacy Section (AcPS), FIP Industrial Pharmacy Section (IPS), FIP Community Pharmacy Section (CPS), FIP Hospital Pharmacy Section (HPS), FIP Social and Administrative Pharmacy Section (SAPS) the FIP Clinical Biology Section (CBS) and FIPeD have engaged YPG members.

Communication with YPG

The YPG manages an email discussion group, which is open to members. The list allows young pharmacists to connect with other young pharmacists in over 80 countries through discussion of topical events. All FIP members who belong to the YPG belong to the discussion group.

The YPG also has a Facebook page, which can be accessed regardless of membership status. This platform allows for a less formal forum to better communicate and discuss professional issues. It also allows for easy sharing of photos and journal articles.



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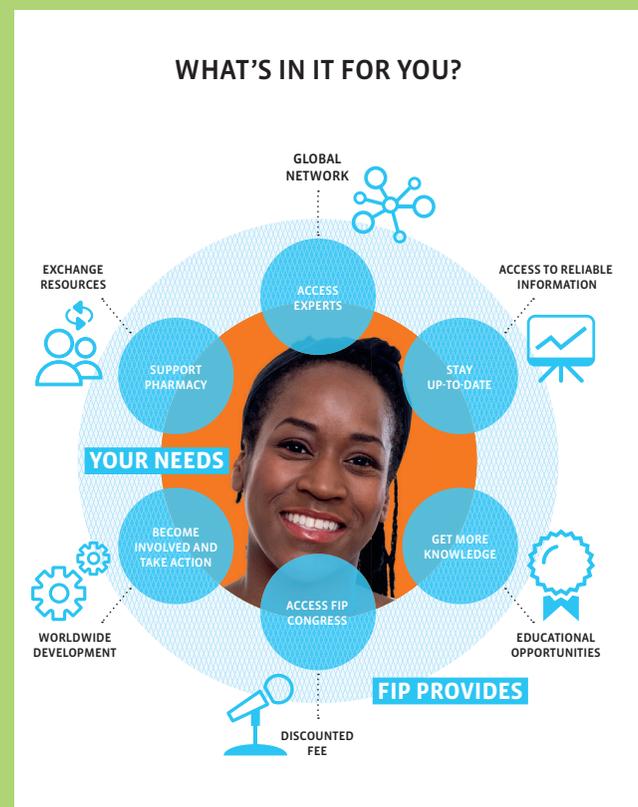
ABOUT THE INTERNATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL FEDERATION (FIP)

FIP is a worldwide federation of national pharmaceutical (professional and scientific) associations, with a mission to improve global health by advancing pharmacy practice and science to enable better discovery, development access to and safe use of appropriate, cost-effective, quality medicines worldwide.

Through its member organisations, FIP connects, represents and serves more than three million pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists around the world. FIP was founded in The Hague, the Netherlands, in 1912 and still has its central office in The Hague. Although FIP is a federation of associations, any pharmacist or pharmaceutical scientist can apply to become an individual member.

When you become an individual member of FIP, you automatically become a member of one of the pharmacy practice sections or become connected within the Board of Pharmaceutical Sciences special interest groups.

As a young pharmacist and/or new graduate, you are automatically made an individual member of the FIP Young Pharmacists Group upon becoming a FIP member. Here you have the invaluable opportunity to connect with young pharmacists from around the world with similar interests, career goals and visions for the future.



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