Wonca Europe Council Meeting Malaga 2010, October 6th

Agenda Topic Template

AGENDA TOPIC: Projects and problems for the National Society of Family Medicine in Romania

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Type of Item (Bold/Underline the Type): Information Discussion Motion

INTRODUCTION:

- 2010 is a very difficult year in Romania. We are deep in the economic crisis. Family medicine does not escape from the general crisis, more than that, it is a crisis of identity. There are decision makers who want to transform us in what we were 2-3 decades ago, I mean general practitioners without a speciality. It is not only about money, it is about the concept of primary care and the importance of health in the Romanian politics. We still have a hospital cantered health system, which means high costs and low results. We have to convince the political leaders of the national health system that primary care is the best solution for the needs/demands of medical services of the population.
- A lot of our colleagues leave Romania in other European countries.
- Romanian decision makers are constantly creating a state of pressure on us, but do not understand what the real role of primary care is. We have to convince the law makers of the national health system that primary care is the best solution for the needs of medical services for the population.
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- More guidelines for GP.
- Quality Agenda in GP`s activity
- New partnerships to develop.
- International projects
- EURACT 2011 in Romania
- We hope we can have EURIPA Forum 2011 in Romania
- We have a partnership with RCGP which is an important way to develop our projects.
- Primary care in rural regions. We have a group which is involved in a project about rural medicine, which will try to find solutions for this delicate problem.

RECOMMENDATION / CONCLUSION:

We need to have arguments regarding the importance of primary care and the family doctors as specialists.

We need to pass the crisis without losing our identity.

We want to learn from our colleagues from other countries how to bring family medicine in Romania in the right place.

We really hope that in Malaga we still be infected by the legendary communicative disease named «Wonca fever»...

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