

The World Preconference

Prague, 24-25 June 2013



Vasco da Gama Movement



Movement for Young & Future South Asia FPs



FIRST FIVE YEARS IN FAMILY PRACTICE COMMITTEE
COMITÉ SUR LES CINQ PREMIÈRES ANNÉES
DE PRATIQUE DE LA MÉDECINE FAMILIALE

A. PRECONFERENCE INFORMATION

We are very happy to welcome you in the World Preconference, which will be carried out in Prague on 24th-25th June 2013, prior to the WONCA World Conference. The event is organized jointly by the Vasco da Gama Movement, the Rajakumar Movement, the Waynakay Movement, the Spice Route and the First Five Years in Family Practice in Canada and is open to trainees and junior General Practitioners / Family Physicians (GPs/FPs), up to five years after their qualification.

The following information will help you to get an idea of what the Preconference entails.

What is the aim of the World Preconference?

The Preconference participants have the great opportunity to receive an introduction to the idea of being a GP/FP in a World context and to exchange experiences and visions. Discussions with colleagues from all over the globe will widen your perspectives and horizons and will help you to *"think globally and act locally"*.

What's the content of the Preconference?

The theme of this year's preconference is **"Care for Generations"**.

The Preconference participants will have the opportunity to:

- a) meet trainees and juniors GPs/FPs from other WONCA regions;
- b) become acquainted with several national profiles and be able to compare different primary care systems at various levels: health systems organization, status of GP/FM and vocational training programs;
- c) discuss and elaborate visions for the future of GP/FM, considering:
 - The improvement of practice, quality, teaching and research of GP/FM in all countries.
 - The development of GP/FM to meet the needs of patients in the increasingly complex and diverse world, characterized by raising demands and afflicted by inequalities and an ageing population.
 - The working conditions corresponding to the needs of the upcoming generation of GPs/FPs.

- d) understand the importance of international peer networks and be able to define aims for such networks on a national and international level.

The Preconference will conclude with two visionary speeches by Professor Richard Roberts (WONCA President) and Professor Michael Kidd (WONCA President Elect). A plenary session will follow with the presentation of all group works.

When Preconference will take place?

The Preconference starts on 24th June 2013 with registration at 9 am and will end on 25th June. After the end participants will be invited to attend a joined speech with the WONCA Working Party on Women and Family Medicine.

The registration fee for the Preconference is \$80.

Who are the preconference participants?

The preconference is open to every trainee or new GP/FP, up to 5 years after his/her qualification, who wishes to participate. However, there are 100 places available and registrations will be carried out in a first-come, first-served basis.

Where can I get further information?

Information is available online on www.wonca2013.com and will be updated regularly. Please don't hesitate to contact us for any questions by e-mail: preconference@vdgm.eu

B. PARTNERS INFORMATION

Vasco da Gama Movement

The Vasco da Gama Movement (VdGM) is the European organization for future and newly qualified GPs which aims at establishing a forum for collaboration to improve Family Medicine and empowering future generations of Family Physicians to lead the development of primary health care at a community, regional, national and international level.

Since its inception in Lisbon in 2005, links have been established with most FM associations to create a European Council of representatives. The movement has five working theme groups (Education & Training, Exchange, Research, Beyond Europe/Recruitment and Image) that constitute the pillars of its initiatives. These often work in collaboration with their equivalent WONCA Europe special interest working party. Some of the activities of the theme groups include the improvement of the quality of FM training programmes, the establishment of a network for research projects and the promotion of Rural Medicine. Moreover, the *Junior Researcher Award* has been launched recently following the movement's continuous effort to promote a new generation of FPs that combine clinical work and research. VdGM also offers the unique opportunity for trainees and juniors to spend two weeks with a FP from another country through the *Hippokrates Exchange Programme*.

Each year VdGM hosts an international meeting, known as the 'pre-conference', which takes place a day prior to the WONCA Europe conference. This offers an opportunity for the European Council and working groups to develop projects.

If you are interesting in joining one of the VdGM activities or theme groups, please do not hesitate to register on our website (www.vdgm.eu) and follow us on the social networks:

- Facebook: www.tiny.cc/facebookvdgm
- Twitter: [@vdgmEU](https://twitter.com/vdgmEU)
- LinkedIn: www.tiny.cc/invdgm

First Five Years in Family Practice Canada

Since 2010, the College of Family Physicians of Canada has devoted resources towards addressing the unique needs of family physicians in the early years of practice. Drawing on the experiences of the United Kingdom's First5 movement, the Canadian group has focused on meeting the practice management, mentorship, and networking needs of members.

With a large online presence through Facebook and the College website, the First Five Years in Family Practice group has initiated a strategy to assist family physicians starting out their careers and setting up a practice in Canada.

- Websites: <http://cfpc.ca/firstfiveyears>, http://cfpc.ca/Cinq_premieres_annees
- Email Contacts: firstfiveyearsCanada@cfpc.ca, cinqpremieres@cfpc.ca
- Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/groups/FirstFiveYearsinPractice.Canada/>

Les cinq premières années de pratique de la médecine familiale au Canada

Depuis 2010, le Collège des médecins de famille du Canada consacre des ressources aux besoins uniques des médecins de famille qui exercent depuis moins de cinq ans. Inspiré par les expériences du mouvement First5 du Royaume-Uni, le groupe a cherché à satisfaire les besoins de ses membres dans les domaines de la gestion de la pratique, du mentorat et du réseautage.

Cultivant une présence dynamique sur le Web par l'entremise de Facebook et du site du Collège, le groupe des médecins de famille dans les cinq premières années de leur pratique a déployé une stratégie visant à aider les médecins de famille à démarrer leur carrière et à établir une pratique au Canada.

- Sites Web: <http://cfpc.ca/firstfiveyears>, http://cfpc.ca/Cinq_premieres_annees
- Adresses courriel: firstfiveyearsCanada@cfpc.ca, cinqpremieres@cfpc.ca
- Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/groups/FirstFiveYearsinPractice.Canada/>

Waynakay Movement

Our group was born in May 19th on 2010 at the WONCA World Conference in Cancún, Mexico. Today there are 12 Iberoamerican countries participating: Argentina, Brasil, Bolivia,

Colombia, Cuba, El Salvador, Panamá, Chile, Venezuela, Ecuador, México, República Dominicana.

The objective is to make Family Medicine stronger in our countries and promote the continuing medical education, exchange, and research between residents and young Family Physicians.

If you want to know more about us go to: www.waynakay.com

The Rajakumar Movement

The Rajakumar Movement is the Wonca Asia Pacific Working Party for Young and Future Family Doctors which was launched in Hong Kong in 2009.

For further information, visit the movement's website: <http://rajakumarmovement.org/>