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Call for WONCA Europe 5 Star Doctor Award 2024

The WONCA Europe Executive Board is pleased to announce the Call for Nominations for the "WONCA Europe Award for Excellence in Health Care: The 5 Star Doctor 2024." The recipient of this prestigious award will be honored with a certificate and will be nominated as the European candidate for the WONCA World Award of 2025, to be held in Lisbon.

The presentation of the WONCA Europe 5 Star Doctor Award 2024 is scheduled to take place at the WONCA Europe Conference 2024 in Dublin, from 25 to 28 September.

It is important to note that no reimbursement for travel or other associated costs will be provided for participation in either the Dublin or Lisbon events.

The WONCA Europe 5 Star Doctor is recognized as an exceptional family physician/general practitioner actively engaged in patient care as a practitioner.

The criteria for the WONCA Europe Award are as follows:

- a nominee must meet the principle of the 5 Star Doctor
- the "Towards Unity for Health" criteria will be kept in mind: the attributes of the 5 Star Doctor are:
 - **care provider** who considers the patient as an integral part of a family and the community and provides high standard clinical care (excluding or diagnosing serious illness and injury, manages chronic disease and disability) and personalises preventive care within a long term, trusting relationship
 - **decision maker**, who chooses which technologies to apply ethically and cost-effectively while enhancing the care that he or she provides;
 - **communicator**, who is able to promote healthy life-styles by emphatic explanation, thereby empowering individuals and groups to enhance and protect their health;

- **community leader**, who has won the trust of the people among whom he or she works, who can reconcile individual and community health requirements and initiate action on behalf of the community;
 - **team member**, who can work harmoniously with individuals and organisations, within and outside the health care system, to meet his or her patients and community's needs.
- a nominee should be a primary care physician/family doctor who in addition to providing regular patient care:
 - provides innovative services for a community or special patient group;
 - developed services where they were previously not available;
 - supported colleagues in another region, country or college;
 - performed academic work (teaching, research, quality assurance) of exceptional quality and relevance.
 - a nominee needs to be a primary care physician/family doctor
 - a nominee can work outside his or her region, or create something that can be used outside his or her region or serve as a role model to other regions


The WONCA Europe 5 Star Doctor Award Committee for 2024 consists of:

- Eva Hummers, WONCA Europe Hon. Secretary (Chair)
- Tiny van Merode, EGPRN
- Nele Michels, EURACT
- Andrée Rochfort, EQUIP
- Oleg Kravtchenko, EURIPA
- Serdar Oztora, EUROPREV

Nominations must be submitted using the attached form, which must be completed in its entirety. The deadline for submissions is March 1, 2024. Please send the completed form to the WONCA Europe Secretariat at SecretariatEurope@wonca.net.

The recipient of the 5 Star Doctor 2023 award will be notified by April 1, 2024.

Kind regards,



Prof. Dr. Shlomo Vinker
WONCA Europe President



Prof. Dr. Eva Hummers
WONCA Europe Honorary Secretary