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BACKGROUND AND MISSION

World Health Professions Alliance (WHPA) brings together the global organisations representing the world's dentists, nurses, pharmacists, physical therapists and physicians and speaks for more than 31 million health care professionals in more than 130 countries. It was formed in 1999 and now works to improve global health and the quality of patient care and facilitates collaboration among the health professions and major stakeholders. Together, the partners of the WHPA include more than 600 national member organisations, making it the key point of global access to health care professionals within the five disciplines forming its core focus.

AREAS OF INTEREST

- Public health
- Patient safety
- Counterfeit medicines
- Human rights in health
- Regulation of the health professions and collaborative practice
- Health human resources and workforce issues
- Health care systems

HEALTH-RELATED ACTIVITIES

WHPA works to facilitate collaboration among health professionals and global stakeholders such as governments and international organisations. WHPA realises its mission of improving global health and the quality of patient care by working in collaboration where patients and health care systems benefit from holistic approach to the right to health. WHPA organises forums and conferences which allow exchange of expertise and information between the member organisations, and implements public health campaigns, as well as issues guidelines for health professionals.

GOVERNANCE AND STAFF

WHPA is governed by the board of CEOs of the five WHPA members' organisations, which meets every two months. The head of secretariat is Ms. Helen von Dadelszen.

FUNDING SOURCES AND BUDGET

WHPA's funding is provided by the annual contributions of its members and by project grants from partners.

PUBLICATIONS

For all WHPA publications, see: <http://www.whpa.org/>

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