

Intervention on provisional agenda items 16.1. Well-being and health promotion and 16.3. Social determinants of health

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Honourable Chair, Distinguished Delegates,

FIP represents over four million pharmacists worldwide.

Achieving health and well-being for all requires the engagement of all health stakeholders and healthcare professionals. Well-being is grounded on health literacy and self-care, and access to primary healthcare. These are heavily influenced by socioeconomic factors and access to education, among other social determinants of health. Ensuring equitable access to pharmaceutical care and services, and the promotion of health literacy and well-being are part of pharmacists' professional identity and daily practice.

We encourage Member States to leverage and integrate pharmacists and pharmacies as essential partners through appropriate mechanisms and funding in order to empower individuals for self-care, prevent disease, manage common ailments, and provide primary healthcare services, including vaccination.

Thank you.