NEWS

WPA at the Forefront: Driving Synergies and Partnerships for Patient Safety Implementation at the 6th Global Ministerial Summit: The 6th Global Ministerial Summit on Patient Safety was held on April 17-18, 2024, in Santiago, Chile, and brought together key stakeholders from around the world to address critical issues in healthcare safety. Read more

Pandemic Agreement Negotiations to Resume: WHO Member States have agreed to resume negotiations aimed at finalizing the world’s first pandemic agreement. This decision follows two weeks of intensive discussions focused on critical issues to ensure all countries are better prepared to respond to future pandemics effectively and equitably. Read more

Data Visualization Dashboard on AMR and Use: Antimicrobial resistance poses a serious threat to patients’ health, making infections harder to treat and increasing the risk of complications. The newly launched GLASS data visualization dashboard provides a comprehensive overview of resistance rates for various antibiotics across common bacterial pathogens. Read more

New Guidance on Monitoring Social Determinants of Health Equity: In a significant development aimed at promoting health equity worldwide, the World Health Organization (WHO) has unveiled a groundbreaking operational framework for monitoring social determinants of health equity and actions addressing them. Read more

Getting to Know the WPA Team

In this issue of Patients’ Voice, we are privileged to feature Helen Haskell, Chair of the WPA Patient Safety and Quality Council, a prominent figure in patient advocacy and a leading contributor to the patients’ cause. Patients’ Voice thanks Helen for sharing her story. Click ‘Meet Helen Haskell’ to read more.

Helen Haskell
Chair Patient Safety and Quality Council, WPA

Helen Haskell is president of the US nonprofit patient organizations Mothers Against Medical Error and Consumers Advancing Patient Safety. She is an Institute for Healthcare Improvement senior fellow and a board member of the Patient Safety Action Network and the International Society for Rapid Response Systems. She is a recently retired board member of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement and the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and a previous chair of the WHO Patients for Patient Safety Advisory Group and the Patient Engagement Committee of the Society to Improve Diagnosis in Medicine. Read more

Members' News

WPA has launched a campaign to promote and highlight the excellent work its member patient organizations are doing globally. Please click here to see members news all over the world.

- Be healthy, take care of your health conference by Patient Safety Foundation, Poland
- Karvan Alergija by Nacionalno udruženje Alergija i ja, Serbia
- Alzheimer’s Awareness Session by Alzheimer’s Pakistan

If you are interested in showcasing your event on WPA social media, website, and newsletter. Please click here to submit your event details.
Members' Announcements

Turkey
International Civil Society HIV Conference

The World Patients Alliance is delighted to highlight the upcoming 4th International Civil Society HIV Conference, #HIVIstanbul2024, organized by our esteemed member organization, Kirmizi Kurdele Istanbul (Red Ribbon Istanbul). This conference, set to take place from October 3-5, 2024, in Istanbul, both in-person and online, represents a crucial gathering for the global HIV community. Read more

May 8
The International Thalassaemia Day 2024

On May 8, 2024, the global thalassaemia community will come together to observe International Thalassaemia Day. This year's theme is “Empowering Lives, Embracing Progress: Equitable and Accessible Thalassaemia Treatment for All”.

WPA is excited to announce that many of its member organization will join the International Thalassaemia Day 2024 movement and help change the lives of millions of people living with Thalassaemia around the globe!

New Members

WPA is very pleased to welcome our 33 new members, who have joined the organization in the last three months:

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WPA Press Release
Advocacy skills are essential for patient organizations, enabling patients to actively engage in their healthcare, improve communication with healthcare providers, access information, and contribute to positive changes in the healthcare system. The PALC stands out as an innovative hub, providing connectivity, community resources, and tools focused on sustainable capacity building for patient advocates globally.

WPA Announcements

Cape Town 2024: 2nd World Patients Conference

19-20 Oct, 2024 | Cape Town, South Africa: WPA’s 2nd World Patients Conference will provide patients the platform and opportunity to network, exchange information, share experiences, learn from each other, raise your voice, and advocate for patients cause internationally. Register now and join us as we provide the international platform to empower and raise the patients’ voice for the provision and access to safe, quality, and affordable healthcare globally. Secure your spot, registrations are open now!

Register Now

Desafíos para Implementar el Cuidado a la Salud Centrado en el Paciente y su Familia
(SEMINARIO WEB EN ESPAÑOL)

WPA se complace en anunciar próximo seminario web en español, "Desafíos para implementar el Cuidado a la Salud centrado en el paciente y su familia", programado para el 7 de mayo de 2024 a las 8:00 a.m., hora de México y (10 a.m. EDT).

Register Now

WPA Webinars & Workshops
The WPA organized the following webinars during the previous quarter:

- Mindful Living: NCD Prevention in Europe
- The Deteriorating Patient: When a hospital patient unexpectedly goes downhill, what can families do?
- Self-care Webinar
- WPA Patient Videos
- An Introduction to Medication Safety

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**Partners' Events**

- ISQua's 40th International Conference 2024 (ISQua)
- WONCA South Asia Region Conference 2024 (WONCA)
- 8th WONCA African Region Conference (WONCA)
- WMA Meeting on Declaration of Helsinki Revision (WMA)
- 47th IHF World Hospital Congress (IHF)

**Article**

Advancing Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity in Gynecologic Cancer Clinical Trials

By Hussain Jafri | Founding Director, WPA

In the landscape of medical research, equity, diversity, and inclusivity (EDI) are not merely buzzwords but guiding principles that shape the trajectory of progress. Nowhere is this more apparent than in the realm of gynecologic cancer clinical trials, where the pursuit of equitable healthcare access intersects with the complexities of patient diversity.

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