



**World
Patient Safety
Day** 17 September 2023



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"Engaging Patients for Patient Safety"

Elevate the Voice of Patients!

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BOOKLET**

1. Introduction

The World Patients Safety Day (WPSD) is observed globally on 17th Sept every year. “Engaging Patients for Patient Safety” has been selected as the theme for World Patient Safety Day 2023. Evidence shows that when patients are treated as partners in their care, significant gains are made in safety, patient satisfaction, and health outcomes. Resolution WHA72.6 urges Members States “to put into place systems to support the active engagement, participation, and empowerment of patients, families, and communities in the delivery of safer health care”.

Each year, a new theme is selected to highlight a priority patient safety area for action. The objectives of World Patient Safety Day 2023 are:

1. Raise global awareness of the need for active engagement of patients and their families and caregivers in all settings and at all levels of health care to improve patient safety.
2. Empower patients and families to be actively involved in their own health care and in the improvement of safety of health care.
3. Advocate urgent action be taken by all partners on patient and family engagement, aligned with the Global Patient Safety Action Plan 2021–2030.

To shift the paradigm of patient-centeredness from care designed “for patients” to care designed “with patients”, patient and family engagement has been included as one of the seven strategic objectives of the Global Patient Safety Action Plan 2021–2030 and will now be the focus of the global campaign for this year’s World Patient Safety Day. Through the slogan “Elevate the voice of patients!” WHO calls on all stakeholders to take necessary action to ensure that patients are involved in policy formulation, are represented in governance structures, are engaged in co-designing safety strategies, and are active partners in their own care. There is a need to provide platforms at global, national, and local levels to enable patients and their families to make their voices heard and share their experiences of safe and unsafe care; and to ensure that they are engaged and empowered, and their insights are used as a vital source of learning and improvement.

WPA organized largest WPSD campaigns in the world by organizing over 1200 events in the years 2021 and 2022.

The WPSD was established in 2019 by the Seventy-second World Health Assembly through the adoption of resolution WHA72.6: “Global action on patient safety”. Global public health days have great potential to raise awareness and understanding of key health issues and to mobilize support for action, from the local community to the international stage. World Patient Safety Day is firmly grounded in the fundamental principle of medicine— “first do no harm.” Its objectives are to increase public awareness and engagement, enhance global understanding, and work towards global solidarity and action by member states to promote patient safety.

2. WPA World Patient Safety Day

WPA in collaboration with its member organizations has successfully conducted 1200+ events since the launch of World Patient Safety Day in September 2020. Therefore, WPA is pleased to launch a campaign to celebrate WPSD 2023 globally which would include organizing awareness and advocacy events such as seminars, conferences, workshops, community meetings, training events, sports events, dramas & plays, musical events, walks, etc.

3. Grants to celebrate WPSD

WPA is providing Grants to WPA member organizations to celebrate the day. There are a limited number of US \$300 to \$ 500 grants available to be used for organizing WPSD in-person events. If you are interested in receiving a Grant for your organization, please complete the [ONLINE GRANT FORM](#). The deadline to submit online Grant applications is 31st July 2023.

4. Grants' Terms & Conditions

WPA member organizations can apply for WPSD grants subject to the following terms and conditions:

- It will be a collaborative event between WPA and organization receiving the grant.
- The organization receiving the grant will use promotional materials provided by WPA (banners, posters, leaflets, logo, etc.) in all of its campaign. Moreover, WPA will be highlighted as collaborating partner throughout the event/ campaign and in all of the campaign materials.
- The organization receiving the Grant will provide a report (400 words) on the event along with high-resolution pictures to WPA within a week after the event.
- Each event will be announced and promoted for local and international audiences on WPA and WPA member organization's social media and websites.
- The organization receiving the Grant will use and promote WPA social media (Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter and Instagram) in their campaign.
- The agreed funds will be transferred once the event is finalized in consultation with WPA and held as planned. In case of any financial issues faced by the organization, the funds may be transferred before the event with the prior permission of WPA. In such case, if the organization receiving the Grant is unable to organize the event as planned, the funds provided by WPA will be returned in full.
- Your bank may deduct fund transfer charges

5. Declaration & Bank Detail Form:

It is important that all organizations receiving the Grant to sign Declaration form. The funds will be transferred only to the "organization's account" receiving the Grant.

6. Who is eligible to Apply?

WPA Full & Associate members are eligible and encouraged to apply for the World Patient Safety Day 2023 Grant.

7. Promotional Material

WPA will soon be providing WPSD 2023 promotional material such as banners, steamers, social media posts, etc. to help you in the promotion of your event(s).

8. Online Grant Form

Please click here to complete the [ONLINE GRANT FORM](#). The deadline to submit online Grant applications is 31st July 2023.

9. Register your WPSD Event

Register and become part of the WPA's global WPSD campaign. Help to achieve the campaign's goals this year by holding your own events and spreading the campaign messages in the lead up to, during and after 17 September. Please [click here](#) to register your WPSD event.

If you have questions or need more information, please contact us at:
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