# OUR VISION Strong Primary Care for a Healthy Europe

european forum for primary care

#### **History & Background**



#### Founded In 2005

#### Secretariat at the NIVEL institute in the Netherlands.



#### Why the forum?

- Strengthening PC in Europe
- Interprofessional network
- Put the patient at the centre of care

#### 110 institutional & 60 individual members



#### Multi-professional membership Network

- Large range of country representatives
- Three levels: Policy, Academic & Professionals
- Inter-Professional including patients & informal care takers

#### **EFPC** now and in the future



#### "PHC Now More Than Ever for UHC"!!

- Primary Health Care (PHC) to be public just as electricity or public transport.
- Raise the percentage of total health expenditure for PHCs to 25-30 %;
- Integrated PHC services will support both gate-keeping and direct access.
- ➤ A mixed system of referrals and payment of fee per patient and fee for service is used to support continuity of care.
- Patient data sets outline the patients/community needs
- > Patient's records follow EU guidelines and include migrants, tourists or transient patients.
- ➤ PHC facilitates access to services such as home care, nursing care, mental, youth & pharmaceutical care, midwifery, FT & OT, social work and dentistry, screening of infectious disease, vaccination, contact-tracing, self-care regimes, drug dispensing, healthy lifestyle programs all with patient empowerment.

#### Objectives for our EMA working group (40 people)

Collaborate with partners (WONCA & UEMO) to convey Family Medicine principles in Health care and in Pharmaceutical care.



- 1. Disperse and discuss recommendations on rational use of drugs in the EU (webinars, etc.)
- 2. To give input into EMA on the FM principles giving priority to:
  - a) EBM prescription of Antibiotics to prevent AM
  - b) Warrant good access to all drugs
  - c) Promote PC-role in prevention and vaccinations
  - d) Stimulate research and innovation in EU drug dispensing

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#### **Additional priorities for EFPC**

- > Help EMA better understand how medicines are used in real life and the potential impact of specific regulatory actions on patient care
- > Raise interest in PC for new treatments and the role of the EMA
- Promote pharmacovigilance & adverse event monitoring, including for Drug Drug Interactions (DDI)
- Explore the role of PC in decentralised trials and models of clinical development
- Address the needs of practitioners, patients & care takers in drug supply
- > Make drug information independent from interest groups/ producers.



### Thank you for your attention!

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