

WONCA World, in association with WONCA Europe, the Portuguese Association of General Practice and Family Medicine (APMGF) & the **WONCA World Young Doctors' Movement**

**BACKGROUND AND AIMS**

WONCA World, in collaboration with WONCA Europe, the Portuguese Association of General Practice and Family Medicine, and the WONCA Young Doctors’ Movement, is excited to announce the establishment of a merit-based scholarship program. This initiative aims to recognize and support young family physicians who demonstrate outstanding performance and contributions to the field.

The scholarship is designed to empower exceptional young doctors by providing them with the opportunity to participate in the WONCA World Conference and YDM Preconference in Lisbon. We believe that acknowledging excellence is crucial for fostering a strong and diverse community of general practitioners. By investing in those who show remarkable dedication and achievement, we aim to inspire future leaders in Primary Care.

We are committed to ensuring that financial barriers do not hinder talented individuals from attending these pivotal events. The scholarship will not only enhance their motivation and skills as physicians but also facilitate the development of a robust network of family doctors across the globe. Our ultimate goal is to strengthen Primary Care worldwide by reinforcing, inspiring, and connecting its dedicated practitioners.

**REFUND**

The WONCA Young Doctors’ Movement Bursary scheme will cover:

* TWO bursaries of up to €2500
* Applicants must be a Young Family Physician registered with a WONCA Member Organisation.
* Updates will be provided via the WONCA YDM webpage and Social Media channels

The final amount of the bursary will be decided by the jury for each bursary. **The refund can only be used towards:**

* Registration fee for the YDM Preconference Lisbon 2025
* Registration fee for the WONCA World Conference Lisbon 2025
* The cost of flight tickets to YDM Preconference and WONCA World Conference 2025 in Lisbon
* The cost of accommodation during YDM Preconference and WONCA World Conference 2025 in Lisbon

Any costs in excess of the bursary allocation will need to be covered by the bursary holder.

**DOCUMENTS**

1. Application form (saved Name\_AF\_Lisbon2025\_World) (see below)

2. Proof of a young doctor status: GP trainee or during the first 5 years after training (saved as Name\_Status\_Lisbon2025\_World)

3. Applicant’s picture (saved as Name\_Picture\_Lisbon2025\_World)

4. Curriculum vitae ( saves as Name\_CV\_Lisbon2025\_World)

**CALENDAR**

All the documents must be sent to the YDMWorldBursaries2025@guarant.cz by **the 30th of April.**

The applicants will be informed about results through emails **by the 31st of May.**

**OTHER REQUIREMENTS**

1. The applicant will be asked to describe her/his experience (using 250- 500 words) within one month after attending the event.

2.The applicant will be asked to send proof of incurred costs (e.g. bills, invoices).

3. The applicant has to attend both events: the WONCA Europe Conference and the EYFDM Preconference.

The reimbursement will be given up to two months after finalising the mentioned above requirements.

**JURY**

The Selection of the two Fund recipients will be made by a Jury made up of representatives from EYFDM and WONCA Europe who will evaluate the application forms.

**INCLUSION CRITERIA**

To receive the bursary you must:

* Be a young family physician (a family medicine trainee or up to 5 years after finishing training, valid in September 2025) [<https://www.globalfamilydoctor.com/groups/YoungDoctorsMovements>].
* Be a member of a **WONCA** National Member Organisation of WONCA (valid on the 30 April 2025) [<https://www.globalfamilydoctor.com/AboutWonca/Regions.aspx>]
* Prove your attendance at **both** the WONCA World Conference and the YDM Preconference in Lisbon
* Send a report of your experience within one month after the event
* Live outside of the WONCA Europe Region - https://www.globalfamilydoctor.com/AboutWonca/Regions/Europe.aspx# (another bursary is available for EYFDM members)
* Not be a winner of a previous WONCA / EYFDM (previously VdGM) fund or scholarship.

Failure to meet these requirements, including to send a report of her/his experience within one month after the event fails to prove the incurred costs

**CONSENT**

By applying for the Fund, the applicant agrees to:

* using their photo for publicity purposes on the WONCA Europe/ EYFDM social media channels and/or website
* publishing their report about the attended events (live and/or virtual) for publicity purposes on the WONCA Europe/ EYFDM social media channels and/or website
* GDPR information

The first two consents aim to disseminate the value of participation in the mentioned events and raise awareness of the significance of the Fund. The personal data can be omitted at the request of the candidate.

**INFORMATION REGARDING THE GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION (GDPR)**

Providing your personal information is compulsory to prepare the logistics for your attendance at the WONCA World Conference 2025 and YDM Preconference 2025 in Lisbon. You may decline to provide your personal data. In this case, however, you will not be able to duly and validly prepare your conference registration and travel and you will lose your entitlement for this Fund. WONCA World and GUARANT International, as data processing controllers, collect and use only personal data necessary to allow for the sound management of the bursary, as suggested in this document. Your personal data will not be shared with any third party and will only be kept as long as necessary for the purposes related to the bursary (i.e. audit of relevant budgets). In accordance with the GDPR, you have a right to access, modify, rectify and delete data that you accept to share. Under certain circumstances, by law you have also the right to:

* define directives concerning the management of your personal information after your death;
* object, in whole or in part, to processing of your personal information;
* request the restriction of processing of your personal information;
* request the portability, where applicable, or your personal information;

You can exercise these rights by contacting us by email at woncaworld2025@guarant.cz.
If you have questions, suggestions, or wish to make a complaint, you can contact us by email at woncaworld2025@guarant.cz.

**APPLICATION FORM**

**Full name:**

**Address:**

**Country:**

**Age:**

**Phone:**

**Email:**

If you are a Family Medicine trainee, please write a year of training, name and address of your training center:

If you are a Family Medicine specialist within your first 5 years after qualification, please write a month and year of the qualification:

**Please, answer the following questions:**

**1)** How will you benefit from attending the WONCA World Conference and YFM Preconference in Lisbon? (max 200 words)\*

**2)** Do you plan to invest the results of this experience in your country? If yes, how? (max 200 words)

**3)** What contributions have you made to improve the standard of primary care in your country? (max 200 words)

**4)** Have you engaged in any volunteering activity in the last 5 years? If yes, please describe briefly the activity. (max 200 words)

**5)** What do you think are the strengths and weaknesses of Family Medicine in your country? (max 200 words)

**6)** Have you ever published an article / presented an oral presentation or a poster? If yes, please indicate at least one of each. Please include details of any prizes or awards. (up to 10 examples)

**7)** Have you submitted an abstract to the WONCA World Conference in Lisbon? If yes, write a title and ID of your submission.

**8)** Have you ever attended a WONCA World, WONCA Europe or EYFDM (previously VdGM) event (Conference, Preconference, Forum) If yes, please indicate which event(s).

**9)** Do you need to apply for a visa to travel to Lisbon? If you receive a bursary do you wish to receive a document confirming awarding bursary to support your visa application?

The filled application form should be saved in PDF and sent to YDMWorldBursaries2025@guarant.cz .

**\* Answers that exceed the recommended number of words or examples will only be considered up until the maximum word limit.**