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34 million nurses, pharmacists, physiotherapists, dentists and physicians in over 130 countries.

Having a strong health workforce is key to achieving universal health coverage. We remind Member States of the key messages regarding addressing the predicted shortfall of health professionals, to maximise the potential of the available workforce and invest in education, skills and jobs that will support the health sector.

The ongoing under-investment in the health sector has resulted in a deterioration of working conditions worldwide and desperate shortages of health professionals which negatively impact the health sector. This is a global health workforce crisis that must be addressed. The WHO established throughout the health sector if national and international health goals are to be met.

WCPT urges governments to Stand up for Positive Practice Environments (<https://www.whpa.org/activities/positive-practice-environments>), and highlights the need for urgent action to address the global health workforce crisis.

It is critical that governments ensure decent working conditions, including occupational safety, manageable workloads, stress reduction measures, adequate remuneration, and the provision of psychosocial support and counselling, especially during times of emergencies.

The health care professionals are committed to improving the health of populations worldwide through working together and promoting effective interprofessional collaboration.

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Thank you for your attention.

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