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Besroul Conference 2016:

Planning continues to host Besroul Conference 2016 in Rio, Brazil, based on the gracious invitation from our Brazilian colleagues, the resounding 'yes' from Besroul partners during our conference in November 2015, and the timing and location of WONCA world conference 2016. While we continue to set our eyes on the Besroul Conference 2016, we also want to ensure full engagement from all Besroul partners and stakeholders, and anticipate confirmation by the end of March 2016 after consultations with all

stakeholders come to a close. To this end, we also continue to monitor and assess the current Zika virus concern in Brazil, as our plans unfold.

WONCA World Conference 2016

Note to our francophone colleagues - as we understand, WONCA will unfortunately not be providing French translators during the conference. Instead, translation will be provided in English, Spanish and Portuguese. English-French simultaneous interpretation will be provided during the Besroul Conference.

Working Groups:

Each working group has been working on developing a 2016 work plan, based on the discussions at the 2015 Besroul conference. We plan to finalize and share with all colleagues in the next month.

Advocacy WG will be meeting on Wednesday, March 30th, (local time zones apply). We encourage all group members to participate. If you have not received the teleconference invitation and wish to participate, please let us know at vshewell@cfpc.ca.

Narratives WG have added to the Rwanda narratives to the Besroul collection. [Click here](#) to view this most recent addition.

Faculty Development WG...best wishes to Clayton Dyck who is in Shantou, China and Christine Gibson in Gondar, Ethiopia, who are both presenting the *Capacity Building in FM* Workshop this week.

Final reminder for submissions:

Education for Primary Care Journal (WONCA Edition) deadline: March 20, 2016

The September 2016 edition of the "Education for Primary Care" Journal will be publishing a special issue focused on WONCA 2016. This provides an opportunity to disseminate the work that is being done in teaching and education, as well as innovations, programs and curriculum development. Anyone interested is asked to contact Dr. Allyn Walsh walsha@mcmaster.ca

Abstract Proposals:

- **CUGH Conference 2016:** The 2016 Annual Consortium of Universities for Global Health (CUGH) Global Health Conference has accepted a poster presentation submitted by the Besroure Centre. The CUGH Conference will be held on April 9-11, 2016, San Francisco, USA.
- **WONCA World Conference 2016:** Several abstracts have been submitted to the WONCA World Conference 2016: 5 Abstract proposals have been submitted on behalf of Besroure working groups, 1 on behalf of the Besroure Centre, and a joint submission between the Besroure Centre and Education Department at the CFPC .

Besroure Strategic Plan:

Three meetings have recently been held to refine the Besroure Centre Strategic Plan (2016-2019), based upon the fruitful discussions at the 2015 Besroure Conference. We thank Cecil Canteenwalla and Clayton Dyck for their time and expertise. The document will soon be finalized and distributed to Besroure colleagues.

International Accreditation: We have been working with the College's Academic Family Medicine (AFM) Department with plans to work with the Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile to develop an accreditation process for their Department of Family Medicine

Current Collaborations:**Tunisia**

The Besroure Centre and CFPC are working with a Canadian consultant to assist in the production of a manual to guide the development, evaluation and accreditation of CPD activities for all health professionals in Tunisia.. A site visit is tentatively scheduled for end of May – beginning of June, 2016.

China

The CFPC has received an invitation by the Chinese Medical Doctor's Association (CMDA) to have one or two Mandarin-speaking experts present on primary care in the Canadian health care system at a conference in Beijing from April 15-19, 2016. The Besroure Centre and CFPC are currently identifying mandarin-speaking family medicine educators.

Brazil

A collaboration agreement with the Brazilian Society of Family and Community medicine, the CFPC and the University of Toronto Department of Family and Community Medicine has been approved by the CFPC Board. The Besroure Centre has been invited by our Brazilian colleagues to follow-up with a site-visit in spring 2016 to continue discussions surrounding potential areas of collaboration.