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WFC PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE POSITION STATEMENT

## HEALTHY AGEING

The World Federation of Chiropractic (WFC) recognizes the value that older people contribute to society in many important ways and that the extent of this contribution is strongly influenced by the health that older people experience.

Chronic non-communicable diseases, including back pain, neck pain and other neuromusculoskeletal disorders, account for significant burden of disease among older people. Measures that contribute to healthy ageing and address this burden can add tremendous societal value.

With a rapidly ageing global population, the WFC supports the need for a clear and comprehensive public health strategy that responds to the needs, capacities, and aspirations of older people and the changing contexts in which they live.

The WFC strongly endorses the recommendations of the World Health Organization, contained in its World Report on Ageing and Health (2015), particularly as they relate to the provision of integrated care that focuses on the needs of older people.

The World Federation of Chiropractic supports the role of chiropractors in maintaining good health, mobility and functional independence in older adults, promoting preventative services, and managing neuromusculoskeletal conditions as a member of an older person's healthcare team.