# WFC DISABILITY & REHABILITATION COMMITTEE CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

#### Introduction

The World Federation of Chiropractic's Disability and Rehabilitation Committee (DRC) is a body of experts, which advises the WFC Board of Directors in matters of evidence-based disability prevention and rehabilitation as they relate to the practice of chiropractic throughout the world. It is a founding member of the World Rehabilitation Alliance, a WHO-led initiative, and is committed to advocacy for evidence-based, people-centered rehabilitation around the world

Activities of the DRC may include, but not be limited to: the identification of global priorities in disability prevention and rehabilitation as they relate to the practice of chiropractic; advice in relation to education and training in disability prevention and rehabilitation; knowledge transfer; and related activities congruent with identified projects of the World Health Organization (WHO).

The WFC is inviting applications for membership of its Disability and Rehabilitation Committee. The DRC will comprise members who will partner with the recently appointed Chair, Dr. Katie de Luca MChiro, PhD.

Members will ordinarily serve a three-year term. Meetings of the DRC will usually take place via videoconference, at a minimum frequency of twice each year.

Applicants should demonstrate a strong track record in the field of health promotion, disability prevention, and rehabilitation and be familiar with chiropractic and the role of chiropractors as spinal health professionals. They will preferably possess a relevant higher degree and/or demonstrate a



strong track record in areas of work related to disability prevention and rehabilitation.

### **Key priorities**

The WFC DRC focuses on three priority areas of work:

1) <u>Positioning</u>: With the goal of optimizing function, preventing disability and the rehabilitation of persons with disabilities, to position chiropractic as a global partner with relevant training and expertise. This will involve educational initiatives, knowledge transfer and research related to a) the promotion of health and rehabilitation services for persons with disabilities and their families and b) information dissemination and implementation of evidence-based, person-centered rehabilitation.

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- 2) <u>Publication of evidence-informed position</u> <u>papers</u>: to write and publish evidence-based multidisciplinary WFC position papers to empower chiropractors in contributing to WHO-led Disability and Rehabilitation policies and strategy.
- 3) <u>Lobbying and Advocacy</u>: to advance and facilitate the involvement of the WFC as a member of the WRA and of chiropractors as members of rehabilitation teams as agents of implementation of local, national and international public health policies on disabilities and rehabilitation.

#### **Applications**

Applications for membership of the DRC should be submitted to the WFC Secretary-General, Richard

Brown, at <a href="mailto:rbrown@wfc.org">rbrown@wfc.org</a>. Applicants should include a CV and a brief cover letter explaining how their experience, skills and expertise will support and advance the work of the Committee and the WFC. Successful applicants will be shortlisted for interview

The WFC Equality and Diversity Policy and the WFC Conflict of Interest Policy shall apply to the appointment of DRC members. These policies are available on the WFC website at <a href="https://www.wfc.org">www.wfc.org</a>. Every effort shall be made to ensure that all WFC regions shall be represented.

The deadline for receipt of applications is June 30, 2023.



