# REPORT OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT DR. ANTHONY A. OMOLOLA DMP AT NEC METING HOLDING AT AIRPORT HOTEL IKEJA LAGOS, NIGERIA, ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> OF FEBRUARY, 2012.

My dear colleagues, on behalf of myself and National Officers, I say happy New Year to all of you.

I pray and also wish all of us a fruitful and successful 2012.

Permit me to use this opportunity to appreciate and thank all National Officers and other members of NEC for your advice, prayers and support in the past years.

I am sure we are aware of the challenges facing our country as at now ranging from economic hardship to insecurity of lives and properties. I am sure this will definitely put pressure on us as professionals in the discharge of our duties. This time calls for more dedication to our Association as to accomplish our goals as medical and dental practitioners and also as private investors in the health care.

I solicit for your continued support this year as to further move our great Association forward.

### 1. AGPMPN NATIONAL HEALTH SUMMIT 2012. (AGPMPN NHS 2012).

For our country to meet the health related MDGs, our health care systems need re-structuring and re-positioning where priority will be given to issues that will drastically reduce our bad health indices .

The AGPMPN initiated NHS 2012 will be a veritable tool to articulate and develop a robust health care system involving all the relevant stakeholders.

The committee set up for this purpose in Yenagoa during NEC on the 30<sup>th</sup> July 2011 will need to commence work fully with other members of the Association to achieve this laudable project. The inaugural meeting of AGPMPN NHS 2012 will take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2012 at Airport hotel ikeja, where decisions on many issues concerning the summit will be taken.

#### 2. POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN FAMILY MEDICINE.

I happy to inform you that the program is ongoing and building capacity amongst members who are in it and this will definitely impact positively on our health care in this country.

We are almost ending the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of the 6 quarter program. Colleagues have started clinical training/assessment and its "amazing" seeing our colleagues back to classroom.

I must at this juncture commend the Faculty of Family Medicine, National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria (NPMCN) for the co-operation and understanding existing between us at present and wishes it continues as to build a critical mass of generalists/family physicians that will in future help to stem down the bad health indices currently existing in our country.

I will continue to appeal to our colleagues to key into this program in future as this will help to structure and improve what we learnt in medical schools and currently doing as medical practitioners as to align with the global trend in general/family medicine and also to build more capacity in us.

## 3. 2012 DIARY/CALENDAR

I am happy to inform NEC members that our maiden National calendar/diary are out. All financial members will be given free copies of diary/calendar.

The NEC members have diaries customized for them free, including the past presidents, secretary generals, state commissioners of health and other important dignitaries with some foreign embassies and our partners.

My sincere thanks to PHARMATEX – DIARY and GSK – CALENDAR for their sponsorship. Our Association will continue to partner with these companies for symbiotic relationship that will better all of us and improve health care delivery in our country.

#### 4. CPD

It's now obvious that MDCN is living up to her responsibility in enforcing **CPD** units for annual practicing licence renewal for medical practitioners in Nigeria.

In view of the above and for ease of our Association and **MDCN** to verify our claims on **CPD**, the **CPD** units obtained by medical/dental practitioners through AGPMPN will regularly be uploaded into our website.

I implore and enjoin our state chairmen/secretaries to please ensure names of those that partake in any CPD activity be sent to the National secretariat manually or electronically within 72 hours of such activity.

I will in consultation with National Officers appoint Zonal/State monitoring committees to help in keeping our **CPD** standard/records up to date.

#### 5. DATA/RESEARCH

I believe a system without data is a baseless and blind system.

Research is now inevitable for our Association to move forward scientifically.

In view of this we will work closely with all members as to produce a broad base data that will help to give proper direction and solutions to our health care in Nigeria.

Modalities will be communicated to all members in conjunction with the data and research committee through the secretariat in due course.

# 6. 3<sup>rd</sup> WONCA AFRICA REGION CONFERENCE.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> WONCA AFRICA REGION CONFERENCE will hold in Elephant Hills Hotel, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, between 19<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup> November 2012.

As you are all aware the Africa WONCA region President Dr TOLA OSINOWO DMP is our own and we should represent Nigeria in large numbers this year in Zimbabwe as a mark of honor for hosting the Africa Wonca region secretariat.

A committee to handle Zimbabwe 2012 will be inaugurated. This committee will be headed by WONCA liason officer.

#### 7. EKO2012

I appeal to chairman/secretaries and other NEC members to mobilize our members for this year's Annual Scientific Conference/AGM coming up at Lagos Airport Hotel Limited Ikeja, between  $21^{st} - 25^{th}$  march 2012.

The international practice of having concurrent sessions during major conferences has been introduced to this year's conference. This will provide opportunities for members to have different choices of topics they want to attend.

The LOC and National Monitoring Conference committee will give full details of the conference to the house.

#### 8. INCOMING CONFERENCES

RCGP Annual Primary Care Conference in Glasgow UK, is between 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> of October 2012. Members should endeavor to attend the Conference because it is relevannce to us in AGPMN. Other Conferences in Prague, 2013 with other relevant Conferences will be highlighted by liason officer.

# 9. AGPMPN/EAGLE SEARCH

A temporary MOU has been signed with Eagle Search for treatment of emergency cases arising from accidents. Details will be given by Eagle Search during this NEC meeting.

I thank you for your attention and wish all of us journey mercies back to our different destinations, may God bless us all.

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