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WEO Newsletter

This is the SEVENTH issue of the WEO MONTHLY NEWSLETTER.

Each issue will cover areas of interest, including:

Research | Meeting(s) | Global Events | awareness | Update from your Organisation and WEO

WELCOME TO WEO YEAR 2023

By Deborah Bush MNZM, QSM

Hello everyone, and welcome to our WEO 2023 year.

The Steering Committee met earlier in the year, and we have some exciting plans, including the WCE2023 in Edinburgh in May 2023. We understand that not all WEO members will attend, but we'll do our best to keep you involved and ensure your voices are heard in my presentation at a special symposium.

With that in mind, we have a survey that you have received. Here is the link, just in case you missed the email. https://forms.gle/fn7qcuyoB1cQUtF2A.

The survey is anonymous, and no identifying information is collected. Rather the information will give us a broad perspective on the kind of services that WEO Member Organisations around the world provide, as well as help WEO understand where more support is needed and how WEO might be able to help.

If you have any questions about the survey, please direct them to Philippa Bridge-Cook, WEO Steering Committee, at philippa@endometriosisnetwork.ca.

NB: the deadline for submission is February 28th, 2023. Thank you.
WELCOME TO NEW WEO ORGANISATIONS

A very warm welcome to two new WEO Organisations:

- **Fight Endo Foundation** is based in Australia. Marina Kyriakou is the Executive Director | Founder. Their hashtag is #stopwomensuffering, and you can find them on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.
  
  https://www.endofoundationaus.org/about

- ‘La voce di una è la voce di tutte’ (The voice of one is the voice of many) Italy. Allesia Astolfi is the Vice President and our WEO contact person.
  
  https://www.lavocedellendometriosi.it

2023 Seminar Series

We have several zoom seminars planned for this year. Details of each seminar will be circulated as soon as we are able.

- Ulrik Bak Kirk who is the FEMaLe Coordinator & Program Manager for FEMaLe. YOU WILL BE SENT A ZOOM INVITE FOR 19TH APRIL AT 11AM BST. SAVE THE DATE.

- The National Action Plan for Endometriosis in Australia. Our last talk from Prof Jason Abbott prompted lots of discussion and there was keen interest to learn more about the specific projects being undertaken. Date to be advised.

- Education in schools specifically the new online resource known as What about me®? led by Deborah Bush

- Workplace programmes, led by Emma Cox
EndoFound (WEO members) is holding a Patient Symposium, "Together for Tomorrow." The event happening on March 18th and 19th at Einhorn Auditorium - Lenox Hill Hospital.

Their flyer states that the event is designed to equip patients with all the tools and information they need to live their best lives with endometriosis.

The event consists of a series of expert panels and patient discussions covering a range of topics on endometriosis. The sessions will be available virtually. You can learn more about the event by clicking here: https://www.endofound.org/patientday.

You are welcome to circulate the information to your own members.

15th World Congress on Endometriosis – PROGRAMME OUTLINE

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WCE2023

For those members attending, WEO will have a pre-congress meeting on the afternoon of the 3rd May, 2023.

This will be an opportunity to come along and meet everyone in person and discuss some issues of interest. Lois Morehen has sent an email to you so that we know who will attend. Please respond to that email to assist us with our help our planning.loismorehen@endometriosis-uk.org

Congratulations to those four member Organisations who applied for sponsorship to attend WCE2023 through WEO. Your proposals were professional and convincing. I am delighted we were able attract some sponsorship for you.

March Awareness

There will be NO WEO newsletter in March.

We wish each and every one of you, an exciting and full month increasing awareness of endometriosis and actioning change in your area and country.