

# A Call to Secure a Just & Equitable Transition to Sustainable Energy & Safeguard Health

**We the family doctors, doctors and health professionals of the world call on world leaders to take urgent action to safeguard the health of global populations from the climate crisis.**

Climate change is already having widespread impacts on human health. As frontline health workers, we are increasingly responding to health emergencies triggered by the climate crisis. Yet in the face of increasing harm and suffering, new fossil fuel resources continue to be developed and greenhouse gas emissions continue to rise.

If we are to have any chance of limiting warming to 1.5°C and halting the escalation of the climate health emergency, we must end the proliferation of fossil fuels.

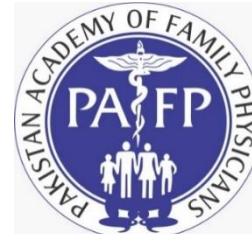
The World Health Organization has called for a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty and an end to fossil fuel subsidies.

We, therefore, join these calls, and urge all Governments to adopt the following as urgent health interventions:

- End expansion of any new fossil fuel infrastructure and production.
- Phase out existing production and use of fossil fuels.
- Remove fossil fuel subsidies and invest in renewable energy.
- Fast track a just transition that addresses the needs of individuals, communities and countries to move away from fossil fuel energy systems towards more diverse, resilient and inclusive economies powered by renewable energy.

WONCA World shares this call on behalf of the WONCA Working Party on Planetary Health.

**This call has been endorsed by the following organisations, representing 3 million health professionals.**



Australasian College for Emergency Medicine



Public Health Association AUSTRALIA



TURKISH THORACIC SOCIETY



UK Health Alliance on Climate Change



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Australasian College for Emergency Medicine  
Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine  
Australian Medical Students' Association  
Australian Society of Lifestyle Medicine  
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Climate and Health Alliance  
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College of General Practitioners of Sri Lanka  
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Doctors for the Environment Australia  
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Healthy Futures  
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Irish Doctors for the Environment  
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Kosrae Community Health Center, Federated States of Micronesia  
National Izmir Family Physicians Association, İZAHED  
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Pakistan Academy of Family Physicians  
Public Health Association of Australia  
Royal Australasian College of Surgeons  
Royal College of General Practitioners  
Swedish College of General Practice (SFAM)  
The Centre for Sustainable Healthcare  
Turkish Association of Family Doctors (TAHUD)  
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