

Santiago Statement on Child Labour

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We, the rural health practitioners, and members of WONCA, are aware of the urgent need for actions to eliminate all forms of child labour that harm the physical, mental, or moral well/being of children.

Due to the nature of our work and our closeness to our local people, we are in a good position to understand and investigate the nature and scale of the problems of child labour in our community and in assessing the hazards and hazardous working conditions faced by the working children and the impact of these risks on the health of these children.

We, the rural health practitioners, and members of WONCA, are well placed to act as catalysts in raising the awareness, disseminating educational material about this issue for the use of current and future rural health practitioners.