President’s Message

Twenty years of WIP! It has been an incredible journey and one that has certainly created many wonderful memories. We have done a lot of good things, bringing forward the voice of pain for the practitioner and for the patient. Through WIP’s legacy of education and certification of pain physicians, our organization is now responsible for certifying over 750 Fellows of Interventional Pain Practice (FIPP).

The world congresses of WIP highlight the newest discoveries and advances in pain medicine. The cutting-edge science presented by our speakers and members, often in the form of abstracts, pushes our understanding of pain medicine forward.

WIP continues to focus on pain clinics, pain practitioners, and education. WIP works hard at challenging ourselves to promote the science of pain medicine, the underpinning of what is important; to promote education; and, also what’s important for us as clinicians, how we should base our decisions on how to practice. I am proud of the balance WIP has in those areas. I think we see it in the response of people who want to come to our meetings, and the folks who want to be part of the organization. I believe we are much stronger than we were 10 years ago, but there is always room for progress, and continued improvement in all these areas makes the organization stronger.

We have a tremendous amount of talent and intellectual firepower within the WIP organization. I am honoured to work alongside giants in the field of pain medicine while at the same time energizing new talent to become engaged with WIP to make this organization stronger and further its missions around the world. We could never have achieved, in such a short time, the accomplishments we have without the expert leadership, guidance, and hard work of our previous presidents, Professors Raj, Niv, Racz, Erdine, and Ruiz-Lopez. We have a bright future ahead of us, working together, to alleviate pain and suffering around the world.

Richard L. Rauck, MD, FIPP
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WIP 7th World Congress
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Dear friends and colleagues,

It is a great honor to me, to welcome you all in Maastricht, where the 7th World Congress of the World Institute of Pain will be held from 7-10 May 2014.

Maastricht is the perfect location to organize such an event. Maastricht, an old Roman city in the Netherlands, is located in southern part of the province of Limburg, in the heart of Europe. Maastricht is within 1-4 hours drive from Amsterdam, Brussels, Cologne, Paris or even London. Maastricht is popular with tourist for shopping, recreation and gastronomy. Together with its partner cities and regions, Maastricht has set its sights high: to become the cultural Capital of Europe in 2018. In spring (May) the surroundings of Maastricht is at its best, with beautiful blossoms and a nice temperature.

In this wonderful environment the World Institute of Pain will organize the best scientific clinical World Congress on Pain possible at that/this moment. This 7th WIP World Congress will promote the goals of the WIP: “better education in pain gives better pain relief for the patients”. Pain medicine is strongly growing during the last decade. Further professionalization of pain physicians, evidence-based diagnosis and treatment, improvement of skills are the main goals for the WIP society and consequently for this congress. Social events during this congress will promote networking, friendship and informal contact among the participants.

I invite you all to join the 7th WIP World Congress in Maastricht.

Prof dr Maarten van Kleef MD PhD FIPP

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Ruiz-Lopez is Director of Clinica Del Dolor de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain

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Erdine is Director of the Istanbul Pain Center, Istanbul, Turkey. He is also Professor of Anesthesiology and Algology, Medical Faculty of Istanbul University. He is also Chief Executive Officer of the World Institute of Pain Foundation.

Gabor B. Racz, DABIPP, FIPP (2005-2008)  
Racz is the Grover Murray Professor of Anesthesiology, Chairman Emeritus, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Lubbock, Texas, USA.

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**HONORARY SECRETARY**  
Charles A. Gauci, MD, FRCA, FIPP, FFPMRCA  
Gauci is a visiting consultant in chronic pain management for the Ministry of Health in Malta. He is also retired as a consultant in chronic pain management at Whipp's Cross University Hospital, The Margaret Center for Palliative Care, and Guy's and St. Thomas Hospital in London, England, UK.

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Dianne L. Willard  
Willard resides and works in Winston-Salem, NC, USA. She is a communication honors graduate of Salem College, with emphasis in business administration and marketing. A former Residency-Fellowship Coordinator, she aided in attainment of full accreditation by the ACGME for her department’s anesthesiology residency, pain and critical care fellowship programs. She serves on the board of her local chapter of the Women of the Moose, a unit of Moose International.
D. Mark Tolliver, MA

When physicians seek information about and apply to take the WIP examination for Fellow of Interventional Pain Practice certification; order interventional techniques DVDs, videos, or books; attend a WIP-endorsed educational conference or cadaver workshop -- the chances are great that behind the desk on the other end of the telephone or computer connection, or front and center at a registration booth or in the cadaver lab will be Mr. Mark Tolliver.

Tolliver, who works principally as the FIPP certification program manager, provides essential support and managerial direction to the FIPP Board of Examination. He manages eFIPP™, WIP's online FIPP application and information system. He also manages the Interventional Techniques Library of videos and featured book selections, as well as e-marketing and registration modules for WIP-endorsed educational conferences and workshops.

“When I was given the opportunity to hire someone in 2010 for FIPP, I immediately thought of Mark,” said Dianne Willard, Executive Officer of WIP. “Mark and I worked together when we were employed by our local university-affiliated medical center where he had supported a critical care fellowship program, and acquired certifications as an emergency medical technician and clinical research coordinator. I believed he was uniquely qualified to serve and grow with a global society. He reminded me that this is our 10th year working together - and we do work side-by-side, to support every aspect of WIP's mission. We make a great team!”

Mark has both a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Religion. He has studied German, Spanish and Arabic (along with Biblical Hebrew, Greek and Aramaic). He's acquired a little Hungarian and Dutch linguistic ability and is acquiring a working knowledge of the language of interventional pain.

Mark will host WIP's booth at the 8th biennial EFIC congress “Pain in Europe VIII” in Florence, Italy from 9th to 12th October 2013. If you plan to attend, be sure to visit Mark at the WIP booth!

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WIP Executive Board to Meet in Budapest, Hungary

The Annual Meeting of the WIP Executive Board will be held Sunday, August 25, 2013 at the Sofitel Chain Bridge Hotel in Budapest, Hungary.

Please refer to the WIP website for the official meeting notice and preliminary agenda. Questions/comments should be directed to Dianne Willard, dianne.willard@worldinstituteofpain.org.

FIPP - Did You Know?

>> The average pass percentage for the FIPP Examination since 2009 is: ~74%.

>> Since 2012, only 5% of new applications for the FIPP examination are completed offline using a paper application. * The FIPP Board of Examination encourages ALL applicants to utilize the online eFIPP™ application. Continuing development of the eFIPP™ information system will be optimized with 100% utilization of the electronic application.

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WIP Announces EPP Award Recipients

Three pain centers have been recognized as Excellence in Pain Practice (EPP) centers of excellence by the EPP Award Committee of the World Institute of Pain:

- **Spine Institute Northwest** - Bothell, Washington, USA  
  (Director: Solomon Kamson, MD, FIPP)
  
  **Comprehensive Multidisciplinary Pain Practice**

- **Pain Physicians New York** - New York, NY, USA  
  (Director: Leonid Reyfman, MD, FIPP)
  
  **Multidisciplinary Clinical Pain Practice**

- **Neuro Pain Care, P.C.** - Fresh Meadows, New York, USA  
  (Director: Vikas Varma, MD, FIPP)
  
  **Multidisciplinary Clinical Pain Practice**

The World Institute of Pain established the EPP Award program to recognize pain centers that demonstrate clinical and scientific excellence, dedication to teaching physicians-in-training and mentoring young physicians in newly-established practices. Through its network of EPP Award pain centers, WIP aims to bolster networking between FIPPs and associate pain physicians in FIPP-member pain centers by promoting the best clinical practice and scholarly advancements in pain medicine globally.

WIP has recognized 20 centers of excellence representing 11 countries. More applications are in various stages of review. WIP encourages all FIPPs to apply for EPP recognition for their pain center, especially engaged in physician education and training.

Apply online via the WIP website. Inquiries may be directed to Ms. Dianne Willard at dianne.willard@worldinstituteofpain.org.
Impact Factor for Pain Practice increases to 2.605!

Thomson Reuters has announced the release of the 2013 edition of its Journal Citation Reports (JCR), an influential resource for evaluating peer-reviewed publications and the source of the annual Journal Impact Factors. Only a select number of journals are so ranked by Thomson for impact. The World Institute for Pain's official journal, Pain Practice, published by Wiley, was awarded an Impact Factor of 2.605. Pain Practice is now ranked 10th out of the 29 journals in the Anesthesiology subject category and 73rd out of 191 in Clinical Neurology subject category. This is a significant increase over our 2011 impact factor of 2.207 and rankings of 14/28 (Anesthesiology) and 89/192 (Clinical Neurology). According to Editor-in-Chief, Craig T. Hartrick, MD, “This may reflect both an increasing confidence on the part of our authors in our ability to disseminate their work and the continuing efforts to improve quality made by our editorial team and reviewers.” Pain Practice’s 2012 Impact Factor demonstrates the increased recognition of our journal in the field, and the improved relevance and quality. The WIP extends our deepest thanks to all our Editorial Board members, Reviewers, and Authors for their valuable contributions, and congratulations to Editor-in-Chief, Craig T. Hartrick, MD, Deputy Editor, Honorio Benzon, MD, and the Associate Editors on this achievement for the journal!

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Top Cited Articles 2012

The Role of Glia and the Immune System in the Development and Maintenance of Neuropathic Pain
Vallejo, Ricardo; Tilley, Dana M.; Vogel, Laura; et al.

Evidence-Based Guidelines for Interventional Pain Medicine according to Clinical Diagnoses
van Kleef, Maarten; Mekhail, Nagy; van Zundert, Jan

Current Understandings on Complex Regional Pain Syndrome
de Mos, Marissa; Sturkenboom, Miriam C. J. M.; Huygen, Frank J. P. M.

Long-term Safety and Tolerability of Tapentadol Extended Release for the Management of Chronic Low Back Pain or Osteoarthritis Pain
Wild, James E.; Grond, Stefan; Kuperwasser, Brigitte; et al.

A Double-blind, Randomized, Placebo-controlled Study of the Efficacy and Safety of Duloxetine for the Treatment of Chronic Pain Due to Osteoarthritis of the Knee
Chappell, Amy S.; Desaiah, Durisala; Liu-Seifert, Hong; et al.

Current Knowledge of Buprenorphine and Its Unique Pharmacological Profile
Pergolizzi, Joseph; Aloisi, Anna Maria; Dahan, Albert; et al.

The Role of Urine Drug Testing for Patients on Opioid Therapy
Joseph Pergolizzi, Macro Pappagallo, Joseph Stauffer, Christopher Gharibo, Neil Fortner, Mathew N. De Jesus, Michael J. Brennan, Charlotte Richmond and Desmond Hussey, The Integrated Drug Compliance Study Group (IDCSG)

Ultrastructural Changes in Axons Following Exposure to Pulsed Radiofrequency Fields
Erdine, Serdar; Bilir, Ayhan; Cosman, Eric R. Sr.; et al.

Complex Regional Pain Syndrome
van Eijs, Frank; Stanton-Hicks, Michael; Van Zundert, Jan; et al.

Benefits of Extended-Release Opioid Analgesic Formulations in the Treatment of Chronic Pain
Nicholson, Bruce

Top Downloaded Articles 2012

Joseph Pergolizzi, Rainer H. Boger, Keith Budd, et al

Intervetebrale Disc Anatomy - Physiology - Pathophysiology - Treatment
P. Prithvi Raj

Pharmacological Treatment of Neuropathic Cancer Pain: A Comprehensive Review of the Current Literature
Athina Vadalouca, Efklidis Raptis, eleni Moka, Panagiotis Zis, Panagiota Sykioti and Ioanna Siafaka

Current Understandings on Complex Regional Pain Syndrome
Marissa De Mos, Miriam C. J. M. Sturkenboom PharmD, Frank J.P. M. Huygen, et al.

Treatment of 94 Outpatients With Chronic Discogenic Low Back Pain with the DRX9000: A Retrospective Chart Review
Alex Macario, Charlotte Richmond, Martin Auster and Joseph V. Pergolizzi

Pelvic Girdle Pain and Low Back Pain in Pregnancy: A Review
Era Vermani, Rajnish Mittal, Andrew Weeks

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Complex Regional Pain Syndrome
Frank van Eijs, Michael Stanton-Hicks, Jan Van Zundert, et al

Phantom Pain
Andre Wolff, Eric Vanduynhoven, Maarten van Kleef, Frank Huygen, Jason E. Pope and Nagy Mekhail

Chronic Female Pelvic Pain - Part 2: Differential Diagnosis and Management
Patricia Nelson, Gail Apte, Rafael Justiz III, Jean-Michel Brismée, Gregory Dedrick and Philip S. Sizer Jr.
The WIP Benelux Section hosted its third Evidence-Based Interventional Pain Medicine According to Clinical Diagnoses conference and practical workshop in June 2013. This was a joint event of the departments of anesthesiology and pain management of the Maastricht University Medical Centre, Maastricht, The Netherlands and Ziekenhuis Oost-Limburg, Genk, Belgium. It was organized in collaboration with the department of Anatomy and Embryology of the Maastricht University, under the auspices of WIP, NVA, Pain Section and VAVP.

The theoretical session was conducted at La Butte aux Bois in Lanaken, Belgium; the advanced techniques workshop was conducted at the Multidisciplinary Pain Clinic in Lanaken, Belgium; and the hands-on cadaver workshop was conducted at the University of Maastricht, The Netherlands.

The workshop offered doctors with an interest in interventional pain management the possibility to assist in the theoretical sessions regarding the Evidence Based management guidelines according to clinical diagnoses. The interactive workshop was designed to guide participants through different aspects of neuropathic pain, low back pain and medical imaging.
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Brazil

EPP Award Center faculty of Singular - Campinas, of the Brazilian Section took their esteemed hands-on workshop for interventional pain physicians “on the road” to the USA - Miami, Florida to be exact.

The workshop, held at the Miami Anatomical Research Center (M.A.R.C.) was organized by Dr. Fabrício Dias Assis, MD, FIPP (Brazil) with Dr. Ira Fox, MD, FIPP (USA). All seats were filled!

Singular, an internationally-certified center of excellence in pain management, offers a variety of courses and events throughout the year for doctors wishing to specialize in pain management. Singular’s objective is to disseminate the best practices in interventional pain medicine and to standardize techniques in compliance with the guidelines of the World Institute of Pain (WIP), international association of which we are a member.

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Start Date: March 2014
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Duration: 9 modules, Friday night and Saturday, once a month from March to November
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TESTIMONIAL
The course in Brazil provides us with an opportunity to train with excellent and accessible professionals who are willing to help us with our more difficult cases. Training with them makes the techniques seem easier to do! Classes are very interesting and course content covers all aspects of pain management. I enjoy it a lot and have been recommending it to my co-workers and to those who ask me about it! - DR. DANIELA MEDEIROS, São Paulo - SP

Enroll now and guarantee a place!

Contact: cursos@singular.med.br
India

Date:    14 – 17 November 2013
Venue:   Oberoi Grand, Jawaharlal Nehru Rd, Kolkata, West Bengal, India
Organized by:  World Institute of Pain Foundation

We are excited to invite you to attend the 1st World Symposium of the WIP Foundation, to explore the theme of “Global Pain Suffering, and Solution to its Eradication”. This dynamic program will be co-presented with the 3rd International Conference of Intervention Pain Management to provide the most up-to-date information on the best practices of pain management worldwide.

Efforts are underway to invite world experts, important NGOs, and other patient advocacy groups to participate in this unique forum. Kolkata has been chosen to showcase this event because of its proximity to east and west cultures and societies. We are enthusiastic to share with you all that Kolkata has to offer, both as a leader in scientific developments, and its fantastic geographical diversity and historical and cultural importance.

The consortium of pain societies are extremely honored and pleased to have an affirmation ceremony for the Declaration of Miami in Kolkata, in conjunction with the world symposium. This impactful event will provide the opportunities for other societies in Asia and beyond to be the signatories and to collaborate their ideas to bring the meaning of the Declaration to life.

Dates have been chosen to be in proximity to the Diwali Festival, the highlight of Indian culture. We hope you can spend some time enjoying the sights and sounds of magnificent India for an unforgettable experience.

Please join us for this historic event, and mark your stamp on the eradication of suffering worldwide.

See you in Kolkata!

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Mediterranean

Following the very successful meetings in Santorini “Algos 2002” and in Mykonos “Algos 2009” the latest evidence-based and best practice-based Pain Medicine will be presented through a comprehensive program during “Algos 2013” September 26-29 in the Greek Island of Kos, the Birthplace of Hippocrates, founder of Western Medicine.

Join us in this really blessed place!

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Please share your news, photos, and calendar of events with us that illustrate promotion of the WIP mission.

Personal accolades, outstanding recognition for your pain center, significant cutting-edge research initiatives, speaking engagements -- tell us about it!

Send your email to Dianne Willard at: dianne.willard@worldinstituteofpain.org OR call: 1-336-760-2933.

Thank you!

Hungary

The Hungarian Section is preparing to host the 18th Annual Advanced Pain Conference and Practical Workshop to be held August 26-28, 2013 in Budapest. This year’s host hotel is the Sofitel Chain Bridge Hotel. The workshop will again be held in the beautiful Semmelweis University Pathology Lab.

Dr. James Heavner is organizing the Budapest Conference Scientific Program with some 40 international speakers. The local arrangements chairman, Dr. Edit Racz of Budapest, is serving her 17th year as the motor behind the success of the Budapest Conference.

The Budapest Conference allows for the incredible Hungarian experiences traditionally provided at this event, and we hope you are there with us for the sights, flavors and sounds of Budapest from the opening reception on Monday evening, August 26 where the local Hungarian dancers bring the color and sound of their art and also the annual Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, August 27.

Dr. Gabor Racz invites you to share in the Hungarian experience and the opportunity to recall memories during this 20th anniversary year of WIP. Register via www.congressline.hu/pain2013.
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For more recommended study aids for the FIPP examination, please refer to the latest FIPP Information Bulletin posted on the FIPP website: [www.worldinstituteofpain.org/fipp](http://www.worldinstituteofpain.org/fipp).


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Manual of RF Techniques, 3rd Edition. Charles A. Gauci’s “how to” handbook on the essentials of RF pain management procedures, including facet denervation, PRF of the DRG, sympathetic RF, facial RF, RF cordotomy, and peripheral nerve RF.

Pain Management: Current Issues and Opinions, Edited by Gabor B. Racz and Carl E. Noe. Written by international experts who cover a number of topics about current pain management problems. Available in hard copy and online open-access download. Over 2,000 downloads worldwide of Racz chapter 17!

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Warmest regards,

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World Symposium | Pain solutions with a purpose

Conference Highlights

- World experts discuss global pain challenges and solutions
- Pre-conference review course for trainees
- Hands-on workshop and mock exam for FIPP preparation
- Poster presentation from international researchers
- Exhibition of latest pain innovations and equipment

Check out our Facebook page!
Cosman Medical and the WIP Foundation have joined together to create a pain physician assistance program to refurbish used radiofrequency (RF) generators and supply them to developing countries. If you have an old Radionics 3C plus Generator to donate, please contact us. We will bear the cost of shipping and repair to refurbish for a pain clinic or hospital in need.

The WIP Foundation, founded in 2010, aims to provide resources for training, education and awareness in pain management, both to the physician and patient. Its mission is to serve developing and underdeveloped countries by facilitating global outreach programs, providing training and education scholarships in pain medicine, and collaborating with world experts to eradicate pain and suffering in all communities.

Cosman Medical represents 60 years of pioneering and leadership in RF generator and electrode technology and now offers the most modern, reliable, and functional equipment ever built. Bernard J. Cosman, who founded Radionics, Inc. In 1938 after graduating from MIT, built the first commercial RF lesion generator in 1952. His son, Professor Eric. R. Cosman of the MIT Physics Department, directed Radionics from 1970 to 2000 and created dozens of RF generator models, including the RFG-3C plus.

This joint pain physician assistance program will focus on obsolete RF generators, specifically Radionics 3C plus, that will be serviced by Cosman Medical and supplied to selected FIPPs in developing countries for the performance of radiofrequency procedures. The end result will be the provision of advanced pain care technology and methods to developing and underdeveloped countries and use of the technology by trained physicians in pain management, which would not necessarily be accessible or affordable without this program.

Recipients will be assessed by an educational subcommittee of WIPF. The educational subcommittee of WIPF will coordinate identification and delivery of unwanted Radionics RFG-3C plus generators to the Cosman Medical facility in Massachusetts, USA. Cosman Medical will evaluate and make a reasonable effort to repair up to two (2) Radionics RFG-3C Plus generators for each year of the venture.

The World Institute of Pain Foundation and Cosman Medical are extremely proud to partner together on this ground-breaking solution to eradicate pain and suffering in developing countries.

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Cosman Chapter on RF Physics and History in New Textbook


Prof. Eric Cosman, Sr., PhD and Dr. Eric Cosman, Jr., PhD authored a chapter on radiofrequency physics and history in the textbook "Pain-Relieving Procedures: The Illustrated Guide" by Dr. Prithvi Raj, MBBS, FFARCS (Eng), FIPP and Prof. Serdar Erdine, MD, FIPP. The chapter covers mechanisms of thermal and pulsed radiofrequency, and the history of radiofrequency in neurosurgery and pain management since the 1950's.

For more information, please visit the Cosman Medical website: www.cosmanmedical.com.
2nd Annual Golf Senior Pro-Am Invitational Raises Over $20,000 for the WIP Foundation

Letter from Trustee, Ira B. Fox, MD, FIPP

It is with great pleasure that I am able to provide great news regarding the second annual Senior Pro Am Golf Tournament for the benefit of the WIP Foundation that took place at TPC Eagle Trace on April 15, 2013.

As you know, my group Anesthesia Pain Care Consultants was again the Prime Sponsor and with the help of the Sunbelt Senior Tour and members of a dedicated committee we were able to meet our goal of more than doubling last year’s fundraising effort. We not only raised $20,415 this year, but have successfully made progress towards building the event for the future.

The event was well attended with 27 teams competing on a world-class golf course that held the Honda Classic PGA Tournament during its early years. The participants enjoyed great course conditions while playing with some really fantastic senior professionals. Although the weather threatened somewhat, we were able to finish on time and have a nice dinner with awards and drinks afterwards. We auctioned memorabilia and people generously participated in a 50 - 50 raffle. The winner of the raffle graciously donated back $500 of his winnings!

I want to extend special thanks to this year’s committee and sponsors. I especially want to recognize Curt Black, my CFO as well as Dr. Andrew Wasserman, a local Chiropractor and dear friend. Their work was essential in helping us succeed.

I am hopeful we can extend our effort into the future for years to come as people will look forward to attending this annual function.

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Thank you to all of our supporters!
Life at Your Doorstep

Hyderabad, India

*Life At Your Doorstep* provides skilled medical, psycho-social, economic and spiritual support to terminally ill patients and their families. The service is provided by a team of well-trained and compassionate nurses and counsellors, guided by experienced palliative care physicians. The dedicated home care team not only attends to physical problems such as severe pain, breathlessness, and malignant wounds, but also provides skilled psychosocial and spiritual support. Educating and preparing the family for probable changes at the end of life is another key role of the trained home care team.

One of the greatest fears of the terminally ill is dying alone, in a sterile impersonal environment with tubes thrust into their veins, spending the last few days in unfamiliar surroundings. They are plagued by the fear of dying in pain. They look forward to a pain-free end surrounded by their loved ones. To dispel this fear the following services are provided.

**Services Provided**

- Assistance in day-to-day activities.
- 24×7 help line services
- Prescription management.
- Bed sore prevention/care and Wound management
- Respiratory management
- Pain and symptom management
- Assistance with procedure like Urinary catheterization, Ascites tapping, Enema, feeding tube insertion and management
- Lymphedema and stoma management
- Nutrition & Hydration
- Psychological and spiritual support
- Support and education for family/care givers
- Bereavement support

*Life At Your Doorstep* provides the dying patient and his/her family an opportunity to access care with compassion so that the final exit can happen with dignity.
WIPF is proud to support this on-going project and hopes that with the continued funding, and resources, *Life At Your Doorstep* will be a sustainable program affecting many pain patients in pain, and improving their quality of life.

If you'd like to donate to this project, please click “Donate” www.wipfoundation.org, and note “Life” in the comment box.
2013 Advanced Pain Conferences * Workshops * Congresses
Nov 14-17  1st World Symposium of WIP Foundation, Kolkata, India | www.worldpain2013.com
Dec 5-6            Comprehensive Reviews on Spinal Imaging and RF in Interventional Pain Mgmt – Radisson Blue Portman Hotel & Anatomy Dept St. George's University of London - UK – Contact: M.H. Ather (muhammadather@aol.com)

FIPP Examination Schedule | www.worldinstituteofpain.org/fipp | Contact: mark.tolliver@worldinstituteofpain.org

2014 Advanced Pain Conferences * Workshops * Congresses
May 7-10    WIP 7th World Congress — Maastricht, The Netherlands | www.kenes.com/wip2014

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