



World Federation of
Intensive and Critical Care

WFICC

NEWSLETTER

*"Promoting the highest standards of
Intensive and Critical Care Medicine
for all humankind, without discrimination."*



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At the World Federation of Intensive and Critical Care Medicine, our **mission** is to promote the highest standards of Intensive and Critical Care Medicine for all humankind, without discrimination. Regardless of their background, every individual deserves access to the best possible care during their most critical moments.



Our commitment is rooted in **equality, excellence, and compassion**. We strive to ensure that all healthcare professionals have the knowledge, skills, and resources to provide exceptional care. Our 2025-2030 strategic plan outlines our primary goals for the next five years. These include defining **global priorities** for intensive care expansion, setting strategic goals based on results-based management, and providing frameworks to measure our performance. We aim to identify and implement goals regionally, focusing on those responsible for these implementations and presenting our strategies in an accessible manner for decision-makers and implementers.

"Let us work hand in hand to achieve our shared goal: delivering the highest standards of care to every patient, everywhere."

Jorge Hidalgo
President
WFICM

In these challenging times, the role of Intensive and Critical Care Medicine has never been more vital. We are dedicated to supporting our members and the broader healthcare community with **up-to-date information, innovative solutions, and a platform for sharing experiences and best practices**. Together, we can overcome barriers, embrace diversity, and foster a culture of **inclusivity**.



DUBAI SUMMIT

The WFICC Council held a successful inaugural regional meeting hosted by the Emirates Intensive Care Society in Dubai in May, 2024. Highlights of the meeting included the signing of a historic **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between WFICC and The World Health Organization (WHO)**, solidifying a key relationship and growing collaboration between the two organizations with a focus on emergency, critical and operative care. WFICC is already advising the WHO on several educational project, including a basic critical care course aimed at improving education and access to critical care services across the globe. Drs. Lee Wallace and Amelia Latu Afuhaamango Tuipulotu from the WHO were in attendance to discuss collaborative efforts and to formally sign the MOU. The board members from the **World Federation of Critical Care Nurses** also attended a collaborative meeting with WFICC and WHO representatives to discuss efforts to improve critical care services across the globe.



In addition to the WHO collaboration, the Council unanimously approved a 5-year **strategic plan** focused on **4 key pillars**; the development and distribution of educational resources, optimizing visibility and public exposure of WFICC, facilitating active membership and expansion of member societies, and developing an outreach strategy. Finally, the Council continued its work to plan an excellent **World Congress to be held in Vancouver, Canada in September 2025** in collaboration with Canadian Critical Care Society. Finally, Council members presented at the conference on a variety of topics and exchanged ideas with collaborators from across the world.

The WFICC Council extends it's sincere gratitude to the leaders of the Emirates Intensive Care Society for hosting the first WFICC regional meeting. The Council established several key accomplishments during the meeting that will inform our work for years to come.





WFICC Profiles

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*"Our journey will be characterized by our desire to **inform**, to **connect**, to **engage** and above all, to **enable** our society members and others to act in support of our common objective"*



- Phil Taylor -
CEO, WFICC

BIO

Phil has been the cornerstone of WFICC since the 8th World Congress in Sydney, Australia in 2001, evolving from Secretariat, to Executive Director and eventually CEO. His career includes sales, marketing and general management experience in pharmaceutical and healthcare consulting. In his CEO role, Phil is primarily responsible for supporting the Executive Committee and Council during their periods in office with a particular emphasis on **leadership**, **administration** and **communications**. He has overseen significant changes, including a change of brand (from WFSICCM to WFICC), incorporation as an international not-for-profit association in Belgium, an increase in the frequency of World Congress, and growth in the number of national and multinational society members. Despite these changes, the WFICC has remained **true to the objective** established when the WFICC was formed at the 2nd World Congress in Paris in 1977 – *to promote the highest standards of intensive and critical care medicine for all humankind, without discrimination.*

*Phil is the first **point of contact** for individuals, societies and professional organisations wishing to engage with the WFICC.*

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Member Society Profile



شعبة الإمارات للعناية المركزة
Emirates Intensive Care Society

- Hussain Al Rahma -
President
Emirates Intensive Care Society



Society Profile

Emirates Intensive Care Society (EICS) formulated in 2004 after a successful effort of Dr Hussain Al Rahma. Current team includes Dr Ashraf Elhoufi (Vice president), Dr Zeyad Alraes, Dr Asaad Alsabah, Dr Zainab Obaida and Dr Naheed Elahi). EICS represented the spark that initiated the intensive care activities in UAE as the only dedicated critical care society.

One of the biggest and most important EICS achievement in the field of critical care was the launch of the first dedicated critical care conference in the same year - The **Emirates Critical Care Conference (ECCC)**.

ECCC over 20 years grew exponentially to become the biggest critical care conference in the middle east, in its last version ECCC Dubai 2024 (20th edition), it achieved a tremendous success with over 2000 attendees, 305 speakers "Local, Regional and international", 10 courses and workshops.

This year's edition **hosted the first Global Summit** of the World Federation of Intensive and Critical Care WFICC which witnessed the contribution of the entire WFICC council members in the scientific program which added richness to the already magnificent event. It was a memorable event where east met the west in Dubai UAE.

EICS in addition organizes regular monthly educational activities and training workshops which are well attended and very well appreciated not only by critical care community in Dubai but all Emirates of UAE.



For more information
www.eccc-dubai.com



WFICC Out and About



Upcoming Events

2024

CCSSA

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Date:

22nd - 25th August 2024

Venue:

Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg

INTERNATIONAL INVITED SPEAKERS

Prof Nicholas Hart

United Kingdom

Prof Manu Malbrain

Belgium

Prof Xavier Monnet

France

Dr Caio Morais

Brazil

Prof Shelia Myatra

India

Dr Gladness Nethathe

Australia

Prof Mark Nichols

Australia

Prof Aarti Sarwal

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WCICC2025

17th World Congress of Intensive and Critical Care

SAVE THE DATE

Sept 16 - 19, 2025

Vancouver, Canada

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