



**WFSA**  
WORLD FEDERATION OF SOCIETIES OF  
ANAESTHESIOLOGISTS

WFSA unites anaesthesiologists around the world for the enhancement of patient care

## **World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists Commitment to Action** September 2016

The World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists (WFSA) is pleased to announce support of the Patient Safety Movement Foundation (PSMF) and their mission to eliminate preventable deaths by 2020 (OX2020).

The WFSA is the foremost global alliance of anaesthesiologists. It is our mission to improve patient care, and access to safe anaesthesia, by uniting anaesthesiologists around the world. We deliver our mission through programmes that are implemented in partnership with National Societies of Anaesthesiology and other organisations that share our objectives. We work with the World Health Organisation (WHO), with governments, with other standard setters, with surgical organisations, with NGOs, with hospitals and with training centres and we welcome partnerships with organisations that support safe surgery and recognise that safe anaesthesia is an essential element of the same.

**As a committed organization, WFSA will demonstrate their commitment to the PSMF by undertaking actions including, but not limited to:**

1. Spreading the mission of OX2020 to WFSA members.
2. Annually disseminating Actionable Patient Safety Solutions (APSS) to relevant WFSA members.
3. Updating and disseminating the WFSA's International Standards for a Safe Practice of Anaesthesia.
4. Asking members working in hospitals to implement APSS or their own process to eliminate preventable deaths, and make commitments to action to reduce preventable patient deaths in hospitals.
5. Working with the PSMF to develop versions of APSS that are appropriate for healthcare organizations in low-resource countries.

We at the WFSA are excited to announce this commitment and plan to attend the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual World Patient Safety, Science & Technology Summit, Feb 3-4, 2017 in Dana Point, CA to formally, for the first time publically, announce the commitment.

Signed,

**World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists**

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