

# 2015 World Report on Women's Health says more work needs to be done

*International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics*

VANCOUVER , BC, CANADA , October 6, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Vancouver, BC, Tuesday, October 6, 2015— The International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) - representing

125 national societies of obstetricians and gynecologists worldwide - released today at the XXI World Congress of Gynecology and Obstetrics— its triennial 2015 World Report on Women's Health entitled, *The Unfinished Agenda of Women's Reproductive Health*.



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The 2015 World Report is a comprehensive review of current and new perspectives and approaches to maternal health, reproductive health and leadership and management being implemented on the ground worldwide.

“As we celebrate the successes of the Millennium Development Goal era, positive growth for universal health

care and, most importantly, the recent united adoption of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and targets, it is important for us to remember that the recent successes in women's health do not mean we have eliminated women's reproductive health problems,” says Dr. C. N. Purandare, President elect of FIGO and Guest Editor of the 2015 World Report on Women's Health.

“Our world has an unfinished agenda in women's reproductive health,” says Dr. Richard M. Adanu, Co-Guest Editor of the 2015 World Report on Women's Health and Editor of the *International Journal of Gynecology and Obstetrics (IJGO)*, FIGO's journal. “This Report shows us there are many women's health challenges we have not overcome and we need to collectively strategize to find new approaches or to persist with proven and successful interventions,” adds Dr. Adanu.

The Report articles feature work in these areas:

- Maternal health

- maternal deaths, obstetric care, perinatal morbidity, personalized medicine, type 2 diabetes prevention, new drug regimens for HIV in pregnancy, induction of labor and cesarean delivery.

- Reproductive health

- cancer of the cervix, HPV vaccination prevention, breast cancer, adolescent sexual and reproductive health, newborn deaths, abuse and disrespect during childbirth, access to safe legal abortion, methods of contraception, fistula surgery training.

- Leadership and management

- Task shifting and the role of health professional organizations in improving maternal and newborn health

Please see the attached Backgrounder for a brief description of the Report articles.

The 2015 World Report on Women's Health is published by FIGO every three years to coincide with

its World Congress.

The International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) is a non-profit organization that brings together obstetrical and gynecological associations from 125 countries/territories worldwide. It is dedicated to the improvement of women's health and rights and to the reduction of disparities in healthcare available to women and newborns, as well as to advancing the science and practice of obstetrics and gynecology. Based in London, the organization hosts a triennial World Congress that draws more than 7,000 women's health scientists, clinicians, and other allied health professionals to present the latest science and best clinical practice in obstetrics and gynecology.

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