



International Federation of Physiotherapists
working in
Occupational Health and Ergonomics

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Dear Member Organisations,

We bring you the fourth IFPOHE Newsletter for 2026, please share with your members.

Recent Webinar

On September 23rd the Australian Physiotherapy Association (APA) held a webinar run by Occupational Health Physiotherapy Australia national group members, led by Charlotte Gerner in collaboration with Rose Boucaut (IFPOHE Chair).

The session was titled: Beyond the Clinic: Assessing the Worker, the Work and the Workplace. This involved discussion about undertaking a worksite visit, conducting task analysis and developing a job dictionary.

The APA have advised that access can be provided to members of IFPOHE Member Organisations at no cost via the cpd4physios (details for access yet to be confirmed). It may be useful for those of you in search of relevant, free CPD.

Upcoming Events

1. Europe Region WP Congress 5-6 November in Madrid, Spain

Are you going to the November Congress in Madrid? The Spanish occupational health and ergonomics group [*Asociación Española De Fisioterapeutas En Fisioterapia En El Trabajo Y Ergonomia*] plans a get together on Wednesday November 4th late afternoon.

If you will be in Madrid that afternoon prior to the Congress and are interested in joining us, please contact Executive Committee member Beatriz Sanz-Bustillo (beabustillo@telefonica.net) with the following mail subject: ERWP Congress OHE Gathering.

Details are yet to be defined and will be distributed via IFPOHE's LinkedIn group.

Looking forward to sharing an enriching moment together.



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2. ACPOHE Webinar Series

ACPOHE International Membership [Memberships](#) | [ACPOHE](#)

Health professionals working in occupational health and ergonomics are invited to join the Association of Chartered Physiotherapists in Occupational Health and Ergonomics (ACPOHE) as International Members.

Annual membership fee: £50

- Membership provides access to:
- Live and recorded educational webinars
- Professional learning resources
- Continuing professional development opportunities
- An international community of occupational health physiotherapists

For webinar registration and membership information, please visit the **ACPOHE website**.

Reminder that ACPOHE Webinar recordings will be available to ACPOHE members!

IFPOHE Call for Activities – 2027

IFPOHE invites all Member Organisations to share their 2026-2027 activities and initiatives (e.g., conferences, webinars, training, research, or advocacy actions) in occupational health physiotherapy and ergonomics.

Your input will help us **showcase global IFPOHE activity**, **strengthen collaboration** across the network and **promote your initiatives** internationally.

Submit your activity to us @ ifpohe.worldphysiotherapy@gmail.com

Please include basic details (title, date, format, and whether participation or collaboration is open). You may also send supporting materials (flyers, links). Thank you for contributing to a stronger, more connected IFPOHE community.



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IFPOHE Executive Committee Elections

Upcoming General Meeting and Elections 2027

IFPOHE will hold an e-General Meeting in 2027, in advance of the World Physiotherapy Congress in May, in Guadalajara, Mexico.

In 2027 elections for IFPOHE Executive Committee members will be held. Most committee members will stand for re-election, it is anticipated two positions will become vacant, possibly more. Advice of dates will be shared at least three months in advance. Visit the IFPOHE website for more information from the [Constitution in particular items numbered 12-24](#). Current Committee Members welcome your interest in nominating for these positions. We will be seeking some help to manage the elections and require both one Returning and one Receiving Officer— let us know if you wish to assist with these jobs.

Membership

- I. Discussions are currently underway with the Mexico group which is interested in becoming an IFPOHE Member. Documentation is currently being completed.
- II. To get to know others working in Occupational Health and Ergonomics in your World Physiotherapy Region the Executive Committee members from your region are working towards having “get to know” you type of Zoom meetings.
- III. We plan to have an international webinar for Members of the Asia Western Pacific Region in 2027 so we can share information and learn from each other about current events, successes and challenges in the region. You will all be welcome to attend and we plan it to be a free session. Watch out for more information as we sort out dates

With our best wishes,
from the Executive Committee

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