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Statement on safety of health professionals in the workplace

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WONCA released the following statement in May 2024:

In the face of escalating tensions and violence around the world, WONCA seeks the global cessation of all violence as a solution to conflict, and condemns both terrorism and oppression of vulnerable peoples everywhere. WONCA supports all health professionals working in areas of conflict, and continues to call for particular attention to the protection of all patients and frontline health workers and any health care facility where persons go to seek aid for illness and injury.

In light of another recent death of a health care professional in their place of work, WONCA expands on this statement.

WONCA condemns any abuse or violence against health care workers resulting in injury or death. Health care institutions and governments need to ensure a safe workplace for health care workers.

We stand together with our medical colleagues in advocating for an end to violence against all health care workers, in any work setting.