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## UEMO 2001/028

### UEMO Working Group on Prescribing Drugs in General Practice

#### **Aim**

To produce a UEMO policy statement on prescribing drugs in general practice, taking into account the different health care systems represented in the UEMO, but focusing on areas of common concern.

Once the statement is adopted, this policy can be used as a basis for lobbying activities by national delegations and by the UEMO in the European institutions. It should also be circulated to the Standing Committee of European Doctors and other European Medical Bodies.

#### **Timescale**

The Working Group met for the first time in Florence, May 2000, and has already gathered information on the current situation in UEMO member countries.

#### *End of April 2001*

A draft statement will be circulated electronically to all members of the working group for comment.

#### *Malta meeting, June 2001*

The working group will finalise the draft statement, taking into account comments received, and present to the general assembly.

#### *June - Mid September 2001*

National delegations to submit comments on the draft statement.

#### *Venice meeting, October 2001*

Statement finalised and presented to the general assembly for adoption.

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The Chairman believes that the working group will have completed its task by October 2001 and would therefore disband.

### **Website presence**

The Chairman would welcome the opportunity for a working group presence on the UEMO website. The issue is one which generates a great deal of interest, and a discussion forum to allow members and, if possible, ordinary GPs to exchange information on current concerns in this area would be extremely helpful. The group would also like to publish the draft statement on the website, in order to make the consultation process easier.

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