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A warm welcome to Turku and NCGP2024!

Abstract submission and registration is open.
Check important dates at www.ncgp.fi.

The 23rd Nordic Congress of General Practice (NCGP) will be held in Turku, Finland, on 11th to 14th of June 2024. The organizers invite young and experienced GPs, GP researchers and educators to Turku to meet new and familiar faces and to explore the most recent innovations and research in the field of primary health care.

Biennial scientific congress

The NCGP is a biennial scientific congress, which has been arranged since 1979. The five Nordic countries host these highly appreciated congresses on a rotational basis. The previous congresses in Aalborg (2019) and Stavanger (2022) are still remembered for the excellent scientific programs and many enthusiastic conversations between Nordic colleagues.

According to the Nordic Federation of General Practice, the main purpose of the congress is “*to strengthen the network and identity among Nordic general practitioners, and to facilitate research, teaching and quality development*”.

As the main theme of the NCGP2024 in Turku is “General practice – the bedrock of healthcare; respecting the core values”, the program will highlight the very basis of

general practice through the Nordic core values and principles published in 2020 by the NFGP.

Keynote lectures on core values

The keynote lectures will each focus on one of the core values, starting with the presentation of **Anna Stavdal**, who is currently president of WONCA World. Her topic is “*We promote continuity of doctor-patient relationships as a central organizing principle*”. Another keynote speaker is





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Mogens Vestergaard from Aarhus University. His topic is "*Securing sustainable services: Future challenges and core values in general practice*".

Clinical workshops and symposia

Participants will also find interesting workshops and symposia on clinical themes, specifically topics such as research, education, culture and GP wellbeing.

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Focus on sustainability

Sustainable solutions will be given special attention by the organizers. The city of Turku is easily reached by train and boat if participants would like to go by other means than airplane. Moreover, recycled materials and local food items will be used throughout the congress.

Lots of sights

Besides the congress, there are lots of sights to be seen in Turku! Being the first capital of Finland, the lovely summer city has a long and interesting history. The congress delegates will be able to enjoy wonderful cultural events

and excellent restaurants. The river Aura, flowing through the center, is the heart of the city. It can easily be followed to the sea on foot or bike. As delegates will have free access to the regional buses (city buses and water bus) of Turku during the congress, an excursion to the Finnish Archipelago or Moomin World in the neighboring town of Naantali will surely enchant visitors.

Keep updated

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Hope to see you in Turku! //

