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## Health Technology Assessment – Naturopathy (HTA)

The HTA on Naturopathy has been officially published and distribution to members is well underway. As a cost-savings measure, the HTA was printed and mailed out to members from Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom. We would like to thank NHAA and GCRN for their assistance with the mailing. When you receive your copy of the HTA, please send us a picture of you with the book and quote that we can use in the launch materials for the HTA. Once all members have received the HTA, we will be starting our training on how to use the HTA in your government relations initiatives. Thank you to all those members that filled out the HTA survey.

### Natural Health Products Researched For the Pandemic

The WNF, with researchers from the Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine, is compiling a list of systematic reviews on natural health products (vitamins, minerals, herbal medicines, nutrition, etc.). The scope of the analysis includes natural products researched with respect to prevention of COVID, the treatment of COVID and/or the treatment or management of post-COVID syndrome (aka Long-haulers). The attention that natural products have received is substantially greater than first thought. The reviews will be posted on the WNF website by the end of April.

### Educational Committee

In March, 20 representatives from 14 different naturopathic schools and organizations had a fulsome discussion on the challenges and benefits of technology-enhanced learning for various aspects of the naturopathic curriculum. The decision was made to provide further opportunities for members to share their experiences as we all embrace the tremendous changes that are occurring in the delivery of education around the world. Stay tuned for the future dates to continue these discussions.

### Membership Renewals

Our 2022 renewal period is nearing completion and we thank all those members that have already renewed. The funding of the WNF is primarily through membership and we are pleased to be representing naturopathic organizations in all WHO Regions.

If you have not yet renewed, please do so this week. If you are unable to find your renewal invoice, please contact [info@worldnaturopathicfederation.org](mailto:info@worldnaturopathicfederation.org).

### Professional Mapping Committee

We are in the very final stages of the document analysis and close to entering the next phase of the Professional Mapping research project.

Jill Dunn, lead researcher for this project, will be contacting representatives from countries within the case study to interview them concerning the status of education and regulation in their country. We encourage you to participate in this important initiative.

### Communications Committee

The HTA - Naturopathy has been the subject of numerous posts, both from the WNF and from our community. As more members continue to receive their copies, we expect the excitement to continue. The WNF's Environmental Health Campaign was another communications top topic through our 5 social media accounts that reached a wide community. Other activities include sharing member's posts, campaigns, and meetings. To date the WNF has 8259 followers via social media and has reached 36663 individuals with the WNF communications in that 1st Quarter 2022.

### Environmental Pollutants Committee

Over the last nine months the Environmental Pollutants Committee has been working with the WNF Communications Committee in a social media initiative that has resulted in 252 posts that have reached over 54,557 individuals. The areas of focus have included food, kitchen products, microbiome, and EMF. Over the next few months, the Environmental Pollutants Committee will continue to work on updating new topics on the WNF Environmental Pollutants website with the aim of reinitiating a social media initiative in the fall.