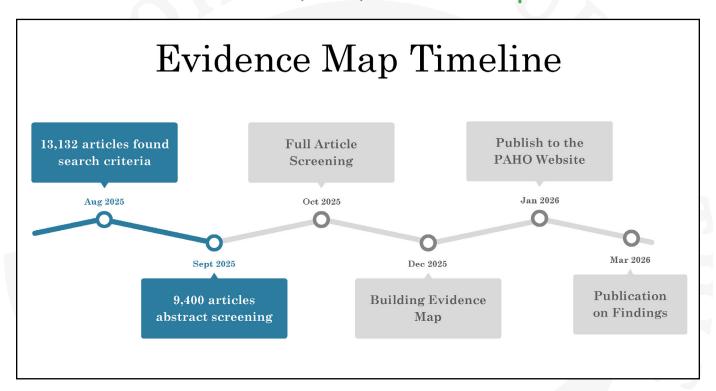


# 3rd Quarter Update 2025

## **Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Evidence Map**

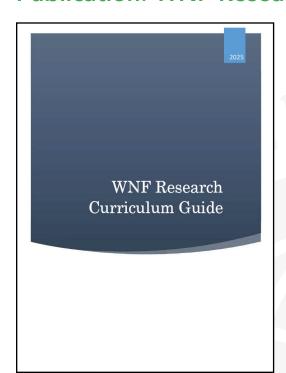


The WNF is in the 1st phase of an Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Evidence Map on natural health products that are effective in the prevention and/or treatment of Antimicrobial resistance. The <u>WNF AMR Committee</u> is working with a research consultant on the 1st phase of the project, then they will be collaborating with the <u>Brazilian Academic Consortium of Integrative Health (CABSIN)</u> and the <u>Latin American and Caribbean Center on Health Sciences Information (BIREME)</u> (a <u>PAHO/WHO</u> regional office) and home to 12 other Traditional Medicine Evidence Maps, on the completion and publication of the AMR Evidence Map.

This project is possible due to the financial support of Nestlé Health Sciences and the dedication of the volunteers from the WNF AMR Committee. The <u>WNF AMR website</u> has also be updated to provide additional information for naturopathic practitioners and the public on AMR itself.

An AMR Evidence Map will play a significant role in ensuring that the naturopathic profession is recognized as leaders in the global fight against AMR resistance.

### Publication: WNF Research Curriculum Guideline



The <u>WNF Research Working Group</u>, under the guidance of Anne Gimalac, Dr. Andrea Bugaric, PhD, & Dr. Kieran Cooley ND have completed a detailed <u>Naturopathic Research Curriculum Guide</u>.

The aim of this guide is to support enhanced naturopathic educational standards globally. The Guide was the first step to support the efficient implementation of research into established and developing 2500-hour naturopathic educational programs. Moving forward, the WNF Research Working Group is committed to further developing resources to facilitate implementation of research into naturopathic educational programs and to supporting increased naturopathic research capacity globally.

This Guide is part of the <u>WNF Educational Committee</u> initiative to support established and developing naturopathic educational programs that are working towards the guidelines set for a 2500-hour naturopathic practitioner program.

## Naturopathic Clinical Care Guideline Working Group

There is a growing global need for the naturopathic profession to codify its approach to healthcare. As a result, the WNF has initiated a Working Group that will create a template for **naturopathic clinical care guidelines (NCCG)**. What will be unique about the naturopathic NCCGs is that they will **focus on assessment and re-assessment; not on treatment**. The NC-CGs will stay true to the principles and theories that guide naturopathic practice and that are applicable for naturopathic doctors and naturopaths globally.

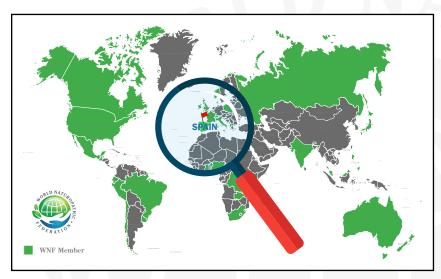


The NCCG working group is composed of <u>Full</u> and <u>Educational</u> Members from around the globe, as well as two naturopathic research advisors.

Throughout the process, a number of surveys will be done to ensure that the voice of the global naturopathic profession is included in this process. We will be discussing the importance of NCCGs, the impact that they will have on the global naturopathic profession, and the opportunities that they will provide, during the upcoming <u>WNF General Assembly</u>. The results of those discussions will be shared with all members. Stay tuned for more updates and for surveys requesting your input.

## "Greetings from . . . "

"Greetings from . . . " the WNF's one-hour informal conversation with our members recently celebrated its fifth edition. This episode turned the spotlight on naturopathy in <u>Spain</u>. Thank you to host, OCN FENACO's Vice President International Relations, Tina Hausser and to presenters Manuel Navarro, President; Nicole González Barragán, Executive Vice President; Maria José Sala, Chair of Research; and Jesús Cornejo Chair of Education. Key points included:



- History: Naturopathy in Spain can trace its roots to 1922 when a Naturopathic Doctor returned to his home country after graduating from Benedict Lust's Naturopathic school in New York.
- **Education:** The first naturopathic school was opened three years later in Barcelona.
- Association: OCN FENACO was founded in 1984. It's self governance process involves a "White Book on Naturopathy" which outlines the rights and duties

of the naturopathic profession, including an ethical code, as well as quality and safety standards of naturopathic practice.

• **Regulatory Efforts:** Spain is working towards formal regulation including a request for naturopathic education to be part of university studies.

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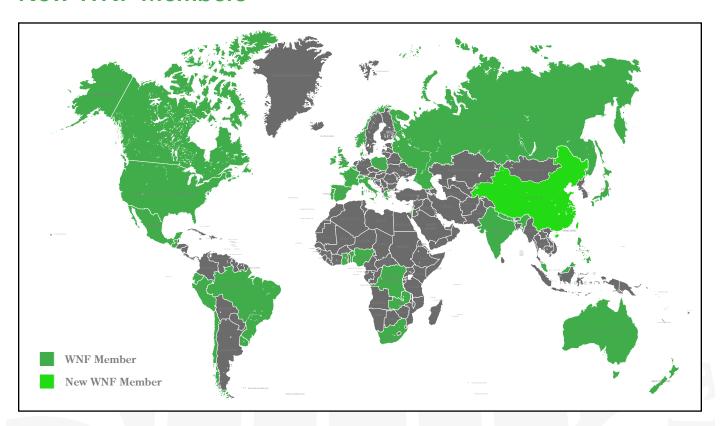
## Interprofessional & Interorganizational Naturopathic Survey

The <u>WNF Research Committee</u> has initiated a Interprofessional and Interorganizational Naturopathic Survey. The purpose of this study is to investigate the nature and impact of interprofessional and interorganizational collaboration within the global naturopathic profession. Using a conceptual framework that spans organizational, procedural, relational, and contextual dimensions, the research aims to identify the structures and processes that support effective collaboration, and the outcomes associated with it. Data will be collected via two tailored surveys – one targeting individual natu-



ropathic practitioners and the other targeting organizations – distributed internationally through professional networks. The findings will contribute to a deeper understanding of collaborative practices in naturopathy, informing future policy, education, and integrative healthcare models. The surveys will be shared with the naturopathic community in the next few months.

### **New WNF Members**



The WNF's international footprint took another giant step in 2025 with new members from several key world regions. Important inroads were made into the Eastern Mediterranean (Israel) and Asia (China). Please welcome the following new members:

#### Full

- <u>Israeli Naturopathic Association</u> (Israel)
- Natural Medicine Association of Nigeria (NAMAN) (Nigeria)

#### Educational

- Joyce Liu Institute of Naturopathy and Natural Medicine (China)
- <u>Centre De Formation En Naturopathie Feh Ekisante</u> (Belgium)

### Non-Profit Partner

• NICM Health Research Institute (Australia)

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• NEEM Research (Canada)

If you know of other naturopathic organizations that would qualify as a <u>WNF Member or Partner</u>, please encourage them to apply.