

Keynote Speakers

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The commitment of primary care to the Millennium Development Goals

The United Nations have formulated the Millennium Development Goals to be reached by 2015. We will look how primary care may contribute to the achievement of these goals. A first look at the contribution of primary care to more equity. Then the strengths of primary care are explored in addressing the social determinants of health. Finally, the way forward will be described: what are the needed evolutions for primary care's contribution to improve global health?