

MACP AGM 2023

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Overview of Year

This year has seen the implementation of a new corporate strategy for IFOMPT as per figure 1.



Figure 1: IFOMPT Corporate Strategy

The three main summary points are:

- Moving from an internal focus to an external focus so that we can support and influence global change in the delivery of high-quality manual/musculoskeletal PT.
- Strengthening governance, which also includes continuing to be rigorous about protecting our standards of practice and their application and implementing and continuous reviewing of up to date and responsive constitution, policies, procedures.
- Adapting from limited membership achieved through standards and international monitoring to an inclusive community that enhances the diversity and reach of IFOMPT but does not lose the high quality of standards set by the organisation’.

IFOMPT have continued their series of webinars. Since, the pandemic this has been a successful method of making education accessible more globally. With the initial success of this approach the series is planned to be continued with information circulated via the MACP social media channels. To complement the webinar series, IFOMPT have landed the ‘IFOMPT Learning Zone’ <https://ifompt.thinkific.com>. The learning zone enables members to access previous webinars and educational materials.

The IFOMPT Teachers meeting and in person MO meeting took place in Ghent, Belgium Sept 2023. MO delegate discussed a potential corporate structure change- splitting the standards committee into a standards committee an international monitoring committee. This would require a constitution change and thus a vote should this idea proceed. The conversation around a potential name change for IFOMPT to include ‘Musculoskeletal’ was also re-opened with a further meeting to discuss in detail proposed for later in 2023/ early 2024.

The IFOMPT educational standards are due for review 2023-24. A working group will be put together to work on this.

The planning of the IFOMPT 2024 conference in Basel is well underway and an exciting programme has been developed by the Swiss team to celebrate the 50th anniversary of IFOMPT. The call for abstract submission deadline extended to Nov 2023.

Further dates for the MACP diary:

1. The call for nominations for the Maitland and Lamb awards in 2024 went out to the MOs with nominations due on 15 December 2023.
2. The call for nominations for the Executive Committee went out to the MOs with nominations due by 28 February 2024.

Progress against organisation’s strategic aims

The IFOMPT exec and standards committee have been working closely with the MACP to develop and land the UK specific MSK advanced practice standards. These standards have now been published and adopted across the UK.

The MACP are now working with IFOMPT to ensure that the NHS England credential for MSK Advanced Practice can dovetail with the IFOMPT recognition and international monitoring processes to offset the risks that universities will not go through x2 credentialing processes. Ensuring a joined-up approach will hopefully increase the number of MSc programmes that lead to membership of the MACP.

Progress against sub-speciality strategic aims

- The MACP have been working with the IFOMPT marketing team to develop a social media video strategy to promote understanding about IFOMPT and its MOs.
- Tim Noblet presented the Keynote at the IFOMPT teachers meeting to disseminate the Advanced Practice work that the MACP have been part of in the UK.
- The MACP have been in discussion with the IFOMPT exec and standards committee as well as MOs about the use of the UK portfolio route by other nations where educational programmes are closing or critical mass of AP level clinicians is low and need further development.
- The MACP have been working with IFOMPT to innovate regarding the use of digital placements at AP level.
- The MACP has developed awards to help fund members to attend Basel 2024, increasing the UKs presence and influence.

Key Development Plans for 23/24

- Support IFOMPT with their upcoming events and engage the MACP membership in contributing to and attending IFOMPT 2024 Basel 2-6 July 2024.
- Working with IFOMPT on the Standards review to ensure advanced practice representation.
- Work to develop the portfolio route to enable use by the global community.