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### **UEMO 2002/158**

**Chairman: Steinunn Jonsdottir (Iceland)**

**Rapporteur: Eugene O'Connor (Ireland)**

**Participants:** Norway, Belgium, Switzerland, UK, Ireland, Hungary, Netherlands, Germany, Austria, Finland, Iceland

1. Discussion on Consensus Document 2002/103 on Preventive Activities. It was unanimously agreed that the document be presented to the plenum for adoption.
2. It was agreed that the work of the group should continue having particular regard to the subject of tobacco, which is a major health risk. Paper was circulated for comments and discussion by members at the next meeting.

#### **Main points of the Consensus Document**

The Statement is a call for scientists, health, education and social science professionals, policy-makers, media organizations and health program planners to recognize the importance of sharing the task in reaching the following objectives.

#### **Main objectives:**

- To achieve access to preventive services for all the population
- To increase the span of healthy life for the population
- To reduce health disparities among the population in Europe

#### **The UEMO believes that:**

- **Preventive Activities are an important component of Primary Care with GPs having a leading role**
- **Preventive Activities should be an integral part of every GP's work**
- **Preventive Activities should be effective and built on scientific evidence. The content should constantly be reassessed in reflect of experience and knowledge**

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- **Preventive Activities in Primary Care should be efficiently funded (manpower, other resources needed)**
- **Standards of education, pre- and post gradual training and CME/CPD in the field of prevention/health promotion should be high and sufficiently financed**
- **Preventive Activities should be well documented and evaluated in order to be a source for research and base for further health care planning**
- **Preventive activities within health care should be supported and supplemented by societal interventions, which promote health through reducing material poverty and improving employment and educational opportunity.**
- **Preventive Activities should accommodate and respect patient autonomy and freedom of choice.**