

Press release

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World PT Day materials available in 38 languages

This year's World PT Day materials have been translated into 38 languages – from Arabic to Vietnamese.

The translations have been kindly provided by volunteers from 25 World Physiotherapy member organisations and 12 individual or groups of physiotherapists. All the translations have been published on the World Physiotherapy website and shared on social media.

Emma Stokes, World Physiotherapy president, said: "It's great to see so many of our member organisations and individual physiotherapists getting involved in World PT Day and helping raise the profile of the physiotherapy profession.

"There is no better way to show how inclusive our profession is than being able to share the World PT Day materials in a range of languages and to reach people around the world."

The World PT Day materials are available in the following languages:

- <u>Arabic</u>
- Bangla
- <u>Bosnian</u>
- <u>Burmese</u>
- <u>Catalan</u>
- <u>Chinese Simplified</u>
- <u>Chinese Traditional</u>
- <u>Czech</u>
- <u>Dutch</u>
- <u>Dutch Belgian</u>
- English
- <u>Finnish</u>
- <u>French</u>
- French Canadian
- <u>German</u>
- <u>Gujarati</u>
- <u>Hindi</u>
- <u>Icelandic</u>
- <u>Italian</u>
- Japanese

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- Kurdish
- <u>Latvian</u>
- <u>Mongolian</u>
- <u>Nepali</u>
- Norwegian
- Polish
- Portuguese Brazilian
- Portuguese European
- Romanian
- Russian
- <u>Sinhala</u>
- Slovenian
- <u>Spanish</u>
- <u>Tamil</u>
- <u>Thai</u>
- <u>Ukrainian</u>
- <u>Urdu</u>
- <u>Vietnamese</u>

World PT Day toolkit

The theme for World PT Day 2022 is osteoarthritis and includes information sheets and posters aimed at the general public promoting the role of physiotherapists in the prevention of osteoarthritis and in the management of people affected by osteoarthritis. There is also a resource list for facts, research findings, statistics, and articles to help you demonstrate the contribution of physiotherapists. In 2023 the focus will be on other rheumatological conditions.

Please note: the materials may not be amended without the permission of World Physiotherapy.

World Physiotherapy would like to express its thanks to the volunteer translators who have helped produce the World PT Day materials in 38 languages.

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EDITOR'S NOTES

About physiotherapy

Physiotherapists are experts in developing and maintaining people's ability to move and function throughout their lives. With an advanced understanding of how the body moves and what keeps it from moving well, they promote wellness, mobility and independence. They treat and prevent many problems caused by pain, illness, disability and disease, sport and work related injuries, ageing and inactivity.

Physiotherapists are educated over several years, giving them a full knowledge of the body's systems and the skills to treat a wide range of problems. This education is usually university-based, at a level that allows physiotherapists to practise independently. Continuing education ensures that they keep up to date with the latest advances in research and practice. Many physiotherapists are engaged in research themselves.

About World Physiotherapy

World Physiotherapy is the profession's global body representing over 685,000 physiotherapists from member organisations in 125 countries. More information: <u>www.world.physio</u>