



At the CPME Board Meeting, in Ljubljana, Slovenia, on 15 March 2008, CPME adopted the following document "**CPME commitments to EU Alcohol and Health Forum**" (referring to CPME 2008/055 EN)

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CPME recognizes that commitments should be capable of measurement, and should achieve measurable reduction in alcohol-related harm.

CPME recommends that the following commitments are submitted to the Forum at this stage:

- 1 Engagement of clinicians in direct advice to patients, using techniques of brief intervention and targeted questionnaires. These should be delivered in the context of primary care, emergency treatment and occupational health in the first instance.
- 2 Lobbying by Medical Associations in support of policies to increase taxation on alcoholic drinks
- 3 The provision of information on alcohol-related harm and safe drinking messages on medical association websites.

CPME from then on will focus on the detail of methods of assessment and measurement needed to demonstrate the benefit of these commitments