## **APPLICATION FOR AFFILIATION**

## with the

## **MEDICAL WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION**

We, the undersigned officers of
(name of national medical women's association)
herewith submit our application for affiliation with the Medical Women's International Association.
We affirm that our Constitution conforms with the qualifications for membership, and we agree to meet all the obligations as stated in the requirements for affiliation. A copy of our Constitution (in English) is herewith enclosed.
There are medical women in (name of country)
of whichare members of our association.
DateSignature
Please return to:

Medical Women's International Association Secretariat 7555 Morley Drive Burnaby, B.C., V5E 3Y2 CANADA Phone +1 604 522 1960 e-mail secretariat@mwia.net

# GUIDELINES FOR NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE MEDICAL WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION

#### COMMUNICATION

- I. A National Association is requested to communicate regularly with the Regional Vice-President and the MWIA Secretariat, to answer all letters and to report all activities. If MWIA wishes to keep its relation with the World Health Association (WHO) and the United Nations (UN), the Secretariat needs to know of activities and projects of the member associations. Communication is important!
- II. Therefore, a National Association should elect an MWIA National Co-ordinator (MWIA N.C.) who will be the link between the National Association and the Vice-President, President and especially the Secretariat. She should be chosen for her known interest in international affairs in general and MWIA in particular. The MWIA N.C. should be a member of the Board or Council of the National Association. She shall report on the activities of her National Association to the MWIA Secretariat and inform her National Association of all MWIA activities and requests.
- III. In consultation with Government, University and Training Authorities a National Association should:
  - 1. Encourage education of women in medical sciences nationally.
  - 2. Encourage full utilization of medically trained women by
    - a. flexible training programmes (part time and job sharing)
    - b. flexible working conditions (part time and job sharing)
    - c. child care facilities for working mothers
  - 3. Discourage discrimination in careers and remuneration.
- IV. A National Association should lobby the Government on Children and Women's Health Issues (e.g. screening; family planning; safe motherhood; preventative care; environment issues; violence and abuse; poverty; education; STDs and AIDS etc. etc.)
- V. Consultation with national medical associations and health related organisations is encouraged by MWIA.

#### **ACTIVITIES**

- I. A National Association should support Medical Women locally and nationally. It should:
  - 1. Act as a support group for medical women locally and nationally.
  - 2. Arrange educational opportunities for medical women nationally.
  - Keep them informed of MWIA activities.
- II. A National Association should support child and women's health by organising projects nationally, by personal involvement and by co-operation with other agencies.

#### **ACTIVITIES FOR MWIA**

A National Association is requested to:

- 1. Appoint a MWIA National Co-ordinator to liase with the MWIA Secretariat.
- 2. Communicate MWIA activities to members.
- 3. Whenever possible encourage attendance at regional and international congresses.
- 4. Whenever possible represent MWIA on request at conferences and projects within their country (or region).

### **CONTACTS WITH OTHER WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS**

MWIA encourages National Associations to particularly co-operate with such organisations in matters of Women's Health.