

EM/RC49/R.11 HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION

The Regional Committee,

Having reviewed the technical paper on health professions education with special reference to family practice¹;

Having heard the experiences of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Iraq and Tunisia;

Recalling resolution WHA.48.8 on reorienting medical education and medical practice for health for all;

Being aware of the recent developments in reorienting the education of health professionals to be more responsive to the health needs of communities and to ensure quality, equity and cost-effectiveness and active partnership with health systems and services;

1. **ENDORSES** the regional reform process to reorient health professions education programmes;
2. **URGES** Member States to:
 - 2.1 Nominate one or more national health professions education institutes to adopt the reform process in close partnership between education and health systems/services and provide the necessary support to achieve this;
 - 2.2 Promote family practice as part of the reform process;
 - 2.3 Establish a system of accreditation for health professions education faculties and institutes.

¹ Document EM/RC49/9