



Statement to the agenda item 12.7 “Eleventh revision of the International Classification of Diseases” of the 72nd World Health Assembly from 20–28 May 2019

The International Society of Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine (ISPRM) and the International Association of Logopedics and Phoniatrics (IALP) welcomes the adoption of the eleventh revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-11) by the World Health Assembly during its annual meeting from 20–28 May 2019.

ISPRM strongly supports the inclusion of Section V – *Supplementary section for functioning assessment* in ICD-11. This is of unique importance for rehabilitation as it enables the assessment and documentation of patient functioning in the context of rehabilitation. *Section V* is especially meaningful for ISPRM as it aligns with its mission “...to optimize functioning and health-related quality of life and minimize disability in persons with disabilities and medical problems throughout the world.” Including *Section V* in ICD-11 also underscores the potential of using functioning information for resource planning and monitoring progress of treatment.

Moreover, *Section V – Supplementary section for functioning assessment* provides a suitable link to WHO’s International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF). As ISPRM endorses the ICF Generic-6 Set as a minimal standard for healthcare at large and the ICF Generic-30 Set for rehabilitation team care, we are delighted that ICD-11’s *Section V* also contains the domains of the ICF Generic-30 Set. This paves the way toward a comprehensive picture of patient health, functioning, and well-being.

ISPRM in cooperation with other rehabilitation organizations will support WHO in whatever is needed to promote the implementation of ICD-11, and joint use of ICD-11 and ICF in rehabilitation and in healthcare as a whole.

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