



Summary of 2024 World COPD Day Activities

- Argentina: Coordinator of the Respiratory Rehabilitation program at the Cardiovascular Diagnostic Institute of La Plata requesting material to carry out a workshop on International COPD Day
- Australia: Lung Foundation Australia are coordinating a range of activities for World COPD Day 2024
 - Meet and greets between members of parliament and consumers, and letters to health ministers in priority states in line with their COPD Blueprint
 - Healthcare Professional virtual event, where they launch and promote their brand new COPD-X Handbook
 - Consumer webinar to showcase lived experiences and provide people living with breathlessness and their carers to provide them with tools and information to support effective self-management practices
- Brazil: Requested World COPD Day image translated into Portuguese
- *China: The First Affiliated Hospital of Shandong First Medical University set up an activity to recruit subjects at high risk for COPD (one month prior to World COPD Day). The activity included:
 - The specialists made initial assessment of the participants, including smoking history, respiratory symptoms, signs, etc.
 - Then, relevant technicians explained the safety and procedure of lung function examination.
 - Smoking cessation education was also an important part in this activity, another group of medical workers enrolled individuals with smoking history and conducted initial smoking cessation interventions.
- Columbia: This year AIREPOC Fundación Neumológica Colombiana joined GOLD's initiative to celebrate World COPD Day by performing spirometry tests on people in the general community near the institution, using a mobile health bus NEUMOMOVIL of our social respiratory program. They also conducted a workshop with AIREPOC patients about oxygen therapy and how to adapt their activities of daily living
- Denmark: Creating 5 high-quality promotional videos for the WORLD COPD day for a large non-profit think-tank

- *India: Requested World COPD Day image to create flyer for KG College of Physiotherapy, to conduct an Awareness Session at KGiSL Institute of Technology on November 20, 2024; also Junior Resident at the Department of Pulmonary medicine Government Medical College Trivandrum Kerala India doing post graduate training in respiratory medicine in the Dept of Pulmonology [Photo here](#)
- Latvia: Head Nurse at Riga East University Hospital Pulmonary Clinic expressed interest in actively participating in the GOLD initiative to support World COPD Day
- *Nepal: Kathmandu Medical College celebrated World COPD Day [photos here](#)
- Netherlands: Administering a SPEAKtoCOPD study, where they want to bring attention to COPD and the burden of it. You can go to the site and donate your voice to help research towards speech analysis for people with COPD. Eventually, they aim to develop an algorithm to detect exacerbations of COPD by speech
- *Pakistan: Indus Hospital and Health Network (IHHN) marked World COPD Day 2024 by offering spirometry screenings to staff across Pakistan, emphasizing its commitment to lung health and raising awareness about chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) [Photos here](#)
- Philippines: The Division of Pulmonary Medicine at the Philippine General Hospital joins the global celebration of World COPD Day 2024 by hosting an informative event for COPD patients. This gathering offers a valuable opportunity for individuals to learn more about managing their condition, featuring lectures from healthcare professionals, spirometry testing to assess lung function, and demonstrations on the proper use of inhaler devices
- Poland: Polish Respiratory Society requested Polish version of the graphic for World COPD Day 2024
- Portugal: The Portuguese Association of Rehabilitation Nurses; interested in the graphic material for World COPD Day and how they can join in celebrating; we let them know we are happy to post their activities on social media or our website if they would like to share
- Serbia: Requested permission to use visual for World COPD Day
- Singapore: An online health education program, including a dedicated website which promotes the importance and benefits of measuring lung function with spirometry. In this program, Home Spirometry is offered as an alternative to Office Spirometry in the hospital or clinic
- United Kingdom: Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital hosted a stall at the hospital to raise awareness of COPD to patients/ staff/ visitors and asked if there was anything we could donate (keyrings, pens, etc.)
- US: Rabble Health Inc. requesting approval to distribute imagery which includes their corporate logo, and approval to promote the day and GOLD through their digital education app, myRabble; The University of NC at Chapel Hill raising awareness for World COPD Day; Director of Respiratory Therapy Services at Erie County Medical Center in Buffalo, NY privileged to educate and raise awareness of COPD among colleagues, visitors and patients
- *Vietnam: Requested to disseminate information at the Scientific workshop on Asthma and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Management Network and COPD Day