**WORLD FEDERATION FOR MENTAL HEALTH**

**2023 – 2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**CANDIDATE NOMINATION FORM**

Please complete all the required information below.

**DETAILS OF PROPOSED CANDIDATE**

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| **Name:** |  |
| **Position or title:** |  |
| **Employer or organization:** |  |
| **E-mail:** |  |
| **Phone (include country code)** |  |
| **Preferred mailing address:** |  |
| **Headshot photograph**  |  |

**CANDIDATE PERSONAL STATEMENT:**

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| **Please submit a 1000 word (max) personal statement taking into account the following:** * Your relevant experience in mental health advocacy, education and awareness and your personal experience and perspective that you would bring to the WFMH.
* Why are you interested in serving on the Board of the WFMH?
* List other organization and boards you have represented and any with the WFMH.
* Current type and length of WFMH membership
* Areas where you intend to contribute to the functioning and betterment of the WFMH (if you are or have been a WFMH Board Member, you must indicate any fulfilled contributions in these areas).
* How would you identify yourself – such as: Consumer, Family Member, Psychiatrists, MH professional, Administrator/Director of a mental health NGO, etc? Please list all that you believe you would use in your role as a WFMH Board Member.
* Willingness to participate in Board Meetings held at specific meeting sites, on conference calls and/or with email communication and
* Are there any issues that would prevent you from being available for any of these meetings?
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| Max 1000 words (any part of the submission over 1000 words will be discounted) *Please type your statement here:* |
| **Additional Considerations for the Nominating Committee to take into account:** **(This box is optional)** * If you wish to be considered for any of the WFMH Executive Roles or Board Lead for Lived Experience, please read the WFMH By-laws and use the space below to highlight the skills and expertise that you would like the Nominating Committee to take into account during their considerations
* Use a maximum of 150 words
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| Max 150 words (any part of the submission over 150 words will be discounted)*Please type your statement here:* |

**CANDIDATE DECLARATION**

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| **I confirm the following:** (Please tick each box that applies to you) |
|  | I am not a professional who is under investigation for professional misconduct, or has been found to be in breach of appropriate professional standards by the relevant professional body |
|  | I am not the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order  |
|  | I have not been dismissed (except by redundancy) by any Board or NGO role  |
|  | I have not had an earlier term of appointment terminated  |
|  | I have not been removed from trusteeship of a charity/NGO  |

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| **Signature of candidate to confirm consent to nomination and to confirm their candidate declaration.**  |  |
| **Date submitted:** |  |

**DETAILS OF WFMH ASSOCIATION OR INDIVIDUAL MEMBER NOMINATING THE CANDIDATE:**

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| **Nominators Name:**  |  |
| **Nominator Details** (Please tick the box that applies to you in the first column and complete your details in the second column) |
|  | **Official Representative of a WFMH Voting Organization**Organisation name:Title/Position: |
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|  | **Official Representative of a WFMH Affiliate Organization**Organisation name:Title/Position: |
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|  | **Current WFMH Board of Directors Member, Life Member or Individual Member** Title/Position: |
| **Nominator e-mail address:** |  |

Please be sure you supply the following information to return with this completed form:

1. A Curriculum Vitae
2. A personal statement of not more than 1000 words
3. A signed agreement of understanding and expectations of WFMH Board membership.
4. A headshot photograph.

Submit the completed Candidate Information Form including the Candidate Personal Statement, signed Agreement of Understanding and Expectations of WFMH Board Membership and curriculum vitae to the WFMH Nominating Committee by e-mail to: WFMHvote2023@wfmh.global

 **ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE WFMH SECRETARIAT NO LATER THAN MONDAY 1 MAY 2023 TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE.**

**BOARD CANDIDATE PERSONAL STATEMENT AND STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING AND EXPECTATIONS OF WFMH BOARD MEMBERSHIP**

Individuals who are willing to be considered for nomination for election to the Board of Directors of the World Federation for Mental Health are required to:

* Be a dues-paying Individual or Life Member of WFMH, with their annual dues current as of the date of submission of their candidacy to the Nominating Committee.
* Be in full agreement with, and willing to promote, the vision, mission, goals, and strategic objectives of WFMH.
* Have their candidacy submitted by an Individual, Life, Affiliate Member Organization, or Voting Member Organization whose membership in WFMH is current at the time of submission.
* Be agreeable to having their name submitted for consideration of inclusion on the ballot of qualified candidates for election as a Board Member
* Have signed and submitted the attached Agreement of Understanding and Expectations of Board Membership.
* Have no known conflicts of interest (personally or professionally) that would prevent active service on the WFMH Board and representation of WFMH on matters of policy and procedure.
* Submit a personal statement of not more than 1000 words.
* Submit an optional statement of not more than 150 words if you wish to be considered for an Executive role or as Board Lead for Lived Experience.

 **EXPECTATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE WFMH BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

* Board members shall support and develop the WFMH global mission and goals of improving the mental health of people everywhere.
* Board members shall abide by the by-laws and policy and procedures of the organization.
* Board members are required to attend regular and special Board meetings and the WFMH World Mental Health Congress (WFMH typically does not provide reimbursement of expenses for attendance at Board meetings or Congresses). Board members must be prepared to provide their own support for attending Board meetings.
* Board members are expected to attend an orientation session.
* Board members are required to participate actively on at least one committee if requested by the President.
* Board members are expected to contribute to the financial stability of the organization, including being a paid Individual or Life Member.
* Board members are expected to share their expertise with the organization.
* Board members are expected to read all materials that are distributed and respond in a timely fashion.
* Board members are expected to hold in confidence any restricted information given to them in their capacity as a member of the Board.
* Board members are expected to take initiatives and to provide leadership as needed and will be expected to participate actively in the World Federation's programs.
* Board members are expected to declare any possible conflicts of interest and ask that the minutes so state.
* Board members are expected to promote and encourage mental health organizations in their country, or in which they are active, to become members of WFMH.

### AGREEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING AND EXPECTATIONS OF WFMH BOARD MEMBERSHIP

I have been approached to have my name submitted as a candidate for nomination for election to the Board of Directors of the World Federation for Mental Health. I have read and meet the criteria for nomination, am in agreement with and support the Vision, Mission, Goals and Strategic Objectives of WFMH, and accept the Expectations of a Member of the WFMH Board of Directors. To the best of my knowledge, I have no current or foreseen conflicts of interests that would prevent my active service on the WFMH Board and representation of WFMH on matters of policy, program, and procedure. I agree to be considered for nomination and agree to serve if elected, assuming all of the responsibilities of the position.

I have provided a Personal Statement (of not more than 1000 words) and an optional statement of not more than 150 words if I wish to be considered for an Executive role or as Board Lead for Lived Experience submitted along with the Candidate Information Form and Agreement of Understanding and Expectations of WFMH Board Membership.

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| **Signature** |  |
| **Name (Type or Print)** |  |
| **Date** |  |