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What is Medical Peace Work?

Medical Peace Work (MPW) is an interdisciplinary field, linking healthcare, violence prevention and peacebuilding. It is also a set of online courses, e-books and other learning materials for medical peace education. They were developed by a partnership of medical organisations and educational institutions, dedicated to this topic. MPW empowers health professionals to recognise and address the health impacts of violence and to develop practical skills for peacebuilding in their communities.

Why is Medical Peace Work needed?

War, armed conflict, and structural violence have severe health consequences, from physical injuries to long-term psychological trauma. Health professionals are often the first to encounter victims and perpetrators of violence, yet many feel unprepared to address these challenges. MPW bridges this gap by equipping professionals with the tools to recognise, prevent, and respond to violence - contributing to healthier, more peaceful societies.

↩ let's see how you can get involved!

About IPPNW

The German section of International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW) has been campaigning for decades for peaceful conflict resolution, the abolition of nuclear weapons, and socially responsible medicine. As part of the MPW network, IPPNW supports the dissemination of materials, offers training courses, and promotes exchange between committed individuals.



IPPNW

Become a member

IPPNW Germany welcomes all healthcare workers to its network. As a member, you'll connect with a dynamic community of students, healthcare professionals, and activists, all working to integrate peacebuilding and violence prevention into healthcare.

Our student movement, regional working groups, and international campaigns offer platforms for advocacy, education, and research on issues like nuclear disarmament, social responsibility in the medical field and climate justice. New members can participate in



on-boarding sessions to explore engagement opportunities.

Find out more at
ippnw.de/aktiv-werden/mitglied-werden.html

You are a health professional or student in medicine, nursing, public health or related field?

You wonder how war and human rights violations affect health?

You wish to prevent violence and promote peace?



**... THEN HAVE A LOOK AT
MEDICAL PEACE WORK**

START

Are you ready to
dive deeper into
Medical Peace Work?

YES!

how are you
organised?

just me



as a group

institutionally

Do you have other
questions? Contact us!
kontakt@ippnw.de

how do you want to
get involved?



on a regular
basis

no long-term
commitment

what is your
goal?



learn more

reach out

in which context
are you working?



university
context

other

what do you want
to achieve?



how many events
do you want
to plan?



several

how much capacity
do you have?



limited

a lot

solve the
Audio-Visual
Cases Studies
(30min -
2 or 3h)



take part in the e-
learning lessons
about the MPW
course books and
get certificates



first
learn more
about MPW

connect
with others

start or become
part of a student
MPW-group

organise a
workshop with
an IPPNW
multiplier

organise an
elective course
about MPW at
your university

organise a (public)
event at your uni,
workplace,
organisation etc.

or
read the
coursebooks
about MPW



or
check out the events
and activities on the IPPNW
website & take part in our
Peace Academy or
Summer School



implement MPW
principles in your
daily routine / work

stay
involved
and
form or join working
groups for MPW-
topics, e.g. on
migration or nuclear
disarmament



have a look at the
Narrative-Case
Studies for peer-
teaching



or
become a multiplier
for MPW!

get involved in
lobbying and
campaigning
in this field



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