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At the 6th World Congress of Family Medicine in Jerusalem, Israel, in June 1989, Professor Bent Guttorm Bentsen, University of Trondheim, Norway, was appointed a Fellow of WONCA (World Organization of National Colleges, Academies and Academic Associations of General Practitioners/Family Physicians).

The appointment honoured Professor Bentsen's considerable services to family medicine in general, and to WONCA in particular.

Professor Bentsen is a pioneer in the field of general practice research. He started his research as a general practitioner in the early 1950s. He has published "Illness and General Practice, a survey of medical care in an inland population in South-East Norway" (Oslo University Press 1970, reprinted 1986) and a number of scientific papers. In 1973/74,

he was visiting professor at the University of Western Ontario, Canada, and since 1975 has been professor and Head of the Department of Community Medicine and General Practice, University of Trondheim, Norway.

Professor Bentsen has been involved in WONCA since the organization was founded in 1972. He was a member of the WONCA Council from 1976 to 1983, and Executive from 1983 to 1986. He has been a member of the WONCA Classification Committee since 1973, and chairman of the WONCA Working Party on "Defining the fundamentals of General Medical Practice/Family Medicine".

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