

Resolutions At-a-Glance Adopted at the 2016 National Convention

Resolution	Standing Committee	Title/ Resolved	Action Plans
2016.01	Community Life	<p><u>Resolution 2016.01: Equal Access to Permanent Resident Status, an Amendment to the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act</u> urges the federal government</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ to amend the <i>Immigration and Refugee Protection Act</i> so that foreign workers may apply for permanent resident status regardless of occupational classification. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Write letters to the prime minister, the minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship and your member of parliament urging them to amend the <i>Immigration and Refugee Protection Act</i> so that foreign workers may apply for permanent resident status regardless of occupational classification. 2. Strengthen existing or consider starting a parish based outreach program to meet the needs of foreign workers. 3. Invite a guest speaker involved in advocacy on behalf of foreign workers to speak at a meeting of the CWL. 4. Monitor the federal government's response to the request contained in the resolution.
2016.02	Education and Health	<p><u>Resolution 2016.02: Eating Well with Canada's Food Guide</u> urges the federal government:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To revise <i>Eating Well with Canada's Food Guide</i> using evidence-based guidelines; ➤ To set policy to review the guide every five years; and ➤ To publish the date of revision on the guide. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Write letters to the prime minister and minister of health with copies to your local member of parliament urging the federal government to revise <i>Eating Well with Canada's Food Guide</i> as requested in the resolution. 2. Hold a speaker presentation on healthy living and food choices. 3. Educate members about the food guide and encourage healthy food choices. 4. Monitor the federal government's response to the request contained in the resolution.
2016.03	Education and Health	<p><u>Resolution 2016.03: Warning Labels on Drugs and Food Products</u> urges the federal government:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To require detailed warning labels on food and drug products containing all inactive substances and additives that may cause adverse reactions ➤ To require that patient information sheets accompanying pharmaceuticals include a list of all inactive substances and potential adverse reactions ➤ To engage in a program of public education focusing on the possible adverse effects of all inactive substances and additives. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Write letters to the prime minister, minister of health and your local member of parliament, asking: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For adequate warning labels on food and drug products containing all inactive substances and additives that may cause adverse reactions • That patient information sheets accompanying pharmaceuticals include a list of all inactive substances and potential adverse reactions • To support a program of public education focussing on the possible adverse effects of all inactive substances and additives. 2. Raise members' awareness of the danger of possible adverse reactions to inactive substances and additives in drug and food products. 3. Monitor the federal government's response to the request contained in the resolution food and drug products.

2016.04	Legislation	<p><u>Resolution 2016.04: Amend the Canada Health Act to Identify Palliative Care as an Insured Health Service</u></p> <p>urges the federal government:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ To identify palliative care as an insured health service covered under the Canada Health Act; ➤ To develop a national strategy for uniform standards and delivery of palliative care as defined by the World Health Organization; and ➤ That the ten provincial councils urge their provincial/territorial governments to provide palliative care as an insured service covered under their provincial/territorial health act as deemed necessary/prudent. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Write to the prime minister, federal minister of health and your member of parliament urging them: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify palliative care as an insured health service covered under the <i>Canada Health Act</i> • To develop a national strategy for uniform standards and delivery of palliative care as defined by the World Health Organization. 2. Educate members and the community at large on the importance of high quality palliative care. 3. Monitor federal government's response to the request of this resolution.
2016.05	Legislation	<p><u>Resolution 2016.05: Amend the Canada Health Act to Identify Home Care as an Insured Health Service</u></p> <p>urges the federal government to amend the <i>Canada Health Act</i> to include home care as an insured health service.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Write to the prime minister, minister of health and your member of parliament urging them to include home care in the <i>Canada Health Act</i>. 2. Initiate a petition among CWL members requesting that governments include home care in the <i>Canada Health Act</i>. 3. As a CWL council, study the Parliamentary Committee on Palliative and Compassionate Care report 'Not to be Forgotten, Care of Vulnerable Canadian' as well as publications from Catholic Organization for Life and Family that deal with vulnerable people (e.g. "Families, Christ Calls us to sow joy and hope!") 4. As a CWL council support local hospices financially as well as volunteering. 5. As a CWL council co-ordinate assistance to disabled and elderly (housework, cooking, appointments, shopping, etc.) 6. Invite speakers to a meeting that will educate members on home care services that are available in the community. 7. Monitor the federal government's response to the request contained within the resolution.