

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Doctor in medicine. Graduated in 1983. School of Medicine, University of the Republic, Uruguay

Cardiologist. Graduated in 1987, Faculty of Medicine, University of the Republic, Uruguay

Certificate of Technician in behavior analysis and modification, in 2001. Uruguayan Society for Analysis and Modification of Behavior (SUAMOC).

Smoking Cessation Treatment Expert, 2003-2004. University of Las Palmas, Gran Canarias, Spain.

Tobacco Dependence Treatment Specialist, Master level, certified in 2013 by the Mayo Clinic (Rochester, Minnesota, USA). Recertified since then to 2021.

Master's Degree in Prevention and Treatment of Addictive Disorders. University of Valencia, Spain, 2013.

Bachelor's degree in International Relations at the School of Law, University of the Republic, Uruguay (2022).

Intermediate title of Technical Advisor in International Trade at the School of Law, University of the Republic, Uruguay (2020).

Current positions:

- Director of International Policy Education in Addiction at the Ruth Frank Foundation and Next Generation University (Chicago, IL, US)
(<https://nextgenu.org/#>)

Honorary position:

- Chair of the World Heart Federation's Tobacco Expert Group (TEG) since 2019.
- Corporate Accountability's advisory board (Boston, MA, US), since October 2020.

Background in Smoking Cessation Treatment and Tobacco Control

- Coordinator of the Smoking Cessation Treatment Program (*Tobacco or Health*) of SUAT (Emergency Medical Mobile System), in Montevideo, Uruguay, from 1994 to 2000.
- Responsible for the Smoking Cessation Clinic at the Cardiology Service of the Spanish Association Hospital in Montevideo, from its inception in 1997 to 2007. It was the first Smoking Cessation Program at the Private Health Care System (Mutualismo) in Uruguay
- Coordinator of the Tobacco Dependence Treatment Program at the National Resource Fund (national partial insurance for covering very expensive health treatments) , from its inception in 2004 to 2009.
- Director of the Tobacco Control Program of the InterAmerican Heart Foundation, from its inception in 2002 to 2007.
- Temporary consultant for PAHO and WHO on tobacco control and smoking cessation-related issues, on multiple occasions from 2000 to date.
- Chair of the Tobacco Control Commission of the Uruguayan Medical Union (SMU), from 2000 to 2015. He continues as a reference of the SMU on the subject.
- Member of the Honorary Advisory Commission for Tobacco Control of the Ministry of Health (Uruguay), since its creation in 2004, on behalf of the Medical Union of Uruguay, until 2018. Participated on the development of Uruguayan's Smoking Cessation Guidelines (2009)
- Founder and Chair of the Board of Directors of the Research Center for the Tobacco Epidemic (CIET Uruguay) since its creation in 2007, until 2018.
- Thematic Director of the Tobacco Academy of the International Union Against Cancer (UICC) and Member of the Advisory Board (2006-2007)
- Member of the Advisory Committee on Primary Prevention of the American Cancer Society (2006-2007).
- Member of the Steering Committee of the Global Health Care Alliance for Tobacco Dependence Treatment (2007-2009)
- Co-author of Latin American Updates on the prevention and treatment of smoking (2010)
- Member of the International Advisory Committee of the Double T Project, in the Dominican Republic, of the University of Rochester (USA), From 2013-2015.
- Member of the Latin American Advisory Council of Global Bridges (Global Alliance for Medical Assistance to Stop Smoking) from 2012-2015.

- Member of the Board of the Inter-American Heart Foundation (IAHF), from December 2015 to 2019.

- Co-founder and Co-Coordinator of the National NCD Alliance of Uruguay from 2011 to 2018

- Member of the Coordinating Committee of the Latin American NCD Alliance (CLAS) since 2011.

Background in clinical cardiology and pre-hospital medical emergency.

- Resident first and then staff of the Coronary Care Unit of the Spanish Hospital, Montevideo, Uruguay, from 1983 to 1991. First Coronary Care Unit in Uruguay
- Physician of the Cardiac Surgery Postoperative Unit of the Spanish Association Hospital, Montevideo, Uruguay, since 1984 and 1987.
- Clinical Cardiologist at the Assistance Center of the Uruguayan Medical Union (CASMU), Montevideo, Uruguay, from 1989 to 2009.
- Physician of the Mobile Emergency Coronary Unit ambulance system (UCM) - from 1984 to 1991.
- Co-founder and Physician of SUAT Emergency Mobile Medical Ambulance System, from 1991 to 2002.
- Intensive Care Cardiologist of the Cardiological Unit of the Spanish Association Hospital, Montevideo, Uruguay, from 1987 to 2015.
- Currently retired from clinical practice.

Other positions in Medicine:

- Intern of Medicine (Ministry of Health / School of Medicine of the University of the Republic, Uruguay) from 1980 to 1983.
- Assistant of Professor (Grade I), Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, School of Medicine, University of the Republic, Uruguay, from 1981 to 1986.

Other activity

Organizer and Host of a weekly TV program on health, with national scope, named "*Compromiso Salud*" (Health Commitment), broadcasted by VTV channel, since October 2013 to 2016.

Access to TV programs :https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKI_Usuwb3sR92LCUjSPy9A

Awards and Recognitions

1999 - Ministry of Public Health Award, awarded by the National Academy of Medicine.
Monography: *The tobacco epidemic in Uruguay*.

2001 - Award for the best work in Epidemiology and Cardiovascular Prevention of the Second International Congress of Cardiology on the Internet. Title: *Prevalence and characteristics of smoking in a population of Montevideo*.

2003- WHO / PAHO Regional Award on World No Tobacco Day.

2006- International Achievement Award in Tobacco Control, by the American Cancer Society.

2006- WHO / PAHO Regional Award on World No Tobacco Day.

2011 - Award for the best national research published in the Journal of the Uruguayan Medical Union (SMU). Research paper: *Impact of the indoor smoking ban on smoking on hospital admissions for Acute Myocardial Infarction in Uruguay*.

2011- Distinguished as one of the “Champion on Tobacco Control”, in Mumbai (India), at the International Conference on XXI Century Public Health Priorities.

2015- The Luther Therry Award, in the category “Outstanding Leadership”, at the 15th World Tobacco or Health Conference, in Abu-Dhabi.

2018- WHO / PAHO Regional Award of the Americas on World No Tobacco Day

Reviewer for Health International Magazines

- *Pan American Journal of Public Health*
- *Global Heart*, Journal of the World Heart Federation
- *Tobacco Control Journal*, belonging to the British Medical Journal.
- *Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Journal*, linked to ENSP, European Network for Smoking and Tobacco Prevention.
- *BMJ Open*

Activity as a researcher

Dr. Bianco has conducted research and produced articles on smoking cessation and tobacco control, which are summarized in

<https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Eduardo-Bianco/research>

Activism and capacity building

Bianco has worked promoting and training in smoking cessation treatment and tobacco control policies for more than 25 years, both in Uruguay and in Latin America.

Conferences, exhibitions, events and activities at national, regional and international level

Over 500 events, including congresses, workshops, training meetings, official meetings, in more than 50 countries.

Including participation at:

- The WHO-FCTC INB process from 2001 to 2003 as FCA Regional Coordinator
- The WHO-FCTC COP process from COP1 to COP9, as FCA Regional Coordinator or Uruguayan official delegate.

- Every World Conference Tobacco or Health since 2000 and ahead (as scholarship, lecturer, scientific or organizer committee member, etc.).
- Engaged from the very beginning and Witness for Uruguay at the PMI vs. Uruguay arbitration case