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Dear Sheila, Jamary and Gabriel,

On behalf of the World Stroke Organization (WSO), we would like to congratulate you for being selected as the **First Place/Gold Prize** recipient of the **World Stroke Day 2011 Awards**. We were impressed with how you were able to mobilize communities through education and media. In particular, we would like to commend you for the innovative partnerships that you were able to cultivate with the Ministry of Health and with local soccer teams.

A certificate of recognition will be given to you at the Opening Ceremony of the World Stroke Congress in Brasilia on the evening of 10 October 2012. In this regard, we would be grateful if there could be someone who can accept the WSO prize on behalf of your association. Moreover, the International Journal of Stroke (IJS) may also want to have a phone interview with you in the coming months. The interview may be featured in one of the upcoming IJS issues. For your information, the other World Stroke Day 2011 laureates are:

→ Second Place/Silver Award

- Neeman Association for Stroke Survivors - Israel

→ Third Place/Bronze Award

- Mongolian Stroke Association

Should you have questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to get in contact with JJ Divino, Senior Campaigns Officer, at WSO Secretariat in Geneva.

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to fighting stroke and your continued innovation in stroke awareness.

Yours sincerely,



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