The International Osteoporosis Foundation has developed a global campaign to facilitate the implementation of coordinated, multi-disciplinary models of care for secondary fracture prevention. IOF believes this is the single most important thing that can be done to directly improve patient care and reduce spiraling fracture-related healthcare costs worldwide.

Worldwide, there is a large care gap that is leaving millions of fracture patients at serious risk of future fractures. ‘Capture the Fracture’ hopes to close this gap and make secondary fracture prevention a reality.

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THE KEY FACTS

- A prior fracture almost doubles a patient’s future fracture risk.
- Half of patients presenting with hip fractures have suffered a prior fracture.
- Despite their risk of future fractures, the majority of fragility fracture patients are neither assessed, nor treated to reduce fracture risk.
- To achieve a significant reduction in future fracture rates and resulting health care costs, healthcare systems must target those patients who have already suffered a fracture, as they are the ones at highest risk for future fractures.
THE PROVEN SOLUTION
Scientific evidence shows that a coordinated, multi-disciplinary approach to patient care is the most clinically and cost-effective in preventing secondary fractures. A systematic approach to secondary fracture prevention can result in fewer fractures and significant cost savings to healthcare systems.

THE CAMPAIGN
In 2012 and 2013 the Capture the Fracture Steering Committee and IOF Staff will do the following:

• Organize an international coalition to provide consensus on effective models of care for the prevention of secondary fractures.

• Develop a Best Practice Framework for secondary fracture prevention that can be adapted to diverse healthcare systems.

• Create an online educational portal to serve as a primary resource for the international community. The online portal will highlight the work of organizations around the world onto a global stage, providing examples that can facilitate the success of future programmes.

• Provide online national toolkits in country and language specific format. Clinical sites will be able to access these toolkits to facilitate the development of their programmes.

• Produce an interactive online map on which all qualified applicants will have the opportunity to highlight their systems.

• Develop a grant programme to aid clinical systems around the world which require financial assistance to develop their coordinated systems of care.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED
Health professionals and healthcare clinics
Write to us to be placed on our mailing list to receive email updates. You’ll be informed about the launch of the new online portal and learn how your clinic can participate.

Join the Coalition
Join the coalition of government agencies, companies, professionals, research and patient care organizations who support secondary fracture prevention, and give your organization global recognition on the online portal.

Email us at capturethefracture@iofbonehealth.org and learn how your organization can become involved.