



Provisional agenda

PLENARY

1. Opening of the Health Assembly

- 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
- 1.2 Election of the President
- 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairs of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee
- 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees

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2. Report of the Executive Board on its 147th and 148th sessions, and on its special session on the COVID-19 response

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3. Address by Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General¹

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4. Invited speaker(s)

5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members

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6. Executive Board: election

7. Awards

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¹ The main address by the Director-General will be delivered during the high-level segment, which is scheduled to take place on Monday, 24 May 2021.

8. Reports of the main committees

9. Closure of the Health Assembly

COMMITTEE A

10. Opening of the Committee¹

Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries

Budget matters

11. Proposed programme budget 2022–2023

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- Sustainable financing

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12. WHO results framework: an update

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Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage

13. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board

13.1 Global action on patient safety

Documents [A74/10 Rev.1](#), A74/10 Add.4 and EB148/2021/REC/1, decision EB148(5)

13.2 Political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases

Documents [A74/10 Rev.1](#), [A74/10 Add.1](#), [A74/10 Add.2](#), A74/10 Add.3 and EB148/2021/REC/1, decisions EB148(6) and EB148(7)

- Oral health

Documents [A74/10 Rev.1](#) and EB148/2021/REC/1, resolution EB148.R1

¹ Including election of Vice-Chairs and Rapporteur.

- 13.3 Expanding access to effective treatments for cancer and rare and orphan diseases, including medicines, vaccines, medical devices, diagnostics, assistive products, cell- and gene-based therapies and other health technologies; and improving the transparency of markets for medicines, vaccines, and other health products

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- 13.4 Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property

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- 13.5 Antimicrobial resistance

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- 13.6 Substandard and falsified medical products

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- 13.7 Standardization of medical devices nomenclature

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- 13.8 Immunization Agenda 2030

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- 13.9 Integrated people-centred eye care, including preventable vision impairment and blindness

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14. Health in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

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15. Health workforce

- Working for health: five-year action plan for health employment and inclusive economic growth (2017–2021)

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- Global Strategic Directions for Nursing and Midwifery

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16. Committing to implementation of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health (2016–2030)

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Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies

17. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response

17.1 COVID-19 response

Documents [A74/9](#), A74/15 and A74/INF./2

17.2 Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme

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17.3 WHO's work in health emergencies

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- Strengthening WHO's global emergency preparedness and response

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- Strengthening preparedness for health emergencies: implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)

Documents [A74/9](#) and A74/9 Add.1

17.4 Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)

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18. Mental health preparedness for and response to the COVID-19 pandemic

Documents [A74/9](#) and EB148/2021/REC/1, decision EB148(3)

19. The public health implications of implementation of the Nagoya Protocol

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20. Enhancement of laboratory biosafety

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21. Poliomyelitis

- Polio eradication

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- Polio transition planning and polio post-certification

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Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being

22. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board

22.1 Social determinants of health

Documents [A74/9](#) and EB148/2021/REC/1, resolution EB148.R2

23. WHO global plan of action to strengthen the role of the health system within a national multisectoral response to address interpersonal violence, in particular against women and girls, and against children

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COMMITTEE B

24. Opening of the Committee¹

25. Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan

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Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries

26. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board

Managerial, administrative and governance matters

26.1 Update on the Infrastructure Fund

- Update on information management and technology

Documents [A74/9](#) and [A74/23](#)

- Geneva buildings renovation strategy

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26.2 WHO transformation

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¹ Including election of Vice-Chairs and Rapporteur.

26.3 WHO reform

- WHO reform: governance

Documents [A74/9](#), [A74/INF./3](#) and EB148/2021/REC/1, decision EB148(9)

- WHO reform: World health days

Documents [A74/9](#), A74/9 Add.2 and EB148/2021/REC/1, decision EB148(10)

- Review of entitlements of members of the Executive Board

Documents [A74/9](#) and EB147/2020/REC/1, decision EB147(11)

- WHO reform: involvement of non-State actors in WHO's governing bodies

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26.4 Global strategies and plans of action that are scheduled to expire within one year

- WHO global disability action plan 2014–2021: better health for all people with disability

Documents [A74/9](#) and EB148/2021/REC/1, resolution EB148.R6

- The global health sector strategies on, respectively, HIV, viral hepatitis and sexually transmitted infections, for the period 2016–2021

Documents [A74/9](#) and EB148/2021/REC/1, decision EB148(13)

26.5 Process for the election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization

Documents A74/24, A74/24 Add.1 and EB148/2021/REC/1, decision EB148(11)

Staffing matters

26.6 Human resources: annual report

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26.7 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

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26.8 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules

Documents [A74/9](#) and EB148/2021/REC/1, resolution EB148.R4

27. Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

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28. Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board

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29. Financial matters

29.1 WHO programme and financial reports for 2020–2021, including audited financial statements for 2020

Documents A74/28,A74/29 and A74/INF./4

29.2 Status of collection of assessed contributions, including Member States in arrears in the payment of their contributions to an extent that would justify invoking Article 7 of the Constitution

Documents A74/30 and A74/31

29.3 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]

29.4 Scale of assessments 2022–2023

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29.5 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

29.6 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members

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30. Audit and oversight matters

30.1 Report of the External Auditor

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30.2 Report of the Internal Auditor¹

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30.3 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation

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¹ This item will also include discussion on preventing sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment in response to decision EB148(4)

31. Management and legal matters

31.1 International Agency for Research on Cancer: amendments to Statute¹

31.2 Agreements with intergovernmental organizations

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32. Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations

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33. Updates and future reporting

- Emergency care systems for universal health coverage: ensuring timely care for the acutely ill and injured

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- Rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease

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- WHO global strategy on health, environment and climate change: the transformation needed to improve lives and well-being sustainably through healthy environments

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- The role of the health sector in the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management towards the 2020 goal and beyond

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34. Matters for information

34.1 Progress reports

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Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage

A. Sustainable health financing structures and universal coverage (resolution WHA64.9 (2011))

B. Prevention of deafness and hearing loss (resolution WHA70.13 (2017))

¹ No document will be issued on this subject. It is proposed that the Health Assembly be invited to consider deleting the subitem.

- C. Promoting the health of refugees and migrants (decision WHA72(14) (2019))
- D. Eradication of dracunculiasis (resolution WHA64.16 (2011))
- E. Progress in the rational use of medicines (resolution WHA60.16 (2007))
- F. Global technical strategy and targets for malaria 2016–2030 (resolution WHA68.2 (2015))

Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies

- G. Smallpox eradication: destruction of variola virus stocks (resolution WHA60.1 (2007))

Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being

- H. Water, sanitation and hygiene in health care facilities (resolution WHA72.7 (2019))
- I. Plan of action on climate change and health in small island developing States (decision WHA72(10) (2019))

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