



PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION
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WORKING GROUP OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON STREAMLINING THE GOVERNANCE MECHANISMS OF PAHO

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REVISION

PROPOSED RESOLUTION SUBCOMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING

THE 138TH SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the recommendation of the Working Group on Streamlining the Governance Mechanisms of PAHO, created by decision CE137(D5) regarding the reform of the Subcommittee on Planning and Programming,

Taking into account the need for the Subcommittee on Planning and Programming to evolve into a mechanism for the review and feedback on: planning and program budget, policy formulation, performance assessment, evaluations, and oversight activities.

1. DECIDES to abolish the Subcommittee on Planning and Programming and establish a new subcommittee called the Subcommittee on Program, Budget and Administration, with the terms of reference, periodicity of meetings and composition, as annexed;
2. DECIDES that the Subcommittee on Program, Budget and Administration will hold its first session on _____.

ANNEX

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. Nature

The Subcommittee on Program, Budget and Administration is an auxiliary advisory body of the Executive Committee with responsibility for aspects of Program Budget, and Administration.

2. Functions

The Subcommittee has the following functions:

2.1 To review and, as appropriate, make recommendations to the Executive Committee on the following:

- changes in the health situation in the Americas and the economic and social factors that affect health conditions and the health sector;
- the policies for the development and delivery of technical cooperation including the process and methodology of planning, programming and budgeting;
- the Strategic Plan for the Work of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau;
- the program budget and performance assessment reports;
- evaluation of programs and initiatives that strengthen oversight and ensure follow-up to internal and external reports that have assessed productivity, quality of service, efficiency, and cost-effectiveness, as well as measuring impact, outcome, and success of programs;
- the Interim Financial Report, the Financial Report, and audited financial statements, together with the report of the External Auditor;
- the audit plans of the External and Internal Auditors and any other relevant reports including those submitted by them to the Executive Committee;
- the Secretariat's responses to the matters referred to above;

- other financial and administrative matters on the proposed agenda for the next session of the Executive Committee;
- governance issues affecting staff regulations, rules, and tracking gender equity of professionals within the Organization;
- the process of admittance and assessment of NGOs in official relations with PAHO undertaken annually, and
- any other technical or administrative matters assigned to it by the Executive Committee.

PERIODICITY OF MEETINGS

The Subcommittee shall hold at least one regular session a year on dates to be decided by the Executive Committee.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE

The Working Group did not reach a resolution on this issue. More information is needed as well as a stronger rationale on the selection of the members designated by the Director. Also, some different models should be considered regarding the number of members. This issue will be brought forward to the Executive Committee for discussion.

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