Update on Member States workstreams on health emergencies
Timeline of WHO Member State workstreams

1. Standing Committee on Health Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response
2. Working Group on IHR Amendments (WGIHR)
3. Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB)
1. Standing Committee on Health Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response

In the event a PHEIC is determined, provide guidance to the Executive Board and advice to the Director-General, through the Executive Board, on matters regarding health emergency prevention, preparedness and response, and immediate capacities of the World Health Organization Emergencies Programme.

Outside a PHEIC, review, provide guidance and make recommendations to the Executive Board regarding the strengthening and oversight of the WHO Health Emergencies Programme and for effective health emergency prevention, preparedness and response.
First Meeting of the Standing Committee on Health Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response

1st meeting was held virtually on December 12th, 2022

Members of Standing Committee on Health Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response

**Americas**  
Mr Nicolas Palanque (Canada)  
Dr Julio César Borba Vargas (Paraguay)

**Africa**  
Dr Edwin Dikoloti (Botswana)  
Dr Daniel Ngamije Madandi (Rwanda)

**Eastern Mediterranean**  
Dr Abdelkrim Meziane Belfeghi (Morocco)  
Dr Qasem Mohammed Buhaibah (Yemen)

**Europe**  
Dr Sören Broström (Denmark)  
Professor Jérôme Salomon (France)

**South-East Asia**  
Mr Rajesh Bhushan (India)  
Mr Bonifácio Mau Coli dos Reis (Timor-Leste)

**Western Pacific**  
Dr Hiroki Nakatani (Japan)  
Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah (Malaysia)
Standing Committee on Health Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response (SCHEPPR)

- May 30 2022
  EB151(2)
- Jan 30 - Feb 7 2023
  EB152
- May 30 - Jun 1 2023
  EB153
- Jan 22 - 27 2024
  EB154

- Jan 24 - 29 2022
  EB150(6)
- Dec 12 2022
  1 SHEPPR
- Apr 13 - 14 2023
  2 SCHEPPR
- Sep 13 – 14 2023
  3 SCHEPPR
- Apr 17 - 18 2024
  4 SCHEPPR

Executive Board (EB)
SCHEPPR Meetings
The 75th World Health Assembly adopted the Decision **WHA75(9)**

- Continuing the WGPR with a revised mandate and name (“Working Group on IHR amendments” (WGIHR)) to **work exclusively on consideration of proposed IHR targeted amendments**, with a view to their **adoption by consensus at the 77th World Health Assembly**.

- **Members:**
  
  **Co-Chairs:** Dr Abdullah Asiri - Saudi Arabia & Dr Ashley Bloomfield - New Zealand

  **Vice-Chairs:** Dr Sultani Matendechero - Kenya, **Mr Colin McIff - USA**, Ambassador François Rivasseau - France, and Ambassador Grata Endah Werdaningtyas - Indonesia.
Working Group on the IHR amendments process

May 2022
75 WHA
From WGPR to WGIHR

30 September 2022
Amendments submissions

15 Jan 2023
Review Committee (RC) presented Report

24 January 2023
RC briefing session with WGIHR & INB

30 September 2022
Amendments submissions

14–15 Nov 2022
WGIHR 1

May 2023
76 WHA

May 2023
76 WHA

20–24 Feb 2023
WGIHR 2

May 2023
76 WHA

WGIHR 3
17–21 Apr 2023

WGIHR 4
4–28 July 2023

WGIHR 5
2–6 Oct 2023

WGIHR 6
7–8 Dec 2023

WGIHR 7
5–7 Feb 2024

WGIHR 8
22–26 April 2024

May 2024
77 WHA
Final draft submission
BUREAU’S PROPOSAL FOR THE POTENTIAL GROUPING OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

- Definitions, Purpose and Scope, Principles
  - Articles 1, 2 and 3

- Collaboration and coordination
  - Article 44, 44A

- Points of entry, provisions for conveyances, provisions for travellers
  - Articles 19, 23, 24, 27, 28, 31, Annexes 3, 4

- Responsible authorities
  - Article 4

- Notification, verification, and provision of information
  - Articles 6-11, Annex 2 and new Annex 2

- Public health response and core capacities
  - Articles 5, 13, 2x new 13A, Annex 1, and new Annex 10

- Health documents, Additional health measures
  - Articles 35, 36, 42, 43, 45, 56, Annexes 6, 8

- The Emergency Committee
  - Article 48, 49

- Determination of public health emergency of international concern – Article 12
  - Temporary and standing recommendations – Articles 15, 16, 17, 18

- Compliance/Implementation –
  - new Art 53A, new 53ter-quart, new 54A bis, 54
3. Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB)

Established by Decision SSA2(5) to draft and negotiate a WHO convention, agreement, or other international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response.

INB Bureau members:

Co-Chairs: Mr Roland Driece of the Netherlands and Ms Precious Matsoso of South Africa

Vice-Chairs: Ambassador Tovar da Silva Nunes of Brazil, Mr Ahmed Soliman of Egypt, Dr Viroj Tangcharoensathien of Thailand and Mr Kazuho Taguchi of Japan.
Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB)

**WHA75**  
May 2022

- **INB2**  
Jul-Sep 2022
- Working draft, based on progress achieved
- Identify provision of WHO constitution

**Jul Sep 2022**  
INB Public Hearings 2nd Round

**Oct-Nov 2022**  
- INB IFC’s on: One Health, IP, Equity
- INB RC Consultations

**WHA76** (SSA(5) OPS)

- Consolidation of inputs (RCs, public hearings, others)
- Zero Draft of Pandemic Instrument

**May 2023**

- **INB5**  
April 2023

- **INB4**  
Feb 2023
- INB Negotiating & Drafting Groups

- **INB9**  
Mar 2024

**May 2024**

- **INB6**  
Jul-Sept 2023

- **INB8**  
Feb 2024

- **INB7**  
Nov-Dec 2023

- **INB9**  
Mar 2024

- **INB5**  
April 2023

- **INB4**  
Feb 2023

- **WHA77**  
May 2024

- **WHA76** (SSA(5) OPS)

- **WHA75**  
May 2022
Countries set out way forward for continued negotiations on global agreement on pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response
PAHO brings together health authorities in the Americas to discuss future pandemic international instrument

14 Mar 2023

Washington, DC, March 14, 2023 (PAHO)- A preliminary draft for a new convention, agreement, or other international health instrument to strengthen pandemic prevention, preparedness and response was the focus of a regional meeting facilitated by the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) today in Washington, DC.
Regional Meeting on the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB) and Amendments to the International Health Regulations (WGIHR) - 10-12 July 2023. Washington, D.C.
Negotiating Text of the WHO Pandemic Agreement

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Joint meetings of the INB and WGIHR

2 June 2023, 15:30hr

List of issues and topics that appear in the Bureau’s Text for the Pandemic accord and the compilation of proposed amendments to the IHR (2005)

This document is provided by the Bureaux of the INB and WGIHR to support discussions during the 5 June virtual informal meeting of Member States, in preparation for the joint INB-WGIHR plenary meeting to be held on 21 and 24 July 2023.

It identifies a non-exhaustive list of issues/topics that have been addressed both in the INB and WGIHR processes. It does not purport to propose the allocation of issues or topics to either process.

For each issue/topic, the table below identifies relevant articles from the Bureau’s text of the WHO CA+ (document A/HRC/53/20) and the Article-by-Article Compilation of Proposed Amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005) (document A/HRC/53/22) which address the issue/topic.

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