Governing Body matters:
Review of the Draft Provisional Agenda of the
140th Session of the WHO Executive Board

The 140th Session of the WHO Executive Board will be held at WHO headquarters in Geneva from 23 January to 1 February 2017.

Any proposal from a Member State or Associate Member of WHO to include an item on the Agenda should reach the Director-General of the World Health Organization not later than 12 weeks after the circulation of the Draft Provisional Agenda or 10 weeks before the commencement of the Session of the Executive Board, whichever is earlier. Proposals should, therefore, reach the Director-General by 12 September 2016.

The High-Level Preparatory (HLP) Meeting noted the Draft Provisional Agenda of the 140th Session of the WHO Executive Board and discussed the modalities of proposing an additional Agenda item on “Promoting physical activity” to the Executive Board Bureau within the given timeline of 12 September 2016.

The HLP Meeting also noted that the Agenda Item 8.4 lists for evaluation and review of what were previously three separate Agenda items. The HLP Meeting discussed that the Regional Committee may consider sending a message to the Executive Board Bureau for listing these items separately and not for collective evaluation and review.

The Draft Provisional Agenda for the 140th Session of the WHO Executive Board is now placed before the Sixty-ninth Session of the Regional Committee for its review, comment and noting, as appropriate.
Draft provisional agenda

1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Report by the Director-General
4. Nominations for the post of Director-General
5. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board
6. Report of the regional committees to the Executive Board
7. Preparedness, surveillance and response
   7.1 Health Emergencies
       • WHO response in severe, large-scale emergencies
       • Emergencies Oversight and Advisory Committee
       • Research and development for potentially epidemic diseases
   7.2 Global action plan on antimicrobial resistance
   7.3 Poliomyelitis
       • Draft global implementation plan
       • Public health implications of the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol
   7.5 Review of the Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Framework

1 The Executive Board at its 139th session agreed to include three items in the forward-looking planning schedule of expected agenda items, established by decision WHA69(8): Improving access to assistive technology; Health and climate change; and Development of a new Health Assembly resolution and action plan for prevention of deafness and hearing loss. See the summary record of the Executive Board at its 139th session, second meeting and third meeting, section 1. Pending the decision by the Bureau of the Executive Board, the following items may or may not be part of the agenda for the 140th session of the Executive Board.
8.  **Health systems**

8.1 Human resources for health

8.2 Principles for global consensus on the donation and management of blood, blood components and medical products of human origin

8.3 Addressing the global shortage of medicines and vaccines

8.4 Evaluation and review of:

- Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property
- Follow-up of the report of the Consultative Expert Working Group on Research and Development: Financing and Coordination
- Member States mechanism on substandard/spurious/falsely-labelled/falsified/counterfeit medical products

9.  **Communicable diseases**

9.1 Global vaccine action plan

9.2 Global vector control response

10.  **Noncommunicable diseases**

10.1 Preparation for the third High-level Meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases in 2018

10.2 Draft global action plan on public health response to dementia

10.3 Public health dimension of the world drug problem

10.4 Ending childhood obesity: implementation plan

11.  **Promoting health through the life course**

11.1 Progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

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

12.  **Programme and budget matters**

12.1 Implementation and financing of Programme budget 2016–2017: update

12.2 Proposed programme budget 2018–2019
13. **Financial matters**

13.1 Scale of assessments for 2018–2019

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

14. **Management and governance matters**

14.1 Overview of WHO reform implementation

14.2 Governance reform: follow-up to decision WHA69(8) (2016)

14.3 Engagement with non-State actors

14.4 Reports of committees of the Executive Board
  - Foundations and awards

14.5 Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee: membership renewal [if any]

14.6 Provisional agenda of the Seventieth World Health Assembly and date and place of the 141st session of the Executive Board

15. **Staffing matters**

15.1 Appointment of the Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean

15.2 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations

15.3 Human resources: update
  - Criteria and principles for secondments from nongovernmental organizations, philanthropic foundations and academic institutions

15.4 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules

15.5 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

16. **Matters for information**

16.1 Reports of advisory bodies
  - Expert committees and study groups

17. **Closure of the session**
Note: in line with resolution WHA67.2 (2014), the following items will be considered by the Health Assembly under progress reports.

### Communicable diseases
- Global technical strategy and targets for malaria 2016–2030 (resolution WHA68.2 (2015))
- Global strategy and targets for tuberculosis prevention, care and control after 2015 (resolution WHA67.1 (2014))
- Eradication of dracunculiasis (resolution WHA64.16 (2011))

### Noncommunicable diseases
- Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition (resolution WHA68.19 (2015))
- WHO global disability action plan 2014–2021: better health for all people with disability (resolution WHA67.7 (2014))

### Health systems
- Strengthening emergency and essential surgical care and anaesthesia as a component of universal health coverage (resolution WHA68.15 (2015))
- Regulatory system strengthening for medical products (resolution WHA67.20 (2014))
- Progress in the rational use of medicines (resolution WHA60.16 (2007))

### Promoting health through the life course
- Public health impacts of exposure to mercury and mercury compounds: the role of WHO and ministries of public health in the implementation of the Minamata Convention (resolution WHA67.11 (2014))
- Newborn health action plan (resolution WHA67.10 (2014))
- Female genital mutilation (resolution WHA61.16 (2008))
- Working towards universal coverage of maternal, newborn and child health interventions (resolution WHA58.31 (2005))
- Strategy for integrating gender analysis and actions into the work of WHO (resolution WHA60.25 (2007))

### Preparedness, surveillance and response
- Smallpox (resolution WHA60.1 (2007))