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# Update on the implementation of WHA Resolution 76.16 on the Health of Indigenous Peoples

Member State briefing, 22 November 2023

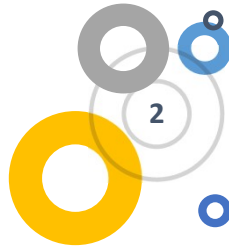
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# Calls to action in WHA Resolution 76.16

“...in consultation with Indigenous Peoples, with their free, prior and informed consent”



## **Urges Member States to take action in the areas of**

Ethical data collection; national health plans; SRH; intercultural approach; integration of traditional medicine; participation; Indigenous Peoples as health workers; capacity building; mental health, health promotion

## **Calls on relevant actors to**

Support participation; foster funding and follow highest ethical principles in R&D while ensuring the rights to cultural heritage, traditional knowledge and cultural expressions and over lands and territories; dialogue and collaboration

## **Requests the Director General**

*\*See next slide for details*

- 1) Develop Global Plan of Action for Health of Indigenous People
- 2) Provide technical support to Member States
- 3) Propose lines of action to the 14<sup>th</sup> GPW

# Requests to WHO Secretariat in the resolution

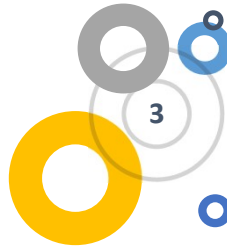


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## Develop a Global Plan of Action

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In consultation with Member States, Indigenous Peoples, relevant UN and multilateral system agencies, civil society, academia, taking a life course approach, with emphasis on reproductive, maternal and adolescent health and those in vulnerable situations

## Provide Support to Member States on the Health of Indigenous Peoples – Upon Request

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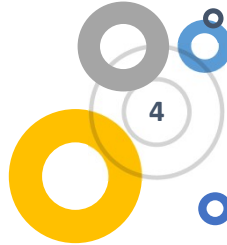
For the development of national plans for the promotion, protection and enhancement of physical and mental health of Indigenous Peoples, including in context of public health emergencies

## Propose strategic lines of action for the 14<sup>th</sup> General Programme of Work

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For the improvement of the health of Indigenous Peoples

# Process and timeline for creating Global Plan of Action



2023

2024

2025

2026

## Ground work

- ✓ Webpage and communications plan
- ✓ Initiate situation analysis
- ✓ First Member State briefing on progress
- Fundraising

## Draft plan and consultations

- Finalize situation analysis
- Zero draft of GPA drawing on the situation analysis
- Regional consultations
- Global Member State Consultation

## Finalization of GPA

- Open call for contributions
- Consultation existing UN mechanisms on Indigenous issues
- Revise draft based on inputs
- Convene final consultation with Member States in Geneva
- Submit documentation (October 2025) for Executive Board consideration

## Adoption by 79<sup>th</sup> WHA

- 158<sup>th</sup> Executive Board (Jan 2026)
- 79<sup>th</sup> World Health Assembly (May 2026)

**\*Subject to availability of resources**

# Financial considerations



- Total projected cost of all components of the resolution: US 6.68 million.
- Currently available funds are allocated for the development of the situation analysis.
- **No funding is currently available** for the subsequent steps in the process, which include drafting the plan, conducting regional consultations, and addressing the HR gaps.
- Financing needs for the **coming biennia** include:
  - 2024 - 2025: US\$ 4.9m
  - 2026 (Q1+Q2): US\$ 1.3m
- Costs for HQ primarily cover staffing for GPA production, coordination and consultations, as well as technical backstopping of country work (upon request) and inputs to 14<sup>th</sup> GPW.
- Costs for ROs and COs primarily cover in-person regional consultations for the GPA.
- Staff involved in the above will do ongoing UNSWAP on Indigenous Peoples and IASG liaison work for optimal UN coordination/coherence of approach with existing commitments as per the UNDRIP.



Thank you

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