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Provisional agenda[1]

Plenary

1. Opening of the Health Assembly

1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials

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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 157th and 158th sessions

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

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5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any]

6. Executive Board: election

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8. Reports of the main committees

9. Closure of the Health Assembly

[1] In accordance with Rules 3 and 4 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, the provisional agenda (providing document numbers) will be dispatched, together with the notice of convocation, not less than 60 days before 18 May 2026.

Committee A

10. Opening of the Committee[2]

Provide health

11. Recommitting to accelerate progress towards malaria elimination

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

12.1 Follow-up to the political declaration of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases

Documents A79/5, A79/INF./6 and EB158/2026/REC/1, resolution EB158.R1, decisions EB158(1) and EB158(2)

12.2 Mental health

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- Immunization Agenda 2030

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- Road map for neglected tropical diseases 2021–2030

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- End TB Strategy

  Documents A79/5 and EB158/2026/REC/1, decision EB158(3)

12.4 Universal health coverage

Documents A79/5 and EB158/2026/REC/1, resolutions EB158.R2, EB158.R3, EB158.R4 and EB158.R5

- Draft global strategy for integrated emergency, critical and operative care, 2026–2035

  Documents A79/5 and EB158/2026/REC/1, decision EB158(4)

- Increasing availability, ethical access and oversight of transplantation of human cells, tissues and organs

  Documents A79/5 and EB158/2026/REC/1, decision EB158(5)

[2] Including election of Vice-Chairs and Rapporteur.

- Rare diseases: a global health priority for equity and inclusion

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12.8 Report of the Expert Advisory Group on the WHO Global Code of Practice on the International Recruitment of Health Personnel

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12.9 Draft updated global action plan on antimicrobial resistance

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12.10 Harmonization of regulatory approaches, governance and standards for data, digital health and artificial intelligence in the health sector

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13. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response

13.1 Report of the Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme

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13.2 Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)

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13.3 Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on the WHO Pandemic Agreement

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

14.1 WHO's work in health emergencies

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14.2 Strengthening the evidence base for public health and social measures

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

15.1 Strengthening rehabilitation in health systems

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15.2 Well-being and health promotion

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- Outcome of the WHO Commission on Social Connection

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15.3 The health of Indigenous Peoples

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15.4 Maternal, infant and young child nutrition

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15.5 Draft strategy on the economics of health for all

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Committee B

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

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

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17.2 Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem

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[3] Including election of Vice-Chairs and Rapporteur.

Power and performance

18. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board and the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board

Budget and finance matters

18.1 Results Report (Programme budget 2024–2025: performance assessment) and financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025

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18.2 Financing, implementation and performance framework of the Programme budget 2026–2027

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18.3 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

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Management, legal and governance matters

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- Secretariat implementation plan on reform

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

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20.1 Reform of the global health architecture and the UN80 Initiative

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20.2 Communications of the United Nations Secretary-General as depositary of the Constitution of the World Health Organization

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21. Agreements with intergovernmental organizations [if any]

22. Matters for information: progress reports

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Provide health

A. Social participation for universal health coverage, health and well-being (resolution WHA77.2 (2024))

B. Increasing access to medical oxygen (resolution WHA76.3 (2023))

C. Public health dimension of the world drug problem (decision WHA75(20) (2022))

D. The global health sector strategies on, respectively, HIV, viral hepatitis and sexually transmitted infections (resolution WHA75.20 (2022))

E. Improving access to assistive technology (resolution WHA71.8 (2018))

F. Eradication of dracunculiasis (resolutions WHA64.16 (2011) and WHA78.14 (2025))

G. Reproductive health: strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets (resolution WHA57.12 (2004))

H. Availability, safety and quality of blood products (decision WHA75(17) (2022))

I. WHO strategy on research for health (resolution WHA63.21 (2010))

J. Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property (resolution WHA75.14 (2022))

Protect health

K. Strengthening laboratory biological risk management (resolution WHA77.7 (2024))

L. Pandemic Influenza Preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits (resolution WHA64.5 (2011))

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

Promote health

N. Reducing public health risks associated with the sale of live wild animals of mammalian species in traditional food markets – infection prevention and control (decision WHA75(23) (2022))

O. WHO global strategy for food safety (decision WHA75(22) (2022))

P. Accelerating efforts for preventing micronutrient deficiencies and their consequences, including spina bifida and other neural tube defects, through safe and effective food fortification (resolution WHA76.19 (2023))

Q. Decade of Healthy Ageing 2020–2030 (decision WHA73(12) (2020))

Power and performance

R. Strategy for integrating gender analysis and actions into the work of WHO (resolution WHA60.25 (2007))