

Consolidated report by the Director-General¹

PILLAR 1: ONE BILLION MORE PEOPLE BENEFITTING FROM UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE

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

11.1 Primary health care

The Executive Board at its 146th session noted the report on primary health care² and adopted [decision EB146\(18\)](#), in which, inter alia, the Director-General was requested to finalize, in consultation with Member States, for consideration by the Seventy-third World Health Assembly, an operational framework on strengthening primary health care. In response, the Secretariat organized a further web-based consultation with Member States, focused on the full-text version of the operational framework for primary health care: transforming vision into action.³

11.2 Follow-up to the high-level meetings of the United Nations General Assembly on health-related issues⁴

- **Universal health coverage: moving together to build a healthier world**

The Board noted the report on universal health coverage: moving together for a better world.⁵ During the discussions, responding to Board members' comments, the Secretariat undertook to redouble efforts to achieve universal health coverage, in cooperation with Member States and other partners.⁶

¹ In the present document the texts under each agenda item should be read in conjunction with the corresponding reports considered by the Executive Board at its 146th session. The summary records are available at the following link: <http://apps.who.int/gb/or/>.

² Document EB146/5; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, second meeting, section 5, fourth meeting, section 3 and fourteenth meeting, section 1.

³ The revised full text based on this consultation can be found on the WHO website at https://www.who.int/health-topics/primary-health-care#tab=tab_3.

⁴ For information on the second bullet (Political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases) see document A73/5.

⁵ Document EB146/6; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, fifth meeting.

⁶ This document should be read in conjunction with the reports being submitted separately on the updated primary health care operational framework and the WHO Global Code of Practice on the International Recruitment of Health Personnel (document A73/9).

11.3 Global vaccine action plan

The Board noted the report on the global vaccine action plan.¹ It also adopted [decision EB146\(6\)](#) on meningitis prevention and control and [decision EB146\(7\)](#) on strengthening global immunization efforts to leave no-one behind. Details of the Secretariat's response to the requests made in these decisions are provided in separate documents.²

11.4 Accelerating the elimination of cervical cancer as a global public health problem

The Board noted the report on accelerating the elimination of cervical cancer as a global public health problem.³ It also adopted [resolution EB146.R6](#), in which it recommended to the Health Assembly, inter alia, the adoption of the global strategy to accelerate the elimination of cervical cancer as a public health problem and its associated goals and targets for the period 2020–2030.⁴

11.5 Ending tuberculosis

The Board noted two reports under the item on ending tuberculosis: a progress report on implementing the global strategy and targets for tuberculosis prevention, care and control after 2015, and the draft global strategy for tuberculosis research and innovation.⁵ The Board adopted [resolution EB146.R7](#), in which it recommended to the Health Assembly, inter alia, the adoption of the global strategy for tuberculosis research and innovation.⁶

11.7 Integrated, people-centred eye care, including preventable blindness and impaired vision

The Board noted the report on integrated, people-centred eye care, including preventable blindness and impaired vision.⁷ It also adopted [resolution EB146.R8](#) on integrated people-centred eye care, including preventable vision impairment and blindness.

¹ Document EB146/8; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, sixth meeting, section 2.

² Documents A73/6 and A73/7, respectively.

³ Document EB146/9; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, seventh meeting, section 1.

⁴ The draft global strategy towards eliminating cervical cancer as a public health problem is available at https://www.who.int/docs/default-source/cervical-cancer/cervical-cancer-elimination-strategy-updated-11-may-2020.pdf?sfvrsn=b8690d1a_4.

⁵ Documents EB146/10 and EB146/11.

⁶ <https://www.who.int/docs/default-source/Documents/tuberculosis/may8-edited-globtbresstrat-v2-dox> (accessed 30 March 2020).

⁷ Document EB146/13; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, ninth meeting, section 2.

11.9 Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property

The Board noted the report on the global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property.¹ It also adopted [decision EB146\(10\)](#), in which the Board decided, inter alia, to reiterate to the Director-General the necessity of presenting an implementation plan consistent with the global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property in conformity with paragraph 3 of decision WHA71(9) (2018). The Board also recommended that the Health Assembly adopt a decision in which it also reiterated to the Director-General the necessity to allocate the necessary resources to implement the recommendations of the review panel referred to in decision WHA71(9).

PILLAR 2: ONE BILLION MORE PEOPLE BETTER PROTECTED FROM HEALTH EMERGENCIES

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

13.3 Influenza preparedness

The Board noted the report on influenza preparedness² and adopted [decision EB146\(19\)](#). In response to the requests contained in decision WHA72(12) (2019) on the Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Framework for the sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits, the Secretariat has prepared separate reports on activities in relation to paragraphs 1(a),³ 1(b),⁴ and 1(c), (d) and (e)⁵.

13.4 Cholera prevention and control

The Board noted the report on cholera prevention and control,⁶ with Board members highlighting the importance of: a multisectoral approach that included health systems' strengthening; and political commitment.

¹ Document EB146/15; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, tenth meeting, section 2.

² Document EB146/18; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, tenth meeting, section 3, and fourteenth meeting, section 2.

³ Report on influenza virus sharing ([https://www.who.int/influenza/pip/governance/WHA72\(12\)OP1\(a\)_Report_24Feb2020.pdf](https://www.who.int/influenza/pip/governance/WHA72(12)OP1(a)_Report_24Feb2020.pdf), accessed 18 March 2020).

⁴ Pandemic Influenza Preparedness (PIP) Framework. Draft report on decision WHA72(12) 1(b) (https://www.who.int/influenza/pip/governance/OP1bReport_14Mar2020.pdf, accessed 19 March 2010).

⁵ Pandemic Influenza Preparedness (PIP) Framework. Draft report on Decision WHA72(12)1(c),(d),(e) (available at <https://www.who.int/influenza/pip/governance/Report-WHA72-12-cde.pdf?ua=1>, accessed 30 March 2020).

⁶ Document EB146/20; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, fifteenth meeting, section 5.

PILLAR 3: ONE BILLION MORE PEOPLE ENJOYING BETTER HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

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

15.2 Maternal, infant and young child nutrition

The Board noted the report on maternal, infant and young child nutrition¹ and adopted [decision EB146\(20\)](#). As full agreement had not been reached with all Member States in respect of proposed text for an additional operative paragraph, the Board decided to retain the text concerned in square brackets, and to seek consensus on the final wording of the draft decision during the intersessional period. Some consultations have taken place on the nature of the work on digital marketing of breastmilk substitutes, its cost and time frame. It is intended to pursue the consultative process later in the year.

15.3 Accelerating efforts on food safety

The Board noted the report on accelerating efforts on food safety² and adopted [resolution EB146.R9](#).

PILLAR 4: MORE EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT WHO PROVIDING BETTER SUPPORT TO COUNTRIES

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

Budget matters

18.1 Programme budget 2020–2021

The Board noted the reports on the WHO resource mobilization strategy³ and on the measurement of the results framework for the Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019–2023,⁴ concurring with the recommendations of its Programme, Budget and Administration Committee.⁵ A report on the WHO results framework is submitted to the Health Assembly separately in document A73/16 Rev.1.

¹ Document EB146/24; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, twelfth meeting, section 4 and fourteenth meeting, section 4.

² Document EB146/25; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, thirteenth meeting, section 1.

³ Document EB146/29; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, third meeting (section 1).

⁴ Document EB146/28 Rev.1, see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, third meeting (section 1).

⁵ See document EB146/3 (WHO resource mobilization strategy: recommendations (a) to (k)).

Managerial, administrative and governance matters

18.3 Geneva buildings renovation strategy

The Board noted the report on the Geneva buildings renovation strategy¹ and adopted [decision EB146\(3\)](#).

18.4 WHO reform

The Board noted the report on WHO reform: governance² and adopted [decision EB146\(21\)](#), in which it requested the Director-General to undertake various activities in relation to matters concerning the sunset of reporting requirements of resolutions and decisions, covered in paragraphs 4–10 of the report, and to submit a final list of recommendations in that regard to the Executive Board at its 148th session. In relation to paragraphs 11–13 of the report, the Board also in decision EB146(21) recommended to the Health Assembly the adoption of a decision.

18.6 Data and innovation: draft global strategy on digital health

The Board noted the report on data and innovation: draft global strategy on digital health³ and adopted [decision EB146\(15\)](#), in which it recommended to the Health Assembly, inter alia, the endorsement of the global strategy on digital health.⁴

Staffing matters

18.8 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

The Board noted the report of the International Civil Service Commission.⁵

ACTION BY THE HEALTH ASSEMBLY

The Health Assembly is invited to note this report. The Health Assembly is further invited:

- under item 11.1, to consider the draft operational framework on strengthening primary health care and discuss the way forward
- under item 11.4, to adopt the resolution recommended by the Executive Board in resolution EB146.R6

¹ Document EB146/41; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, third meeting, section 3.

² Document EB146/32; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, fourteenth meeting, section 5.

³ Document EB146/26; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, thirteenth meeting, section 2.

⁴ The global strategy on digital health is available at www.who.int/dhstrategy.

⁵ Document EB146/50; see also the summary records of the Executive Board at its 146th session, fourth meeting (section 1).

- under item 11.5, to adopt the resolution recommended by the Executive Board in resolution EB146.R7
- under item 11.7, to adopt the resolution recommended by the Executive Board in resolution EB146.R8
- under item 11.9, to adopt the decision recommended by the Executive Board in decision EB146(10)
- under item 13.3, to adopt the decision recommended by the Executive Board in decision EB146(19)
- under item 15.3, to adopt the resolution recommended by the Executive Board in resolution EB146.R9
- under item 18.3, to adopt the decision recommended by the Executive Board in decision EB146(3)
- under item 18.4, to adopt the decision recommended by the Executive Board in decision EB146(21)
- under item 18.6, to adopt the decision recommended by the Executive Board in decision EB146(15).

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