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**Agenda 27 Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other
intergovernmental organizations**

The United Nations (UN), through the World Health Organization, has consistently placed health at the forefront in its pursuit of human development. By embedding indicators in various UN agendas, plans, and policies, the UN prompts **enhanced country-level integration**. This approach reaffirms the critical role of health towards the Sustainable Development Goals.

The Philippines echoes this sentiment and acknowledges the unique conditions faced by the WHO amidst various global challenges. We believe firmly that **agile collaborative frameworks**, cultivated through **multilateral and regional cooperation**, will continue to bolster global efforts in advancing health security and in weathering global health challenges.

During the 2024 monkeypox global outbreak, the Philippines, as part of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), actively collaborated to implement health security protocols. This endeavor, undertaken by the ASEAN Regional Health Committee, further underscores the importance of a stronger **regional partnerships** in addressing public health emergencies.

The Philippines as an archipelago within the Pacific Ocean, sharing a common heritage and standing in solidarity with the Pacific Island countries, to ensure a resilient health system. Collectively, we establish the Philippine-Pacific Health Initiative in November 2024, promoting **equal and proactive multilateral partnerships** for a sustainable health workforce and complementing the 2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent adopted by PIC leaders.

Furthermore, amidst the shifting development milieu, **South-South and Triangular Cooperation** offers a strategic avenue to ensure mutual political will, sustainability of health initiatives, and facilitate the effective sharing of technical expertise and resources to achieve common priorities.