

25 February 2020

## **FORWARD-LOOKING PLANNING SCHEDULE OF EXPECTED AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND HEALTH ASSEMBLY**

The forward-looking planning schedule of expected agenda items is provided in accordance with resolution WHA69(8) (2016) and decision EB144(3) (2019). It provides information about items expected on the agendas of the governing bodies over a period of six years. These include the agendas of the Executive Board, including its standing committees, and the Health Assembly.

The schedule is based on standing items, requirements established by decisions and resolutions of the governing bodies, as well as those required by the Constitution, regulations and rules of the Organization.

The schedule is divided into three sections, providing the expected items for the Executive Board, the Health Assembly, and Programme, Budget and Administration Committee, respectively.

The agenda items are listed under the relevant pillars of the Programme budget (themselves expressing the triple billion targets of the Thirteenth general Programme of Work, 2019–2023). At the top of each agenda, the total number of agenda items is provided.

**148th session of the Executive Board, January 2021 (36 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Report by the Director-General**
- 4. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**
- 5. Report of the regional committees to the Executive Board**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

- 6. Global action on patient safety**
- 7. Follow-up to the political declaration of the third high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases**

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition*
- United Nations Decade of Action on Nutrition (2016–2025)*
- WHO global action plan on physical activity 2018–2030*
- Cancer prevention and control in the context of an integrated approach)*

- 8. Substandard and falsified medical products**
- 9. Expanding access to effective treatments for cancer and rare and orphan diseases, including medicines, vaccines, medical devices, diagnostics, assistive products, cell- and gene-based therapies and other health technologies**
- 10. Antimicrobial resistance**
- 11. Comprehensive and coordinated efforts for the management of autism spectrum disorders**
- 12. Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property**

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

- 13. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**
  - 13.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
  - 13.2 WHO's work in health emergencies

13.3 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits

13.4 The public health implications of implementation of the Nagoya Protocol

**14. Poliomyelitis**

14.1 Poliomyelitis eradication

14.2 Polio transition planning and polio post-certification

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being<sup>1</sup>**

**15. Social determinants of health**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

**16. Budget and finance matters**

16.1 Proposed programme budget

16.2 Financing and implementation of Programme budget 2020–2021

16.3 Scale of assessments

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

**17. Governance matters**

17.1 WHO reform: governance

17.2 Engagement with non-State actors

- Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
- Non-State actors in official relations with WHO

17.3 Provisional agenda of the Seventy-fourth World Health Assembly and date and place of the 149th session of the Executive Board

**18. Committees of the Executive Board**

18.1 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]

18.2 Foundation committees and selection panels

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<sup>1</sup> In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), selected issues related to the prevention of noncommunicable diseases, as well as nutrition are included in the report listed under agenda item 7.

**19. Staffing matters**

19.1 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations

19.2 Report of the Ombudsman

19.3 Human resources: annual report

19.4 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

19.5 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

**20. Progress reports**

20.1 Improving the transparency of markets for medicines, vaccines, and other health products

**21. Report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**

- Expert advisory panels and committees and their membership

**22. Closure of the session**

**149th session of the Executive Board, May 2021 (16 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur**
- 3. Adoption of the agenda**
- 4. Outcome of the previous World Health Assembly**
- 5. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

- 6. Managerial, administrative and financial matters**
  - 6.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 6.2 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]
  - 6.3 Hosted partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships
  - 6.4 Committees of the Executive Board: filling of vacancies
  - 6.5 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
- 7. Staffing matters**
  - 7.1 Process for the election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization
  - 7.2 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations
  - 7.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
- 8. Matters for information: report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**
- 9. Future sessions of the Executive Board and the Health Assembly**
- 10. Closure of the session**

**150th session of the Executive Board, January 2022 (32 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Report by the Director-General**
- 4. Post of Director-General**
  - 4.1 Nomination of candidates
  - 4.2 Draft contract
- 5. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**
- 6. Report of the regional committees to the Executive Board**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

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

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- Global strategy to reduce the harmful use of alcohol*
- Comprehensive implementation plan on maternal, infant and young child nutrition*
- Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity: implementation plan)*

- 8. Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property**
- 9. Strengthening immunization to achieve the goals of the global vaccine action plan**
- 10. Health workforce**

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

- 11. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**
  - 11.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
  - 11.2 WHO's work in health emergencies
  - 11.3 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits

**12. Poliomyelitis**

12.1 Poliomyelitis eradication

12.2 Polio transition planning and polio post-certification

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being<sup>1</sup>**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

**13. Budget and finance matters**

13.1 Financing and implementation of Programme budget 2022–2023

13.2 Scale of assessments

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

**14. Governance matters**

14.1 Engagement with non-State actors

- Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
- Non-State actors in official relations with WHO

14.2 Provisional agenda of the Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly and date and place of the 151st session of the Executive Board

**15. Management matters**

15.1 Evaluation workplan

15.2 Update on the Infrastructure Fund

- Information management and technology
- Geneva buildings renovation strategy

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**16. Committees of the Executive Board**

16.1 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]

16.2 Foundation committees and selection panels

**17. Staffing matters**

17.1 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations

17.2 Report of the Ombudsman

17.3 Human resources: annual report

17.4 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

17.5 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

**18. Report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**

**19. Closure of the session**



**151st session of the Executive Board, May 2022 (15 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur**
- 3. Adoption of the agenda**
- 4. Outcome of the previous World Health Assembly**
- 5. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

- 6. Managerial, administrative and financial matters**
  - 6.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 6.2 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]
  - 6.3 Hosted partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships
  - 6.4 Committees of the Executive Board: filling of vacancies
  - 6.5 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
- 7. Staffing matters**
  - 7.1 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations
  - 7.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
- 8. Matters for information: report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**
- 9. Future sessions of the Executive Board and the Health Assembly**
- 10. Closure of the session**

**152nd session of the Executive Board, January 2023 (31 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Report by the Director-General**
- 4. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**
- 5. Report of the regional committees to the Executive Board**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

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

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- Global action plan on the public health response to dementia*
- Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition*
- United Nations Decade of Action on Nutrition (2016–2025)*

- 7. Substandard and falsified medical products**
- 8. Antimicrobial resistance**

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

- 9. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**

- 9.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
- 9.2 WHO's work in health emergencies
- 9.3 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits

- 10. Poliomyelitis**

- 10.1 Poliomyelitis eradication
- 10.2 Polio transition planning and polio post-certification

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**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

**11. Budget and finance matters**

- 11.1 Proposed programme budget 2024-2025
- 11.2 Financing and implementation of Programme budget 2022–2023
- 11.3 Scale of assessments
- 11.4 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

**12. Governance matters**

- 12.1 Engagement with non-State actors
  - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
  - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO
- 12.2 Provisional agenda of the Seventy-sixth World Health Assembly and date and place of the 153rd session of the Executive Board

**13. Committees of the Executive Board**

- 13.1 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]
- 13.2 Foundation committees and selection panels

**14. Staffing matters**

- 14.1 Appointment of the Regional Director for the Americas
- 14.2 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations
- 14.3 Report of the Ombudsman
- 14.4 Human resources: annual report
- 14.5 Reform of the global internship programme

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14.6 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

14.7 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

**15. Progress reports**

15.1 Eleventh revision of the International Classification of Diseases

**16. Report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**

**17. Closure of the session**

**153rd session of the Executive Board, May 2023 (15 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur**
- 3. Adoption of the agenda**
- 4. Outcome of the previous World Health Assembly**
- 5. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

- 6. Managerial, administrative and financial matters**
  - 6.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 6.2 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]
  - 6.3 Hosted partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships
  - 6.4 Committees of the Executive Board: filling of vacancies
  - 6.5 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
- 7. Staffing matters**
  - 7.1 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations
  - 7.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
- 8. Matters for information: report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**
- 9. Future sessions of the Executive Board and the Health Assembly**
- 10. Closure of the session**

**154th session of the Executive Board, January 2024 (28 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Report by the Director-General**
- 4. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**
- 5. Report of the regional committees to the Executive Board**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

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

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- WHO global strategy to reduce the harmful use of alcohol*
- Comprehensive implementation plan on maternal, infant and young child nutrition*
- Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity: implementation plan)*

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

- 7. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**
  - 7.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
  - 7.2 WHO's work in health emergencies
- 8. Poliomyelitis eradication**

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being<sup>1</sup>**

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## **Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

### **9. Budget and finance matters**

- 9.1 Financing and implementation of Programme budget 2024–2025
- 9.2 Scale of assessments
- 9.3 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

### **10. Governance matters**

- 10.1 Engagement with non-State actors
  - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
  - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO
- 10.2 Provisional agenda of the Seventy-sixth World Health Assembly and date and place of the 153rd session of the Executive Board

### **11. Management matters**

- 11.1 Evaluation workplan
- 11.2 Update on the Infrastructure Fund
  - Information management and technology
  - Geneva buildings renovations strategy

### **12. Committees of the Executive Board**

- 12.1 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]
- 12.2 Foundation committees and selection panels

### **13. Staffing matters**

- 13.1 Appointment of the Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean
- 13.2 Appointment of the Regional Director for South-East Asia
- 13.3 Appointment of the Regional Director for the Western Pacific
- 13.4 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations
- 13.5 Report of the Ombudsman

13.6 Human resources: annual report

13.7 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

13.8 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

**14. Report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**

**15. Closure of the session**



**155th session of the Executive Board, May 2024 (15 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur**
- 3. Adoption of the agenda**
- 4. Outcome of the previous World Health Assembly**
- 5. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

- 6. Managerial, administrative and financial matters**
  - 6.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 6.2 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]
  - 6.3 Hosted partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships
  - 6.4 Committees of the Executive Board: filling of vacancies
  - 6.5 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
- 7. Staffing matters**
  - 7.1 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations
  - 7.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
- 8. Matters for information: report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**
- 9. Future sessions of the Executive Board and the Health Assembly**
- 10. Closure of the session**

**156th session of the Executive Board, January 2025 (30 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Report by the Director-General**
- 4. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**
- 5. Report of the regional committees to the Executive Board**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

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

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- Comprehensive implementation plan on maternal, infant and young child nutrition*
- Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity: implementation plan*
- Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition*
- United Nations Decade of Action on Nutrition (2016–2025))*

- 7. Antimicrobial resistance**
- 8. Substandard and falsified medical products**
- 9. Health workforce**

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

- 10. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**
  - 10.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
  - 10.2 WHO's work in health emergencies
  - 10.3 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits
- 11. Poliomyelitis eradication**

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being<sup>1</sup>**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

**12. Budget and finance matters**

- 12.1 Proposed programme budget
- 12.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
- 12.3 Scale of assessments
- 12.4 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

**13. Governance matters**

- 13.1 Engagement with non-State actors
  - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
  - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO
- 13.2 Provisional agenda of the Seventy-sixth World Health Assembly and date and place of the 153rd session of the Executive Board

**14. Committees of the Executive Board**

- 14.1 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]
- 14.2 Foundation committees and selection panels

**15. Staffing matters**

- 15.1 Appointment of the Regional Director for Africa
- 15.2 Appointment of the Regional Director for Europe
- 15.3 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations
- 15.4 Report of the Ombudsman
- 15.5 Human resources: annual report

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15.6 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

15.7 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

**16. Report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**

**17. Closure of the session**

**157th session of the Executive Board, May 2025 (15 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur**
- 3. Adoption of the agenda**
- 4. Outcome of the previous World Health Assembly**
- 5. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

- 6. Managerial, administrative and financial matters**
  - 6.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 6.2 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]
  - 6.3 Hosted partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships
  - 6.4 Committees of the Executive Board: filling of vacancies
  - 6.5 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
- 7. Staffing matters**
  - 7.1 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations
  - 7.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
- 8. Matters for information: report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**
- 9. Future sessions of the Executive Board and the Health Assembly**
- 10. Closure of the session**

**158th session of the Executive Board, January 2026 (25 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Report by the Director-General**
- 4. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**
- 5. Report of the regional committees to the Executive Board**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

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

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- Global action plan on the public health response to dementia*
- WHO global strategy to reduce the harmful use of alcohol*
- Cancer prevention and control in the context of an integrated approach*
- Comprehensive implementation plan on maternal, infant and young child nutrition*
- Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity: implementation plan (decision)*
- WHO global action plan on physical activity 2018–2030)*

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

- 7. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**
  - 7.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
  - 7.2 WHO's work in health emergencies
- 8. Poliomyelitis eradication**

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being<sup>1</sup>**

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## **Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

### **9. Budget and finance matters**

- 9.1 Financing and implementation of Programme budget
- 9.2 Scale of assessments
- 9.3 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

### **10. Governance matters**

- 10.1 Engagement with non-State actors
  - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
  - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO
- 10.2 Provisional agenda of the Seventy-ninth World Health Assembly and date and place of the 159th session of the Executive Board

### **11. Management matters**

- 11.1 Evaluation workplan
- 11.2 Update on the Infrastructure Fund
  - Information management and technology
  - Geneva buildings renovations strategy

### **12. Committees of the Executive Board**

- 12.1 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]
- 12.2 Foundation committees and selection panels

### **13. Staffing matters**

- 13.1 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations
- 13.2 Report of the Ombudsman
- 13.3 Human resources: annual report
- 13.4 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
- 13.5 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

- 14. Report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**
- 15. Closure of the session**



**159th session of the Executive Board, May 2026 (16 items)**

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Election of Chairman, Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur**
- 3. Adoption of the agenda**
- 4. Outcome of the previous World Health Assembly**
- 5. Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

- 6. Managerial, administrative and financial matters**
  - 6.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 6.2 Membership of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee [if any]
  - 6.3 Hosted partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships
  - 6.4 Committees of the Executive Board: filling of vacancies
  - 6.5 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
- 7. Staffing matters**
  - 7.1 Process for the election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization
  - 7.2 Statement by the representative of the WHO staff associations
  - 7.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
- 8. Matters for information: report on meetings of expert committees and study groups**
- 9. Future sessions of the Executive Board and the Health Assembly**
- 10. Closure of the session**

## **Section II: Health Assembly**

### **Seventy- fourth World Health Assembly, May 2021 (68 items, including 16 progress reports)**

#### **PLENARY**

- 1. Opening of the Health Assembly**
  - 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
  - 1.2 Election of the President
  - 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee
  - 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees
- 2. Report of the Executive Board on its previous sessions**
- 3. Address by the Director-General**
- 4. Invited speakers**
- 5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any]**
- 6. Executive Board: election**
- 7. Awards**
- 8. Reports of the main committees**
- 9. Closure of the Health Assembly**

#### **COMMITTEE A**

- 10. Opening of the Committee<sup>1</sup>**

#### **Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

- 11. Global action on patient safety**

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<sup>1</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.

**12. Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

*(This item also covers the following:*

- Primary health care*
- Preparation for the high-level meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on universal health coverage*
- Progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*
- Strengthening essential public health functions in support of the achievement of universal health coverage*
- Emergency care systems for universal health coverage: ensuring timely care for the acutely ill and injured)*

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

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition*
- United Nations Decade of Action on Nutrition (2016–2025)*
- WHO global action plan on physical activity 2018–2030*
- Cancer prevention and control in the context of an integrated approach)*

**14. Comprehensive and coordinated efforts for the management of autism spectrum disorders**

**15. Substandard and falsified medical products**

**16. Expanding access to effective treatments for cancer and rare and orphan diseases, including medicines, vaccines, medical devices, diagnostics, assistive products, cell- and gene-based therapies and other health technologies**

**17. Antimicrobial resistance**

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

**18. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**

18.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme

18.2 WHO's work in health emergencies

18.3 Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)

18.4 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits

18.5 The public health implications of implementation of the Nagoya Protocol

**19. Poliomyelitis**

19.1 Poliomyelitis eradication

19.2 Polio transition planning and polio post-certification

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being<sup>1</sup>**

**20. Water, sanitation and hygiene in health care facilities**

**21. Social determinants of health**

**22. Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health (2016–2030)**

**COMMITTEE B**

**23. Opening of the Committee<sup>2</sup>**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

**24. Budget and finance matters**

24.1 Proposed programme budget

24.2 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements

24.3 Financing and implementation of Programme budget

24.4 Scale of assessments

24.5 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

24.6 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]

24.7 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]

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

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<sup>1</sup> In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), selected issues related to the prevention of noncommunicable diseases and nutrition are covered under agenda item 13

<sup>2</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.

**25. Management and legal matters**

- 25.1 WHO reform: governance
- 25.2 Evaluation
- 25.3 Agreement with intergovernmental organizations [if any]

**26. Audit and oversight matters**

- 26.1 Report of the External Auditor
- 26.2 Report of the Internal Auditor
- 26.3 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation

**27. Staffing matters**

- 27.1 Human resources: annual report
- 27.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
- 27.3 Report of the International Civil Service Commission
- 27.4 Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board
- 27.5 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

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

**29. Matters for information**

- 29.1 Strengthening synergies between the World Health Assembly and the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control
- 29.2 Progress reports

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

- A. Improving the transparency of markets for medicines, vaccines, and other health products (*resolution WHA72.8*)
- B. Rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease (*resolution WHA71.14*)
- C. Working towards universal coverage of maternal, newborn and child health interventions (*resolution WHA58.31*)
- D. Promoting the health of refugees and migrants (*decision WHA72(14)*)

- E. Progress in the rational use of medicines (*resolution WHA60.16*)
- F. Eradication of dracunculiasis (*resolution WHA64.16*)
- G. Elimination of schistosomiasis (*resolution WHA65.21*)
- H. Global health sector strategies on HIV, viral hepatitis and sexually transmitted infections, for the period 2016–2021 (*resolution WHA69.22*)
- I. Prevention of deafness and hearing loss (*resolution WHA70.13*)
- J. WHO global disability action plan 2014–2021: better health for all people with disability (*resolution WHA67.7*)

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

- K. Smallpox eradication (*resolution WHA60.1*)

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being**

- L. Strategy for integrating gender analysis and actions into the work of WHO (*resolution WHA60.25*)
- M. WHO global plan of action to strengthen the role of the health system within a national multisectoral response to address interpersonal violence, in particular against women and girls, and against children (*resolution WHA69.5*)
- N. The role of the health sector in the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management towards the 2020 goal and beyond (*decision WHA70(23)*)
- O. Plan of action on climate change and health in small island developing States (*decision WHA72(10)*)
- P. WHO global strategy on health, environment and climate change: the transformation needed to improve lives and well-being sustainably through healthy environments (*decision WHA72(9)*)

**Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly, May 2022  
(57 items, including 14 progress reports)**

**1. Opening of the Health Assembly**

- 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
- 1.2 Election of the President
- 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee
- 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees

**2. Report of the Executive Board on its previous sessions**

**3. Address by the Director-General**

**4. Invited speakers**

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

**6. Executive Board: election**

**7. Awards**

**8. Reports of the main committees**

**9. Closure of the Health Assembly**

**COMMITTEE A**

**10. Opening of the Committee<sup>1</sup>**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

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

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- Global strategy to reduce the harmful use of alcohol*

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<sup>1</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.

- *Comprehensive implementation plan on maternal, infant and young child nutrition*
- *Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity: implementation plan)*

**12. Strengthening immunization to achieve the goals of the global vaccine action plan**

**13. Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property**

**14. Health workforce**

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

**15. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**

- 15.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
- 15.2 WHO's work in health emergencies
- 15.3 Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)
- 15.4 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits

**16. Poliomyelitis**

- 16.1 Poliomyelitis eradication
- 16.2 Polio transition planning and polio post-certification

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being<sup>1</sup>**

**COMMITTEE B**

**17. Opening of the Committee<sup>2</sup>**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

**18. Budget and finance matters**

- 18.1 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements
- 18.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget

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<sup>1</sup> In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), selected issues related to the prevention of noncommunicable diseases and nutrition are covered under agenda item 11.

<sup>2</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.



- 18.3 Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019–2023
- 18.4 Scale of assessments
- 18.5 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
- 18.6 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]
- 18.7 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
- 18.8 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

**19. Management and legal matters**

- 19.1 Evaluation
- 19.2 Update on the Infrastructure Fund
  - Information management and technology
  - Geneva buildings renovations strategy
- 19.3 Agreement with intergovernmental organizations [if any]

**20. Audit and oversight matters**

- 20.1 Report of the External Auditor
- 20.2 Report of the Internal Auditor
- 20.3 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation

**21. Staffing matters**

- 21.1 Human resources: annual report
- 21.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
- 21.3 Report of the International Civil Service Commission
- 21.4 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

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

**23. Matters for information: progress reports**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

- A. Strengthening integrated people-centred health services (*resolution WHA69.24*)
- B. Improving access to assistive technology (*resolution WHA71.8*)
- C. Availability, safety and quality of blood products (*resolution WHA63.12*)
- D. Reproductive health: strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets (*resolution WHA57.12*)
- E. Traditional medicine (*resolution WHA67.18*)
- F. Eradication of dracunculiasis (*resolution WHA64.16*)
- G. Global vector control response: an integrated approach for the control of vector-borne diseases (*resolution WHA70.16*)
- H. Human organ and tissue transplantation (*resolution WHA63.22*)
- I. WHO strategy on research for health (*resolution WHA63.21*)

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

- J. Smallpox eradication (*resolution WHA60.1*)

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being**

- K. Infant and young child nutrition (*resolution EB97.R13*)
- L. Sustaining the elimination of iodine deficiency disorders (*resolution WHA60.21*)
- M. Public health dimension of the world drug problem (*decision WHA70(18)*)

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

- N. Eleventh revision of the International Classification of Diseases (*resolution WHA72.15*)

**Seventy-sixth World Health Assembly, May 2023  
(60 items, including 11 progress reports)**

**1. Opening of the Health Assembly**

- 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
- 1.2 Election of the President
- 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee
- 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees

**2. Report of the Executive Board on its previous sessions**

**3. Address by the Director-General**

**4. Invited speakers**

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

**6. Executive Board: election**

**7. Awards**

**8. Reports of the main committees**

**9. Closure of the Health Assembly**

**COMMITTEE A**

**10. Opening of the Committee<sup>1</sup>**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

**11. Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

*(This item covers the following:*

- Primary health care*
- Preparation for the high-level meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on universal health coverage*
- Progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*

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<sup>1</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.

- *Strengthening essential public health functions in support of the achievement of universal health coverage*
- *Emergency care systems for universal health coverage: ensuring timely care for the acutely ill and injured*

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

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- *Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- *Global action plan on the public health response to dementia*
- *Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition*
- *United Nations Decade of Action on Nutrition (2016–2025)*

**13. Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property**

**14. Substandard and falsified medical products**

**15. Antimicrobial resistance**

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

**16. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**

- 16.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
- 16.2 WHO's work in health emergencies
- 16.3 Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)
- 16.4 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits

**17. Poliomyelitis**

- 17.1 Poliomyelitis eradication
- 17.2 Polio transition planning and polio post-certification

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being<sup>1</sup>**

- 18. **Water, sanitation and hygiene in health care facilities**
- 19. **Global Strategy for Women’s, Children’s and Adolescents’ Health (2016–2030)**

**COMMITTEE B**

- 20. **Opening of the Committee<sup>2</sup>**

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

**21. Budget and finance matters**

- 21.1 Proposed programme budget
- 21.2 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements
- 21.3 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
- 21.4 Scale of assessments
- 21.5 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
- 21.6 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]
- 21.7 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
- 21.8 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

**22. Management and legal matters**

- 22.1 Evaluation
- 22.2 Agreement with intergovernmental organizations [if any]

**23. Audit and oversight matters**

- 23.1 Report of the Internal Auditor
- 23.2 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation

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<sup>1</sup> In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), selected issues related to the prevention of noncommunicable diseases and nutrition are covered under agenda item 12.

<sup>2</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.

23.3 Report of the External Auditor

23.4 Appointment of the External Auditor

**24. Staffing matters**

24.1 Human resources: annual report

24.2 Reform of the global internship programme

24.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

24.4 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

24.5 Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board

24.6 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

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

**26. Matters for information**

26.1 Strengthening synergies between the World Health Assembly and the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control

26.2 Progress reports

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

A. Prevention of deafness and hearing loss (*resolution WHA70.13*)

B. Global action on patient safety (*resolution WHA72.6*)

C. Promoting the health of refugees and migrants (*decision WHA72(14)*)

D. Working towards universal coverage of maternal, newborn and child health interventions (*resolution WHA58.31*)

E. Newborn health action plan (*resolution WHA67.10*)

F. Progress in the rational use of medicines (*resolution WHA60.16*)

G. Eradication of dracunculiasis (*resolution WHA64.16*)

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

- H. Smallpox eradication (*resolution WHA60.1*)<sup>1</sup>

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being**

- I. Female genital mutilation (*resolution WHA61.16*)
- J. Strategy for integrating gender analysis and actions into the work of WHO (*resolution WHA60.25*)

**Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

- K. Eleventh revision of the International Classification of Diseases (*resolution WHA72.15*)

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<sup>1</sup>A substantive item on smallpox eradication is to be scheduled between 2023 and 2025 (date to be determined).

**Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly, May 2024  
(46 items, including 7 progress reports)**

- 1. Opening of the Health Assembly**
  - 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
  - 1.2 Election of the President
  - 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee
  - 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees
- 2. Report of the Executive Board on its previous sessions**
- 3. Address by the Director-General**
- 4. Invited speakers**
- 5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any]**
- 6. Executive Board: election**
- 7. Awards**
- 8. Reports of the main committees**
- 9. Closure of the Health Assembly**

**COMMITTEE A**

- 10. Opening of the Committee<sup>1</sup>**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

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

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- Global strategy to reduce the harmful use of alcohol*

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<sup>1</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.



- *Comprehensive implementation plan on maternal, infant and young child nutrition*
- *Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity: implementation plan)*

## **Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

### **12. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**

- 12.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
- 12.2 WHO's work in health emergencies
- 12.3 Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)
- 12.4 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits

### **13. Poliomyelitis eradication**

## **Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being<sup>1</sup>**

### **14. Committing to implementation of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health**

## **COMMITTEE B**

### **15. Opening of the Committee<sup>2</sup>**

## **Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

### **16. Budget and finance matters**

- 16.1 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements
- 16.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
- 16.3 Scale of assessments
- 16.4 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
- 16.5 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]

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<sup>1</sup> In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), selected issues related to the prevention of noncommunicable diseases and nutrition are covered under agenda item 11.

<sup>2</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.

16.6 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]

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

**17. Management and legal matters**

17.1 Evaluation

17.2 Update on the Infrastructure Fund

- Information management and technology
- Geneva buildings renovations strategy

17.3 Agreement with intergovernmental organizations [if any]

**18. Audit and oversight matters**

18.1 Report of the External Auditor

18.2 Report of the Internal Auditor

18.3 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation

**19. Staffing matters**

19.1 Human resources: annual report

19.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

19.3 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

19.4 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

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

**21. Matters for information: progress reports**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

- A. Strengthening integrated people-centred health services (*resolution WHA69.24*)
- B. Reproductive health: strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets (*resolution WHA57.12*)
- C. Traditional medicine (*resolution WHA67.18*)

D. WHO strategy on research for health (*resolution WHA63.21*)

E. Eradication of dracunculiasis (*resolution WHA64.16*)

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

F. Smallpox eradication (*resolution WHA60.1*)<sup>1</sup>

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being**

G. Infant and young child nutrition (*resolution WHA61.20*)

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<sup>1</sup> A substantive item on smallpox eradication is to be scheduled between 2023 and 2025 (date to be determined).

**Seventy-eighth World Health Assembly, May 2025  
(53 items, including 8 progress reports)**

- 1. Opening of the Health Assembly**
  - 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
  - 1.2 Election of the President
  - 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee
  - 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees
- 2. Report of the Executive Board on its previous sessions**
- 3. Address by the Director-General**
- 4. Invited speakers**
- 5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any]**
- 6. Executive Board: election**
- 7. Awards**
- 8. Reports of the main committees**
- 9. Closure of the Health Assembly**

**COMMITTEE A**

- 10. Opening of the Committee<sup>1</sup>**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

- 11. Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

*(This item also covers the following:*

- Primary health care*
- Preparation for the high-level meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on universal health coverage*
- Progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*

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<sup>1</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.

- *Strengthening essential public health functions in support of the achievement of universal health coverage*
- *Emergency care systems for universal health coverage: ensuring timely care for the acutely ill and injured*

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

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- *Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- *Comprehensive implementation plan on maternal, infant and young child nutrition*
- *Outcome of the Second International Conference on Nutrition*
- *United Nations Decade of Action on Nutrition (2016–2025)*
- *Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity: implementation plan*

**13. Health workforce**

**14. Substandard and falsified medical products**

**15. Antimicrobial resistance**

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

**16. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**

- 16.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
- 16.2 WHO's work in health emergencies
- 16.3 Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)
- 16.4 Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits

**17. Poliomyelitis eradication**

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being<sup>1</sup>**

**18. Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health (2016–2030)**

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<sup>1</sup> In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), selected issues related to the prevention of noncommunicable diseases and nutrition are covered under agenda item 12.

## **COMMITTEE B**

### **19. Opening of the Committee<sup>1</sup>**

#### **Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

### **20. Budget and finance matters**

- 20.1 Proposed programme budget
- 20.2 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements
- 20.3 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
- 20.4 Scale of assessments
- 20.5 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
- 20.6 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]
- 20.7 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
- 20.8 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

### **21. Management and legal matters**

- 21.1 Evaluation
- 21.2 Agreement with intergovernmental organizations [if any]

### **22. Audit and oversight matters**

- 22.1 Report of the External Auditor
- 22.2 Report of the Internal Auditor
- 22.3 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation

### **23. Staffing matters**

- 23.1 Human resources: annual report
- 23.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

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<sup>1</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.

23.3 Report of the International Civil Service Commission

23.4 Report of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board

23.5 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

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

**25. Matters for information:**

25.1 Strengthening synergies between the World Health Assembly and the Conference of the Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control

25.2 Progress reports

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

A. Prevention of deafness and hearing loss (*resolution WHA70.13*)

B. Global action on patient safety (*resolution WHA72.6*)

C. Working towards universal coverage of maternal, newborn and child health interventions (*resolution WHA58.31*)

D. Progress in the rational use of medicines (*resolution WHA60.16*)

E. Eradication of dracunculiasis (*resolution WHA64.16*)

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

F. Smallpox eradication (*resolution WHA60.1*)<sup>1</sup>

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being**

G. Sustaining the elimination of iodine deficiency disorders (*resolution WHA60.21*)

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

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<sup>1</sup> A substantive item on smallpox eradication is to be scheduled between 2023 and 2025 (date to be determined).

**Seventy-ninth World Health Assembly, May 2026  
(48 items, including 10 progress reports)**

- 1. Opening of the Health Assembly**
  - 1.1 Appointment of the Committee on Credentials
  - 1.2 Election of the President
  - 1.3 Election of the five Vice-Presidents, the Chairmen of the main committees, and establishment of the General Committee
  - 1.4 Adoption of the agenda and allocation of items to the main committees
- 2. Report of the Executive Board on its previous sessions**
- 3. Address by the Director-General**
- 4. Invited speakers**
- 5. Admission of new Members and Associate Members [if any]**
- 6. Executive Board: election**
- 7. Awards**
- 8. Reports of the main committees**
- 9. Closure of the Health Assembly**

**COMMITTEE A**

- 10. Opening of the Committee<sup>1</sup>**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

- 11. Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

*(This item also covers the following:*

- Primary health care*
- Preparation for the high-level meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on universal health coverage*
- Progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*

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<sup>1</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.



- *Strengthening essential public health functions in support of the achievement of universal health coverage*
- *Emergency care systems for universal health coverage: ensuring timely care for the acutely ill and injured*

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

*(In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), this item includes a consolidated report covering the following:*

- *Comprehensive mental health action plan 2013–2020*
- *Global action plan on the public health response to dementia*
- *Cancer prevention and control in the context of an integrated approach*
- *Comprehensive implementation plan on maternal, infant and young child nutrition*
- *Report of the Commission on Ending Childhood Obesity: implementation plan*
- *WHO global action plan on physical activity 2018–2030)*

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

**13. Public health emergencies: preparedness and response**

- 13.1 The Independent Oversight and Advisory Committee for the WHO Health Emergencies Programme
- 13.2 WHO's work in health emergencies
- 13.3 Implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)

**14. Poliomyelitis eradication**

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being<sup>1</sup>**

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<sup>1</sup> In line with paragraph 3(e) of decision WHA72(11), selected issues related to the prevention of noncommunicable diseases and nutrition are covered under agenda item 12.

## **COMMITTEE B**

### **15. Opening of the Committee<sup>1</sup>**

#### **Pillar 4: More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries**

### **16. Budget and finance matters**

- 16.1 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements
- 16.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
- 16.3 Scale of assessments
- 16.4 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
- 16.5 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]
- 16.6 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
- 16.7 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]

### **17. Management and legal matters**

- 17.1 Evaluation
- 17.2 Update on the Infrastructure Fund
  - Information management and technology
  - Geneva buildings renovations strategy
- 17.3 Agreement with intergovernmental organizations [if any]

### **18. Audit and oversight matters**

- 18.1 Report of the External Auditor
- 18.2 Report of the Internal Auditor
- 18.3 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation

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<sup>1</sup> Including election of Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur.

**19. Staffing matters**

- 19.1 Human resources: annual report
- 19.2 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
- 19.3 Report of the International Civil Service Commission
- 19.4 Appointment of representatives to the WHO Staff Pension Committee

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

**21. Matters for information: progress reports**

**Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage**

- A. Eradication of dracunculiasis (*resolution WHA64.16 (2011)*)
- B. Human organ and tissue transplantation (*resolution WHA63.22 (2010)*)
- C. Female genital mutilation (*resolution WHA61.16 (2008)*)
- D. WHO strategy on research for health (*resolution WHA63.21 (2010)*)
- E. Availability, safety and quality of blood products (*resolution WHA63.12 (2010)*)
- F. Strengthening integrated people-centred health services (*resolution WHA69.24 (2016)*)
- G. Reproductive health: strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets (*resolution WHA57.12 (2004)*)
- H. Improving access to assistive technology (*resolution WHA71.8 (2018)*)

**Pillar 2: One billion more people better protected from health emergencies**

- I. Smallpox eradication (*resolution WHA60.1*)

**Pillar 3: One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being**

- J. Infant and young child nutrition (*resolution WHA61.20 (2008)*)

## **Section III: Programme, Budget and Administration Committee**

### **33rd meeting of the PBAC, January 2021 (13 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Accountability update
- 3. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 3.1 Proposed programme budget 2022-2023
  - 3.2 Financing and implementation of Programme budget 2020–2021
  - 3.3 Scale of assessments
  - 3.4 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.5 Engagement with non-State actors
    - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
    - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO
  - 3.6 Evaluation: update
  - 3.7 Human resources: annual report
  - 3.8 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
  - 3.9 Report of the International Civil Service Commission
- 4. Adoption of the report and closure of the meeting**

**34th meeting of the PBAC, May 2021 (20 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Annual report on compliance, risk management and ethics
  - 2.3 Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit
- 3. Matters to be considered by the Health Assembly**
  - 3.1 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements
  - 3.2 Financing and implementation of Programme budget 2020–2021
  - 3.3 Scale of assessments
  - 3.4 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
  - 3.5 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]
  - 3.6 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
  - 3.7 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.8 WHO reform
  - 3.9 Report of the External Auditor
  - 3.10 Report of the Internal Auditor
  - 3.11 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation
  - 3.12 Human resources: annual report
- 4. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 4.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 4.2 Hosted health partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships

4.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

**5. Adoption of the reports and closure of the meeting**

**35th meeting of the PBAC, January 2022 (13 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Accountability update
- 3. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 3.1 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
  - 3.2 Scale of assessments
  - 3.3 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.4 Engagement with non-State actors
    - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
    - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO
  - 3.5 Evaluation
  - 3.6 Update on the Infrastructure Fund
    - Information management and technology
    - Geneva buildings renovations strategy
  - 3.7 Human resources: annual report
  - 3.8 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
  - 3.9 Report of the International Civil Service Commission
- 4. Adoption of the report and closure of the meeting**

**36th meeting of the PBAC, May 2022 (20 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Annual report on compliance, risk management and ethics
  - 2.3 Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit
- 3. Matters to be considered by the Health Assembly**
  - 3.1 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements
  - 3.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
  - 3.3 Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019–2023
  - 3.4 Scale of assessments
  - 3.5 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
  - 3.6 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]
  - 3.7 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
  - 3.8 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.9 Report of the External Auditor
  - 3.10 Report of the Internal Auditor
  - 3.11 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation
  - 3.12 Human resources: annual report
- 4. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 4.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 4.2 Hosted health partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships



4.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

**5. Adoption of the reports and closure of the meeting**

**37th meeting of the PBAC, January 2023 (14 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Accountability update
- 3. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 3.1 Proposed programme budget
  - 3.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
  - 3.3 Scale of assessments
  - 3.4 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.5 Engagement with non-State actors
    - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
    - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO
  - 3.6 Evaluation
  - 3.7 Human resources: annual report
  - 3.8 Reform of the global internship programme
  - 3.9 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
  - 3.10 Report of the International Civil Service Commission
- 4. Adoption of the report and closure of the meeting**

**38th meeting of the PBAC, May 2023 (20 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Annual report on compliance, risk management and ethics
  - 2.3 Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit
- 3. Matters to be considered by the Health Assembly**
  - 3.1 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements
  - 3.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
  - 3.3 Scale of assessments
  - 3.4 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
  - 3.5 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]
  - 3.6 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
  - 3.7 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.8 Report of the Internal Auditor
  - 3.9 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation
  - 3.10 Report of the External Auditor
  - 3.11 Human resources: annual report
  - 3.12 Reform of the global internship programme
- 4. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 4.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 4.2 Hosted health partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships

4.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

**5. Adoption of the reports and closure of the meeting**

**39th meeting of the PBAC, January 2024 (13 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Accountability update
- 3. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 3.1 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
  - 3.2 Scale of assessments
  - 3.3 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.4 Engagement with non-State actors
    - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
    - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO
  - 3.5 Evaluation
  - 3.6 Update on the Infrastructure Fund
    - Information management and technology
    - Geneva buildings renovations strategy
  - 3.7 Human resources: annual report
  - 3.8 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
  - 3.9 Report of the International Civil Service Commission
- 4. Adoption of the report and closure of the meeting**

**40th meeting of the PBAC, May 2024 (20 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Annual report on compliance, risk management and ethics
  - 2.3 Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit
- 3. Matters to be considered by the Health Assembly**
  - 3.1 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements
  - 3.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
  - 3.3 Scale of assessments
  - 3.4 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
  - 3.5 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]
  - 3.6 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
  - 3.7 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.8 Report of the External Auditor
  - 3.9 Report of the Internal Auditor
  - 3.10 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation
  - 3.11 Human resources: annual report
- 4. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 4.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 4.2 Hosted health partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships

4.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

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

**5. Adoption of the reports and closure of the meeting**

**41st meeting of the PBAC, January 2025 (13 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Accountability update
- 3. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 3.1 Proposed programme budget
  - 3.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
  - 3.3 Scale of assessments
  - 3.4 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.5 Engagement with non-State actors
    - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
    - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO
  - 3.6 Evaluation
  - 3.7 Human resources: annual report
  - 3.8 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
  - 3.9 Report of the International Civil Service Commission
- 4. Adoption of the report and closure of the meeting**



**42nd meeting of the PBAC, May 2025 (20 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Annual report on compliance, risk management and ethics
  - 2.3 Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit
- 3. Matters to be considered by the Health Assembly**
  - 3.1 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements
  - 3.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
  - 3.3 Scale of assessments
  - 3.4 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
  - 3.5 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]
  - 3.6 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
  - 3.7 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.8 Report of the Internal Auditor
  - 3.9 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation
  - 3.10 Report of the External Auditor
  - 3.11 Human resources: annual report
- 4. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 4.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 4.2 Hosted health partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships

4.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

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

**5. Adoption of the reports and closure of the meeting**

**43rd meeting of the PBAC, January 2026 (13 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Accountability update
- 3. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 3.1 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
  - 3.2 Scale of assessments
  - 3.3 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.4 Engagement with non-State actors
    - Report on the implementation of the Framework of Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA)
    - Non-State actors in official relations with WHO
  - 3.5 Evaluation workplan
  - 3.6 Update on the Infrastructure Fund
    - Information management and technology
    - Geneva buildings renovations strategy
  - 3.7 Human resources: annual report
  - 3.8 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]
  - 3.9 Report of the International Civil Service Commission
- 4. Adoption of the report and closure of the meeting**

**44th meeting of the PBAC, May 2026 (20 items)**

- 1. Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda**
- 2. Matters for information or action by the Committee**
  - 2.1 Report of the Independent Expert Oversight Advisory Committee
  - 2.2 Annual report on compliance, risk management and ethics
  - 2.3 Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit
- 3. Matters to be considered by the Health Assembly**
  - 3.1 WHO programmatic and financial report, including audited financial statements
  - 3.2 Financing and implementation of the Programme budget
  - 3.3 Scale of assessments
  - 3.4 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
  - 3.5 Special arrangements for settlement of arrears [if any]
  - 3.6 Assessment of new Members and Associate Members [if any]
  - 3.7 Amendments to the Financial Regulations and Financial Rules [if any]
  - 3.8 Report of the External Auditor
  - 3.9 Report of the Internal Auditor
  - 3.10 External and internal audit recommendations: progress on implementation
  - 3.11 Human resources: annual report
- 4. Matters for review by, and/or recommendation to, the Executive Board**
  - 4.1 Evaluation: annual report
  - 4.2 Hosted health partnerships [if any]
    - Report on hosted partnerships
    - Review of hosted partnerships

4.3 Amendments to the Staff Regulations and Staff Rules [if any]

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

**5. Adoption of the reports and closure of the meeting**

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