

79th World Health Assembly

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Multi-Day Events					
May 16-17	World Heart Summit	World Heart Federation	In-person	Campus Biotech	More info here.
May 17-23	Geneva Health Week	International Geneva Global Health Platform	Hybrid	Geneva Graduate Institute	More info here.
May 18-20	HIEx @ WHA79	Health Innovation Exchange (HIEx)	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here.
May 18-20	WHA79 Civil Society Networking Space	UHC2030, CSEM	In-person	Auditorium de la Pastorale	More info here.
May 20-21	Devex Impact House @ WHA	Devex, Others	Hybrid	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here.
Sunday, May 17					
11:30-13:30	Open Briefing – Introduction to the 79th World Health Assembly: Can Global Health Make Progress Amid Rupture?	UN Foundation, Geneva Graduate Institute's Global Health Centre	Hybrid	Geneva Graduate Institute, Auditorium Ivan Pictet	More info here.
12:30-14:30	From Progress to Power: How African Institutions Are Redefining the Future of Global Health	Merck	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here.
15:00-17:00	Ministerial Health Meeting: Reimagining the Multilateral Health System	Governments of UK and South Africa	In-person	Upon invite	Invite only.
16:00-19:00	Recognizing Traumatic Brain Injury as a Notifiable and Chronic Condition	International Society of Global Neurosurgery	In-person	Novotel Genève Centre	More info here.
17:30-20:00	Understanding Pandemic Risk to Drive Better Investments	UN Foundation, National Academy of Medicine (NAM), in partnership with the Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, Brazil and the Communicable Diseases Agency, Singapore	In-person	Upon invite	Invite only.
18:00-20:00	Advancing Health Equity for Bleeding Disorders	World Federation for Hemophilia (WFH)	In-person	Le restaurant Vieux Bois	More info here.
18:00-21:00	A Safer Childhood is in our Hands: An Evening to End Violence Against Children	Together for Girls, Project Everyone	In-person	Upon invite	More info here.
18:30-20:30	Digital health wallets for better continuity of care	Alliance for Health Policy, Systems Research at WHO, WHO Department of Data, Digital Health, Analytics & AI with support from Temasek Foundation	In-person	Jardin de Penthes	More info here.
Monday, May 18					
7:00-9:00	Measuring What Matters, Doing What Works: PHC & Community Entry Points to Accelerate Maternal Health	Business Council for International Understanding, in	In-person	Upon invite	More info here.

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		collaboration with GE HealthCare Foundation			
8:00-8:45	“Epidemics That Didn’t Happen” Launch Event	Resolve to Save Lives, the 7-1-7 Alliance, the Gates Foundation and the Pandemic Fund	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
8:00-9:00	Evidence to action: Preventing lead poisoning to save lives	World Health Organization, Bloomberg Philanthropies, and Resolve to Save Lives	Hybrid	Restaurant Vieux Bois	More info here .
8:00-10:30	Locally Led, Globally Scaled. The Next Phase of the Global Breast Cancer Initiative (GBCI)	City Cancer Challenge (C/Can)	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
11:00-12:00	NCDs and mental health: from declaration to delivery	Boehringer Ingelheim in collaboration with NCD Alliance	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
11:00-12:30	What’s Next for Pandemic Monitoring?	The Independent Panel, GPMB, IPPS, NAM, UNF	In-person	Upon invite	More info coming soon.
12:00-15:00	Global Health Forum 2026: The Future of Health Security and Sustainable Investment	Foreign Policy	Hybrid	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
12:00-15:00	“Keep It Simple – No Mosquitoes, No Dengue”	GX Foundation & Chinese Centre for Disease Control and Prevention	Hybrid	Upon invite	Contact info@gxfoundation.hk .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: The Belém Health Action Plan (BHAP): From COP30 to COP31 – Promoting Continuity in Climate and Health Action	Brazil, Türkiye & UAE	In-person	Room XVI Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Continuity, Respect, Equity: Midwifery Models of Care for People-Centred Health Systems to Achieve Universal Health Coverage	International Confederation of Midwives (ICM), Bangladesh, Egypt, Ethiopia, Nepal, & Zambia	Hybrid	Garden Room T WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Operationalization of the African Medicines Agency to advance regulatory harmonization, convergence and collaboration	AFRO Regional Roundtable African Medicines Agency	Hybrid	EB room WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Investing in Healthy Aging – a foundation for population health and well-being	France, Japan, Thailand, HelpAge International & International Federation of Older Persons	In-person	Room XI Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Wellbeing, sustainable economies and future generations: Advancing the Economics of Health for AI	Finland, Belgium, Ethiopia, Indonesia, UNRISD & NCD Alliance	In-person	Salle VIII Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Trusted Data in the age of AI for effective health policy making	Switzerland, OECD, Thailand, Rwanda & Estonia	In-person	Salle A WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:30	AMR & Health Security: Why Diplomacy Matters for Cooperation?	Health Diplomacy Alliance	In-person	Warwick	More info here .

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14:00-15:00	Early detection of cardiovascular-renal-metabolic conditions: from silent to seen	Boehringer Ingelheim	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
14:00-16:00	Market Shaping Conversation & Lunch	RBM, BAAM & MMV	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info coming soon.
14:00-17:00	Cancer Policy and Innovation: From Early Detection to Equitable Treatment	Ministry of Health and Welfare, Taiwan	In-person	Hotel President Wilson	More info here .
15:30-16:30	Every breath counts: making the right diagnosis at the right time	Boehringer Ingelheim	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
16:00-18:30	Achieving equitable access to infectious diseases diagnostics: Learnings and pathways forward	Access to Medicine Foundation	Hybrid	Upon invite	Invite only.
16:30-18:00	Launch of the UHC2030 narrative on digital transformation of health systems for universal health coverage	UHC2030, OECD, CSEM, DTH-Lab and Transform Health	Hybrid	CSEM Ciciel society networking space - Auditorium de la Pastorale	More info here .
16:30-18:30	Partner Social at WHA79	rani, RANA, Global Health Council & Frontline Health Workers Coalition	In-person	La Romana	More info here .
16:30-19:00	Strengthening Global Pandemic Preparedness: Collaborative Approaches for Rapid and Resilient Responses	Communicable Disease Agency - Singapore, Robert Koch Institut & WHO	In-person	Pavillon Gallatin	More info here .
16:30-19:30	Geneva Clarion Call: Rethinking Power, Financing and Global Health Delivery	Accra Reset	Hybrid	Global Health Campus	Invite only.
17:00	CASCI - Arab Swiss Health Dialogue	Sultanate of Oman - Ministry of Health of Health , Geneva Health Forum, League of Arab States, Union of Arab Chambers & Permanent Mission of Oman	In-person	Campus Biotech	More info here .
17:30	Google for Health Reception	Google	In-person	Upon invite	Invite only.
18:00-21:00	What's Next for Philanthropy: Investing in Local Leaders for Impact	Global Surgery Foundation	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
18:00-19:30	From Promise to Progress: One Year on From the WHA Rare Diseases Resolution	Foreign Policy, in partnership with the Egyptian Ministry of Health and the Chinese National Health Commission, sponsored by AstraZeneca	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Shaping Future Health Systems for Equity and Access in Digital Era—From Vision to Practice	China Ethiopia, Oman, South Africa, Spain, Tanzania & Thailand	In-person	Room XVI Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Partnership in action for UHC- sustaining the momentum for country-led and self-reliant health financing amid fiscal constraints	Japan, UN Foundation Ghana, Nigeria & Thailand	In-person	Room XI Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .

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18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Operationalizing WHA76.2 through the Acute Care Action Network: From Global Strategy to Country Impact	Ethiopia, World Federation of Societies of Anesthesiologists, Nepal, Medical Women's International Association, International College of Surgeons, International Nursing Council, International Federation of Medical Student Associations, Georgia, Rwanda, Sudan	Hybrid	EB room, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Dengue, Zika, chikungunya, and other mosquito-borne arboviruses: Strengthening preparedness and response against escalating epidemics	Wellcome Trust Imperial College UK, National Environment Agency, Singapore Angola, Brazil, Singapore & Temasek Foundation	Hybrid	Salle B, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Women in Global Health Leadership, Equity & Multilateral Action	GWL Voices, Women in Global Health UNU-IIGH, Bayer, PMNCH, Spain, Slovenia & TBC	Hybrid	Garden Room T, WHO Headquarters	More info on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Global Pursuit of Suicide Prevention	Nepal, South Africa, Henry Ford Health, Portugal & Thailand	In-person	Salle A, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Africa's Public Health and Primary Health Care, Solidarity and Sovereignty Agenda	Zimbabwe, Eswatini, Belgium, Nepal, South Africa, African Public Health Foundation, World Federation of Public Health Association, Public Health Association of South Africa, UK-Faculty of Public Health, AU Subregions - SADC & ECSA, Health Community and College of Health Sciences and West Africa	In-person	Room VIII Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Multisectoral Action to Achieve the Global Nutrition Targets	WorldVision International, Action contre la Faim Ireland, Scaling Up, Save the Children, El Salvador, Senegal, Madagascar & Bangladesh	Hybrid	Salle C, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-20:00	From Vision to Action: Five Years of the WHO Global Diabetes Compact	The WHO Global Diabetes Compact; Co-hosted by Helmsley Charitable Trust, Resolve to Save Lives and World Diabetes Foundation	In-person	La Vie des Champs	More info here .
18:00-20:30	Financing the Future: Investing in Health Workforces for Economic Resilience and UHC	World Medical Association	In-person	Warwick Hotel	More info here .

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18:30-19:30	Implementing the 2025 Political Declaration on NCDs and Mental Health in an Era of Global Health Reform	NCD Alliance	In-person	The Warwick Hotel	More info coming soon.
19:00	The Untapped Potential: The Role of Private Capital in Ending Infectious Disease	Foreign Policy, in partnership with StopTB and RBM Partnership to End Malaria	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
Tuesday, May 19					
7:00-9:00	From Resolution to Results: Advancing Medical Imaging Capacity for Equitable Care	Business Council for International Understanding, GE HealthCare	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
8:00-9:35	Ambition meets reality: Can governments deliver on obesity policy?	Economist Impact, sponsored by Eli Lilly	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
8:00-10:00	Promoting Global Action on Childhood-Onset Heart Disease to Advance Child Health and Survival	Business Council for International Understanding, Children's HeartLink, the Ministry of Health and Social Services of the Republic of Namibia, and Siemens Healthineers	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
8:30-10:30	Cities for Health: How local leadership, data, and policy are driving the future of care	Foreign Policy, in partnership with McKinsey Health Institute, MSD, and Novartis	Hybrid	Hotel Royal	More info here .
8:30-10:30	One vision, one future: Shaping the next chapter of health financing in Africa	AUC, Ghana, Nigeria, Spain, Senegal and Ethiopia (sponsored and organized by the Global Fund, WHO, UNAIDS, AUC)	In-person	Mandarin Oriental Hotel	More info coming soon.
9:00-12:00	Global Hepatitis C Elimination: Experience and the Road Ahead	Ministry of Health and Welfare, Taiwan	In-person	Hotel President Wilson	More info here .
9:30-10:30	Readiness, reach, results: strengthening health systems in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) for NCD care	Boehringer Ingelheim	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
10:00-12:00	Building people-centred cancer systems: advancing rights, equity and support across the care pathway	UICC and the McCabe Centre for Law and Cancer		UICC office, 31-33 Avenue Giuseppe-Motta	More info here .
10:00-12:30	Second GCM Participants Gathering	WHO - Global Coordination Mechanism on NCDs	Hybrid	WHO Headquarters	More info here .
11:00-12:30	Funding Opportunity: Expanding Eye Care Through Government Health Systems	Livelihood Impact Fund	In-person	Warwick Geneva	More info here .
12:00-14:00	Are we ready for the next pandemic threat?	The Independent Panel and the Geneva Graduate Institute Global Health Centre	In-person	Geneva Graduate Institute	More info coming soon.

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12:10-13:30	Data Empowerment for Collective Good: Smart Healthcare Implementation and Public Health System Upgrading	SICA/SE-COMISCA	In-person	Hotel President Wilson	More info here .
12:30-13:30	The obesity-liver connection: shaping the future of metabolic care	Boehringer Ingelheim	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event : From Outbreak Response to System Readiness: Building the Global and Regional Capabilities to Stop Pandemic Threats in 100 Days	CEPI, Norway, Ethiopia & Indonesia	Hybrid	Salle A, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event : Healthy Longevity as a Whole-of-Society Life-Course Investment Strategy: Integrating Determinants, Prevention, Primary Care and Sustainable Financing	Qatar, Rwanda, Finland, Canada, Singapore, Japan, Korea, Netherlands & Switzerland	In-person	Salle XVI Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event : Cervical cancer elimination: Strengthening health systems and accountability toward the 2030 targets	South Africa, Nepal, Belgium & Ghana	In-person	Salle XI Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event : Sustaining the Global Health and Care Workforce Agenda in times of financial challenges?	Germany, World Medical Association, Ethiopia & Philippines	In-person	Room VIII Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event : Adequate and sustained financing for NCDs and Mental Health: approaches to closing the implementation gap	NCD Alliance, Barbados, United for Global Mental Health, Philippines & UNDP	Hybrid	Salle C, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event : The Value of Vision: The Roadmap to the Global Summit for Eye Health	IAPB, The Fred Hollows Foundation, Christian Blindness Mission, Sight Savers Malaysia & UK	In-person	Garden Room T, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event : CSO Dialogue 3: Domestic Leadership in Health Financing	Save the Children UK, Medicus Mundi, South Africa, UK & Canada	Hybrid	Salle B, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-15:00	Built Together, Fit for All: Pathways and Priorities for Global Health Architecture Reform	HEAR CSO	Hybrid	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
13:30-17:30	Strengthening UHC in a Transforming World: “AI for UHC” and “UHC at a Crossroad”	STUF united fund, Global Health Council, IMIA (International Medical Informatics Association), TruMerit (CGFNS), Generation Patient & TYPA	In-person	Hotel President Wilson	More info here .
14:00-15:00	In conversation: where lived experience meets policy	Boehringer Ingelheim, in collaboration with NCD Alliance	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
17:00-19:00	Harnessing AI and Technology to Advance Nutritional Care for Children with NCDs	International Initiative for Pediatrics and Nutrition (IIPAN) and Columbia University Irving Medical Center, Cuddles	In-person	Hotel President Wilson	More info here .

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		Foundation, Permanent Mission of Greece			
17:00-20:00	One Health for All to Improve Global Public Health	World Federation of Public Health Associations and Chinese Preventive Medicine Association	In-person	Hotel Mandarin Oriental	More info here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Radiation and Health: Shaping tomorrow's framework for protection, preparedness, and response	Iraq, Egypt, Armenia, Chile, Kuwait, Palestine, Thailand, & Tunisia (WHO Member State), International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP), International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) & International Commission on Occupational Health (ICOH)	In-person	Salle B, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Integrating health security and humanitarian health response in emergencies	United Kingdom Australia, Ethiopia, Robert Koch Caribbean Public Health Agency	Hybrid	EB room, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: The Economics of Health For All: Taking Action	Public Services International, Medicus Mundi International, UNU IIGH, World Council of Churches, Society for International Development Colombia, Oxfam & Geneva Global Health Hub	Hybrid	Salle C, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Building the Economic Case for Domestic Investment in Health R&D in Africa	Africa CDC, Team Europe AUEU Health Partnership Uganda, Ghana, Rwanda, Morocco, Egypt, Belgium, Germany & AfDB	Hybrid	Salle A, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Preventing violence against children: from global evidence to integrated health system action. With new data on child sexual exploitation and abuse	Childlight Global Child Safety Institute, Child Protection Network Philippines, Iceland, Costa Rica & International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse & Neglect (ISPCAN)	Hybrid	Garden Room T, WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-20:00	Reframing Global Health Partnerships in a Changing Reality: Necessary Policy Responses to leverage Public-Private Partnerships	Business Council for International Understanding, Pfizer	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
18:00-20:00	Preventing childhood obesity and type 2 diabetes: advancing leadership for sustainable impact	International Diabetes Federation, World Diabetes Foundation & World Obesity	Hybrid	Red Cross Museum	More info here for in-person and here for virtual participation.

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18:00-20:30	Health is Wealth: Why Investing in Health Professionals Pays Off	World Health Professions Alliance (WHPA)	In-person	Salle Mont Blanc, Warwick Hotel	More info here.
18:00-20:30	WHA High-Level Dialogue on Healthy Indoor Air	Air Club	In-person	Campus Biotech	More info here.
18:00-21:00	Documentary Screening: The Making of a Surgeon: Fighting Africa's Hidden Crisis	Operation Smile	In-person	Geneva Graduate Institute	More info here.
18:30-20:30	Oral Health at Work: A Roadmap for Prevention, Productivity and Workforce Well-being	FDI World Dental Federation	In-person	Hotel Royal	More info here.
18:00-21:00	Always innovating: How the next generation of medicines and vaccines can deliver a healthier, stronger future	IFPMA	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here.
19:00	First Anniversary of the Global Coalition: A Year of Progress	Global Coalition for Local and Regional Production, Innovation and Equitable Access; Co-host: Ministry of Health of Brazil	In-person	Upon invite	Invite only.
Wednesday, May 20					
7:30-9:00	The Clean Air Dividend: Investing in Health for All	NCD Alliance (NCDA) and Union for International Cancer Control (UICC)	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here.
7:30-9:30	Sustaining the Momentum: Cross-Border Collaboration to Achieve Malaria and Neglected Tropical Diseases Elimination	African Union Commission, WHO-hosted Global Onchocerciasis Network for Elimination, in collaboration with ALMA, DNDi, the END Fund, the Task Force for Global Health's Health Campaign Effectiveness Coalition, & the RBM Partnership to End Malaria	In-person	Restaurant Vieux Bois	Invite only.
7:30-9:30	From Chaos to Care: Rebuilding the Global Health Architecture	Center for Indonesia's Strategic Development Initiatives, Primary Healthcare Impact Lab, Universitas Harkat Negeri, Tamaris Hydro, and the Program in Global Primary Health Care based at Harvard Medical School Office for Research Initiatives & Global Programs, and at the Brigham & Women's Hospital Division of Global Health Equity	In-person	Warwick Hotel	More info here.
7:30-9:30	Building Resilient Futures: Unlocking the Power of Sport and Physical Activity for Youth Mental Health in the Commonwealth	The Commonwealth & World Federation of the Sporting Goods Industry	In-person	Commonwealth Small States Office	More info here.

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7:30-10:20	Investing for Climate and Planetary Health: Strategies & Tools	Africa CDC, Center for Global Health Diplomacy JLI & Peking University	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
8:00-9:00	The Lifesaving Potential of Death Data	Vital Strategies	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
8:00-9:30	Five years of the Global Breast Cancer Initiative: Championing progress, accelerating action	Union for International Cancer Control (UICC)	In-person	UICC office, 31-33 Avenue Giuseppe-Motta	More info here .
8:00-9:30	Kidney Health for All: Delivering Comprehensive Care from Prevention to Treatment	Devox, in partnership with International Society of Nephrology	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
8:00-10:00	Shaping the future of brain health: What it means for economic growth	Economist Impact, supported by Sanofi	In-person	Hôtel Royal	More info here .
9:00-11:30	Artificial Intelligence for Long-term Care System Strengthening: Leveraging Long-term Care Insurance for Quality and Sustainable Care	MediBridges EurAsia	In-person	Campus Biotech	More info here .
9:00-13:00	Health in a World of Crises and Impunity: The Report of the Johns Hopkins Center for Humanitarian Health-Lancet Commission on Health, Conflict, and Forced Displacement	Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies, Faculty of Medicine, UNIGE	Hybrid	Campus Biotech	More info here .
11:00-11:30	Beyond the Medicine: Building Family-Centered Cancer Care	Devox, in partnership with Amgen	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
12:00-14:00	Country-Led, Globally Supported: The ALIGN-T1D Model	ALIGN-T1D	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
12:30-14:30	From Resolution to Implementation: Shaping the Future of Global Stroke Care	Business Council for International Understanding, Global Stroke Action Coalition and the Ministry of Health and Population of the Arab Republic of Egypt	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: WHA Global Parliamentary Forum	IPU & WHO	In-person	Upon invite	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Exploring integrated and equitable approaches to obesity prevention and management within health systems	Dominican Republic, Cochrane Collaboration, Asociación Latinoamericana de Diabetes, El Salvador, Panama, World Diabetes Foundation, Mexico, World Obesity Federation & Chile	In-person	Salle VIII Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: From Global Commitments to Integrated Lung Health Action: Advancing Early Diagnosis of Lung Cancer and Access to Inhaled Medicines for COPD and Asthma	Ministry of Health of Malaysia, Republic of Kenya, Forum of International Respiratory Societies, International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung	In-person	WHO HQ	More on WHA79 official side events here .

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		Disease, Union for International Cancer Control			
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Accelerating Trusted Digital Health Transformation: Strengthening Data Governance, Interoperability, and Responsible AI for Universal Health Coverage	Oman, China, Egypt, Kuwait, Palestine, Tunisia, Qatar Transform Health & World Medical Association	In-person	Salle B WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Healthcare financing: Bridging Traditional and Innovative financing for UHC	Jordan, Türkiye, Burkina Faso, OIC & Syrian Arab Republic	In-person	Room XVI Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights: Preserving Essential Services Amid Funding Pressures	Guyana, Malawi, Barbados & Germany	In-person	Salle XI Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:30-15:00	Unlocking Women's Health and Economic Potential	Foreign Policy, in partnership with Bayer	In-person	Restaurant Vieux Bois	More info here .
13:30-15:45	Health Sovereignty & Shifting Power	Devex	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
14:00-15:30	What does Global Health Architecture Reform Have to Do With Universal Health Care?	HEAR CSO	Hybrid	Auditorium de la Pastorale	More info here .
14:00-18:00	Smart Healthcare and Health System Innovation Artificial Intelligence Enabling People-Centred and Integrated Digital Health	MediBridges EurAsia	In-person	Campus Biotech	More info here .
14:30-16:30	Mental Health in Humanitarian Programs	ALIMA & Terre des hommes	In-person	Campus Biotech	More info here .
15:45-17:30	The New Global Health Financing Playbook	Devex	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
17:00-21:00	From Crisis to Resilience: Innovating for Health	World Health Summit	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info coming soon.
17:15-18:45	Delivering the Road Map for Chronic Respiratory Disease Care	Devex, in partnership with Sanofi and Regeneration	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
18:00-19:00	The Future of Public Health, Perspectives from Around the World	Boston University School of Public Health	Hybrid	Hotel President Wilson	More info here .
18:00-19:30	Rethinking Global Health in a Changing World	Washington University	Hybrid	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
18:00-20:00	Climate Change and Respiratory Health	Geneva Health Forum, Health Diplomacy Alliance & OM Pharma	In-person	Campus Biotech	More info here .
18:00-21:00	Rare Diseases: A Catalyst for Global Health Transformation	Rare Diseases International	In-person	Geneva Graduate Institute	More info here .
18:30-20:00	WHA79 Official Side Event: Advancing Refugee and Migrant Health in countries: Shared experiences, successes, challenges, and the path forward	Spain Colombia, Uganda & Egypt	Hybrid	Salle B WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:30-20:00	WHA79 Official Side Event: Honoring the Legacy of Dr LEE Jong-wook: 20 Years Advancing Global Health Equity	Republic of Korea, KOFIH China Sri Lanka, Lao PDR, Ethiopia, Tanzania, WHO	Hybrid	EB Room WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .

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18:30-20:00	WHA79 Official Side Event: Call to Action for Advancing Biomanufacturing Self Reliance: From Policy to Practice in Local Manufacturing	Philippines, IVI Kenya, Brazil, Republic of Korea	In-person	Salle XI Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:30-20:00	WHA79 Official Side Event: Gestational Diabetes and beyond: Strengthening Primary Care for Integrated Reno Metabolic Health Across the Life Course	Kenya, Guatemala Tanzania, UNFPA, International Diabetes Federation, International Society of Nephrology (ISN), World Obesity Federation (WOF) World Diabetes Foundation (WDF), Novo Nordisk Foundation & Maternity Foundation	In-person	Room VIII Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:30-20:00	WHA79 Official Side Event: Elevating Hepatitis Elimination on the Global Political Agenda: From World Health Assembly to UN General Assembly	Cameroon Brazil, Uganda, Pakistan, Malaysia & The Coalition for Global Hepatitis Elimination African Union Commission	Hybrid	Garden Room T WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:30-20:00	WHA79 Official Side Event: Health financing	EMRO Regional Roundtable, with Future Health - A Global Initiative by Abu Dhabi	Hybrid	Upon invitation	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:30-20:00	WHA79 Official Side Event: Artificial Intelligence in Health: Laws, Ethical Oversight, Research, and Equity	India, Nepal, Switzerland & Sri Lanka	In-person	Room XVI, Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:30-20:00	WHA79 Official Side Event: Strengthening Equitable Access to Medical Imaging through Teleradiology and Digital Health	Egypt, DITTA, Chile, Georgia, Palestine, Tunisia & GMTA	In-person	Salle C WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
19:00-21:00	WHA79 Official Side Event: Advancing Maternal Health Through AI-Enabled Medical Devices and Software	Business Council for International Understanding (BCIU) & Philips	In-person	Upon invite	Invite only.
Thursday, May 21					
All day	Health Diplomacy House	Health Diplomacy Alliance	In-person	Rothschild Buildings	More info here .
All day	Geneva Digital Health Day	Geneva Digital Health Hub	Hybrid	Campus Biotech	More info here .
8:00-9:30	The Business Case for Health: Why Global Health Investment Should be a Life Sciences Imperative	Devox, in partnership with Bristol Myers Squibb (BMS) and CARE	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
8:30-10:30	Equity As Leverage in the Pathogen Access Benefit Sharing System	Geneva Health Files	In-person	Spaces Nations	More info here .
8:30-19:00	Geneva Digital Health Day	Geneva Digital Health Hub	Hybrid	Campus Biotech	More info here .

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9:00-10:30	From Vision to Action: A Holistic Approach to Metabolic Health and NCD Prevention and Care	European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL) Healthy Livers Healthy Lives	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
9:15-11:00	Rethinking Elimination: Integration and Innovation for Sustainable Diseases Elimination	Devex, in partnership with GLIDE	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
11:15-13:30	Innovation Under Constraint	Devex	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
12:00-14:00	Cardiovascular-Kidney-Metabolic Policy Forum: Addressing the Disproportionate Impact of CKM Conditions on Women's Wellness	Global Alliance for Patient Access, Mended Hearts Europe, Global Patient Alliance for Kidney Health, Partnership to Advance Cardiovascular Health, International Atherosclerosis Society, Partnership for Women's Wellness	In-person	Intercontinental Hotel	More info here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Advancing Human Rights and Public Health through the ICJ Advisory Opinion on Climate and Health	UNU and Medicus Mundi International Vanuatu, Barbados, Philippines, TimorLeste, Mozambique & Fiji	In-person	Room XI, Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Large-Scale Food Fortification and Multiple Micronutrient Supplementation: Progress and Promise to Address Malnutrition	Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition and Helen Keller Intl UNICEF, World Food Programme, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Kenya & Sierra Leone	In-person	Room XVI Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Beyond Survival: Integrating Rehabilitation for Health, Longevity, and Equity	Handicap International Federation Benin, Japan, Cameroon, Scotland	In-person	Salle D WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Global burden of autoimmune disease: policy measures for UHC	Russian Federation China, Brazil, Egypt, Türkiye & South Africa	Hybrid	Salle A WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: National integration of HIV services: sustaining quality, equity and community leadership in an era of funding transition	International Aids Society Coalition Plus, NCD Alliance, GNP+ and IPPF	Hybrid	Salle B WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Delivering maternal and newborn services for hard-to reach communities, in low resource, complex settings: Lessons from South Sudan and Kenya	South Sudan, Kenya UNFPA & Doctors with Africa	In-person	Salle C WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Leading the Charge Toward Guinea-worm Eradication: Health Ministers Take Stock of Achievements in 2025 and the Vision for 2026 and Beyond	Carter Center, Chad, Angola, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Ethiopia, Mali, South, Sudan & Sudan	In-person	Room V, Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .

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13:30-15:30	The Changing Global Health Architecture	Devex	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
15:30-17:30	Technology, AI & the Future of Delivery	Devex	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event : Bridging Health and Peace: Accelerating the Global Health and Peace Initiative (GHPI) in Turbulent Times	World Federation of Public Health Associations and WONCA, Brazil, Spain & Slovenia	Hybrid	EB room WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event : From Resolution to Action: Implementing the WHA Resolution on Skin Diseases	Côte d'Ivoire International League of Dermatological Societies (ILDS), Anesvad Foundation, International Federation of Antileprosy Associations & Togo GlobalSkin	Hybrid	Salle B WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event : NextGen x NowGen: Futureproofing Health in the Climate Era	Slovenia, WHO Youth Council, IFMSA, Gain, International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation & Bertelsmann Stiftung	Hybrid	Salle A WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event : Feeding the world while curbing antimicrobial resistance - challenges and opportunities for collaborative One Health action	Four Paws, Ontario Veterinary College, AMR Partnership Platform, Brazil, Nigeria & Sweden	In-person	Salle C WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event : Protecting 26 Million Women and 20 Million Children from Sepsis: A Global Health Imperative	Medical Women's International Association, Women in Global Health, World Federation of Societies of Anesthesiologists, International Federation of Medical Students Associations, Georgia & Egypt	In-person	Salle XI - Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
18:00-20:00	Together for Better Liver Health - The Hidden NCDs: SLD as the next Global Public Health Priority	Global Liver Institute and Egyptian Ministry of Health and Population	In-person	Pavillion Gallatin	More info here .
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13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event : Securing the Future: Creating a Sustainable and Equitable Ecosystem for Antimicrobial Innovation	International Pharmaceutical Students Federation Alliance for Health Promotion, Japan Japan Institute for Health Security Howard Dalton Centre, University of Warwick	In-person	Salle A WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event : Immunizing Across the Life-Course: Supporting Healthy Ageing, NCD Management, and System Resilience	International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations (IFPMA), the International Federation on	In-person	Salle B WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .

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		Ageing (IFA), & the Global Allergy & Airways Patient Platform (GAAPP)			
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Delivering on Brain Health: Implementing IGAP and the Political Declaration on NCDs	Multiple Sclerosis International Federation, International Bureau of Epilepsy & Alzheimer's Disease International Italy	In-person	Salle C WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: The Lancet MedZero: Carbon Analytics for Health Care - From Measurement to Implementation at Scale	Lancet, Philippines, University of Singapore, Thailand, UK & MSF	In-person	Room V, Palais des Nations	More on WHA79 official side events here .
13:00-14:20	WHA79 Official Side Event: Contaminated Commercial Formula - the need for a global response to protect child health	Ibfan, ILCA, Panama Burundi, Ecuador, Van Tulleken Foundation, Latin American and Caribbean Nutrition & Health Community of Practice	Hybrid	Garden Room T WHO Headquarters	More on WHA79 official side events here .
17:30-19:30	WHA79 Official Side Event: Future-focused health systems: country pathways to 2050	Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research & WHO	In-person	Upon invite	More info here .