Global Framework for Action on WASH and electricity in health care facilities:

Virtual Roundtable Consultation
Today’s agenda

• Welcome and moderation (Bruce Gordon) (2 min)
• Setting the scene - joined up WASH and health actions (Ann Thomas) (5 min)
• Overview of Framework and Implementation (Maggie Montgomery) (10 min)
• Facilitated discussion (Bruce Gordon) (30 min)
• Closing remarks (Bruce Gordon) (5 min)
A new phase needs a **new plan**

- May 2023: last report back to WHA on the 2019 Resolution
- June 2023: Global progress report and Global Summit outlines needed actions
- Q4 2023: new UN General Assembly Resolution - continued and expanded UN and Member State engagement and accountability
- A new **Global Framework for Action** for the next phase to creatively and strategically plan and execute amidst growing threats of climate change, conflict and outbreaks
- The **revolution** is not over…
The Global Framework for Action builds upon the three main recommendations in the Global progress report.

1. Integrate WASH, waste and electricity services into health planning, programming, financing and monitoring at all levels.

Include in global health strategy monitoring and procurement; Joint sector review and planning.

2. Regularly monitor and review progress and strengthen accountability.

UN General Assembly Resolution; Monitoring and review within health systems monitoring.

3. Develop and empower the health workforce to deliver and maintain WASH, waste and electricity services, and practice good hygiene.

Develop cadre of WASH, waste and electricity workforce; Clear job descriptions, responsibility and compensation.

Download the report: [https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789240075085](https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789240075085)
Globally, we still have A LOT to do to address gaps

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<td><strong>HAND HYGIENE</strong></td>
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<td>have hand hygiene at points of care</td>
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<td><strong>HEALTH CARE WASTE</strong></td>
<td>30%</td>
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<td>have basic services</td>
<td>have basic services (both segregation and treatment of waste)</td>
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<td>No global estimate (data from 4 countries)</td>
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<td><strong>ELECTRICITY</strong></td>
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1 billion people served by health care facilities with unreliable or no electricity supply.
Global Summit on WASH and electricity in health care facilities (June 2023) informed Framework

- 35 countries; 125 participants, including Ukraine
- **3 main outcomes**: Draft global framework, focused technical areas of effort, renewed WASH/Health commitments
- **Country highlights included**:
  - National assessments important for engaging leaders and igniting action
  - Emergencies provide an opportunity to fix “old problems”, strengthen systems
  - Several health platforms exist for integration: maternal/child health, PHC, AMR, IPC
  - Climate smart health care facility interventions are “no regrets” investments

Aims

- Accelerate implementation of universal WASH, waste and electricity services in health care facilities
- Facilitate a universal and collaborative platform for monitoring, accountability, coordination and increased understanding of the situation, challenges, and effective strategies
- Increase political commitment and leadership engagement through policy directives, advocacy integration with key health and climate initiatives
- Accelerate effective implementation through support for costed, national plans, infrastructure improvements and by promoting health workforce development
- Increase effectiveness and sustainability of country and partner investments.
Key focus areas

• **Costed, resourced national plans**: Global partners to support development, resourcing and implementation of realistic, costed national roadmaps in line with broader health financing and programming efforts

• **Integration**: Integrate WASH, waste and electricity services into health planning, programming, financing and monitoring at all levels

• **Measurement & accountability**: Regularly monitor, document and review progress in meeting targets at the local, national, regional and global level; where targets not met, increase political and technical action to accelerate efforts

• **Health workforce**: Develop and empower sufficient and auxiliary health workforce to deliver and maintain WASH, waste and electricity services, and practise good hygiene

• **Climate resilient and low-carbon health care facilities**: Strengthen policies, standards and interventions aligned with climate resilient, low-carbon and sustainable health care facilities and health systems
# National action targets

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<th>2022</th>
<th>Target 2026</th>
<th>Target 2030</th>
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<td>1.1 Establish baseline</td>
<td>76%</td>
<td>92%</td>
<td>-All countries have set baselines using harmonised global indicators/</td>
<td>-All countries regularly update status of baseline (every 5 years).</td>
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<td>1.2 Update national WASH and waste standards</td>
<td>52%</td>
<td>53%(^16)</td>
<td>-All countries have standards which reflect latest evidence and address climate resilience(^{17}), low-carbon and sustainable services/health care facilities.</td>
<td>-Updated standards are actively disseminated, implemented, regulated and monitored.</td>
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<td>1.3 Develop and implement costed roadmap</td>
<td>N/D</td>
<td>63%</td>
<td>-All countries have developed and are working to resource and implement costed roadmaps with targets.</td>
<td>-All countries are implementing costed roadmaps with regular, dedicated resourcing.</td>
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<td>1.4 Monitor WASH, waste and electricity in health care systems</td>
<td>10%</td>
<td>14%(^18)</td>
<td>-Half of countries have WASH, waste, and electricity indicators in health monitoring information systems (HMIS).</td>
<td>-All countries regularly review and disseminate and use WASH, waste and electricity data in HMIS to inform policy and budgeting decisions.</td>
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<td>1.5 Secure sufficient financing of services</td>
<td>11%</td>
<td>12%</td>
<td>-Health care facilities in one third of countries have included regular and sufficient funding for WASH, waste, and electricity; budget accountability supported through regular monitoring and reporting.</td>
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# Service levels, climate and health targets

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<th>2. Service Levels</th>
<th>2.1 Increase services in middle income (MIC) and high-income countries (HIC) globally</th>
<th>Water: 76% Sanitation: ND Waste: ND Electricity: ND</th>
<th>Water: 78% Sanitation: ND Hand Hygiene: 51% Waste: ND Electricity: 1 billion people served by health-care facilities with unreliable or no electricity</th>
<th>- All HIC and MIC have universal basic services and national standards and monitoring indicators exist for higher levels of service. - All HIC and MIC have universal basic and higher levels of service. All health-care facilities have access to reliable electricity.</th>
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<td>2.2 Increase services in least developed countries (LDCs)</td>
<td>Water: 50% Sanitation: 37% Hand Hygiene: ND Waste: 30% Electricity: ND</td>
<td>Water: 53% Sanitation: 21% Hand Hygiene: 32% Waste: 34% Electricity: ND</td>
<td>- 60% of health care facilities have basic services. - In LDCs, 100% of facilities have basic WASH services and 50% have higher levels of service. - All health care facilities have access to reliable electricity.</td>
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<td>3. Climate resilience and sustainability</td>
<td>3.1 Improve climate resilience and sustainability of services</td>
<td>ND</td>
<td>83% countries have plans that address climate resilience of WASH, waste and electricity technologies and systems in health care facilities.</td>
<td>-100% of countries have plans that address climate resilience of WASH technologies and systems in health care facilities. -100% of countries have plans that address climate resilience of WASH, waste and electricity technologies and systems in health care facilities, and these plans are resourced and implemented.</td>
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<td>4. Health engagement</td>
<td>4.1 Integrate into health policies, programming, and monitoring</td>
<td>-WASH, waste and electricity indicators included in Quality of Care Standards for Mothers, Newborns and Children;</td>
<td>-WASH, waste and electricity indicators and monitoring included in PHC framework, IPC Global Strategy, Quality of Care Strategies, health facility and workforce strategies</td>
<td>-WASH, waste and electricity indicators and data included in monitoring of global health plans, including those on Patient Safety, Infection Prevention and Control, Pandemic Preparedness and Child/Maternal Health. -50% of countries have WASH, waste and electricity targets for health care facilities, which are integrated into national health policies and monitoring. -All major health meetings will consider planning for and/or financing of WASH, waste and electricity services. - All countries regularly monitor WASH, waste and electricity services, and report on and budget for services within national health policies that aim to achieve UHC through a PHC-oriented approach.</td>
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Monitoring mechanisms

- WASH and waste service levels
  - WHO/UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme 2024
- National actions (Practical Steps)
  - Country tracker 2025
- Financing
  - GLAAS 2025

Indicators also embedded in:
- Global Action Plan on Infection Prevention and Control
- Primary Health Care Monitoring Framework
Linkages to new UN General Assembly Resolution

• “Sustainable, safe and universal water, sanitation, hygiene waste and electricity services in health care facilities”

• Draws upon commitments made in declaration on human rights, financing for development, UHC, AMR, pandemic preparedness

• Encourages Member States to update standards, engage in cross sectoral efforts (e.g. joint sector reviews), WASH in health monitoring, ensure adequate budgets and support the health workforce

• Commits WHO/UNICEF to regular (every 2 years) reporting to UN General Assembly

• Currently under consultation; likely adoption Nov/Dec 2023
Building on the past, looking ahead

**Aim:** Every person has quality, essential health care

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Global baseline and guidance form basis for strategic action, 72nd World Health Assembly Resolution

Expanded WASH FIT V 2.0 package with focus on climate and equity

Global update on WASH services in HCF (SDG 6)

Global WASH in HCF Summit; Progress report launch

UNGA Resolution and Global Framework revised

Taskforce 2.0; Comm of Practice

Framework for Action (2024-2030); WASH FIT landscape report published

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Ongoing country implementation (75+) of standards, regular monitoring, WASH FIT, roadmaps

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April, May 2019

April 2022

August 2022

June 2023

Q4 2023

Q1 2024

Q2 2024

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Global Efforts co-led by WHO and UNICEF

Contributions from 50+ Partners (e.g. World Bank, UNDP, Global Fund, Gavi, WaterAid, World Vision, Save the Children, Helvetas)

Strategic Oversight from Global Taskforce (countries+ UN/NGOs + academia + donors- e.g. FCDO, USAID, DFAT, USAID)
Suggested improvements from reviewers

• Feedback from 20+ individuals/organizations
• Need better framing of waste (framework now refers to WASH, waste and electricity)
• Limited attention to electricity throughout (limited data, tools, dedicated national actions)
• Missing examples of any success stories – has no progress happened?
• Include a “demand-side” component to monitoring and accountability.
• How to capture the issue of government leadership?
• Integration with health: monitoring is well captured in indicators, but policy and programming is lacking
• Request for guidance for WHO/UNICEF COs to operationalize framework (and avoid duplication) at country level
Proposed objectives of Taskforce 2.0

• Provide external strategic review of global and national activities, including review of progress against targets in the Global Framework for Action and UN General Assembly Resolution

• Share and synthesize among members new innovative and effective strategies for increasing and sustaining services

• Targeted advocacy to drive increased financing and implementation of the Global Framework for Action
# Draft global workplan and options for Taskforce 2.0 engagement

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<td><strong>Global coordination and leadership</strong></td>
<td>1. Integrate at all levels</td>
<td>-Develop and disseminate Global Plan of Action</td>
<td>-Final Global Plan of Action (2024-2030)</td>
<td>-WG to conduct consultations and support Global Plan update and dissemination -WG on financing and securing additional public-private resources</td>
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| Monitoring                          | 2. Regularly monitor and review progress | -JMP monitoring  
-Country tracker update and monitoring                                 | -JMP report (2024)  
-GLOBAL progress report (+ tracker data) (2025)                      | -Support interpretation and dissemination                              |
| **Country support and capacity building** | 3. Empower health workforce          | -Review of WASH FIT use, implementation and impact  
-Update of WASH FIT training package  
-Support for costed roadmaps and implementation                          | -Global report on use of WASH FIT and recommendations for scale-up and embedding and health programmes | -Engage programmes in trainings/use of tools/addressing bottlenecks  
-Support costing/financing efforts                                           |
| **Global and regional events**      | 1. Integrate at all levels       | -UHC or PHC HL Event  
-COP 29 (2024)                                                            |                                                                       | -Organize sessions; conduct outreach                                     |
Discussion

• **Content and measurement**
  - What is missing or needs to be revised?
  - How can progress in implementing be best shared and articulated?

• **Implementation**
  - What will you/your organization do to support implementation?
  - What additional technical and financial support is needed?