The World Hepatitis Summit is a joint initiative between the WHO and the World Hepatitis Alliance, and is hosted, co-sponsored and organised in collaboration with the Brazilian Government.

The theme of the World Hepatitis Summit 2017 is *Implementing the Global Health Sector Strategy on viral hepatitis (GHSS): towards the elimination of hepatitis as a public health threat*.

The event will bring together Ministers of Health, policymakers, representatives from international implementers and donor agencies, health professionals, patient organizations and civil society.

We have the commitment of 194 countries to achieve elimination of viral hepatitis as a public health threat by 2030. Let us all come together at the Summit and step up the response to turn the elimination goal into a reality.”

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