WHO violence prevention activities update 2015-2016

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Main achievements 2015-2016

• World Health Assembly resolution endorsing global plan of action
• INSPIRE technical package for ending violence against children
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
Process for developing plan: Summary

KEY STAKEHOLDERS CONSULTATIONS
- Member States and UN agencies
- Parliamentarians, NGOs, academics, collaborating centres

DRAFT 2 to be submitted to WHO Governing bodies (30.11)

Meeting with Member States 2-4 Nov

Subject to feedback from EB137: Additional process steps

May 2016 World Health Assembly

Regional consultations

136th WHO Executive Board 26.01-05.02

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Regional Consultations

1st Online Consultation

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Regional Committees

2nd Online Consultation

DRAFT 1

Jan 2016 EB137 to consider the Draft 2 of the action plan

ADOPTION
January 2016 WHO Executive Board Decision

Over 40 countries, including representatives from all WHO regions, spoke in support of the plan, and a WHO Executive Board decision was reached recommending that the 69th World Health Assembly in May 2016 adopt the plan, and that Member States be urged to implement the proposed action, along with the WHO Secretariat.
WHO Member States adopted a resolution (WHA 67.15) endorsing the global plan of action, urging Member States to implement it, and requesting WHO to carry out activities in support of it.
Overview of Plan

• **Section 1 – Introduction:**
  - Scope, overview of global situation and process & road map of the plan
  - **Section 2. Vision, goal, objectives, strategic directions, and guiding principles**, time frame and roles of MS, national and international partners and WHO secretariat

• **Section 3. Actions for Member States, national and international partners, and the WHO Secretariat**
  - A. Violence against women and girls
  - B. Violence against children
  - C. All forms of interpersonal violence

• **Section 4: Accountability and monitoring framework:**
  - Mechanisms for and reporting framework and indicators
## Section 3: Actions for Member States, national & international partners, & WHO

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INSPIRE
Seven Strategies for Ending Violence Against Children
INSPIRE core agencies
INSPIRE: seven strategies for ending violence against children

• Implementation and enforcement of laws
• Norms and values
• Safe environments
• Parental and caregiver support
• Income and economic strengthening
• Response services
• Education and life skills
INSPIRE vision

Governments, with the strong participation of civil society and communities, routinely implement and monitor evidence-based interventions to prevent and respond to violence against children and help them reach their full potential.
INSPIRE components

• **Seven strategies** that provide an overarching approach for ending violence against children
  – *specific interventions* including programmes, practices and policies to implement the strategies
  – *evidence* supporting these strategies and interventions
  – Links to related SDG targets

• **Two crosscutting components**
  – Multisectoral actions
  – Monitoring and evaluation

• **Implementation considerations**
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| Implementation and enforcement of laws | - Laws banning violent punishment of children by parents, teachers or other caregivers  
  - Laws criminalizing sexual abuse and exploitation of children  
  - Laws that prevent alcohol misuse  
  - Laws limiting youth access to firearms and other weapons | Justice          | Multisectoral actions and coordination |
| Norms and values                 | - Changing adherence to restrictive and harmful gender and social norms  
  - Community mobilization programmes  
  - Bystander interventions | Health, Education, Social Welfare |                        |
| Safe environments                | - Reducing violence by addressing “hotspots”  
  - Interrupting the spread of violence  
  - Improving the built environment | Interior, Planning  |                        |
| Parent and caregiver support     | - Delivered through home visits  
  - Delivered in groups in community settings  
  - Delivered through comprehensive programmes | Social Welfare, Health |                        |
| Income and economic strengthening| - Cash transfers  
  - Group saving and loans combined with gender equity training  
  - Microfinance combined with gender norm training | Finance, Labour |                        |
| Response and support services    | - Counselling and therapeutic approaches  
  - Screening combined with interventions  
  - Treatment programmes for juvenile offenders in the criminal justice system  
  - Foster care interventions involving social welfare services | Health, Justice, Social Welfare |                        |
| Education and life skills        | - Increase enrolment in pre-school, primary and secondary schools  
  - Establish a safe and enabling school environment  
  - Improve children’s knowledge about sexual abuse and how to protect themselves against it  
  - Life and social skills training  
  - Adolescent intimate partner violence prevention programmes | Education | Monitoring and evaluation |
INSPIRE next steps

- Create implementation guidance materials
  - For each strategy and for INSPIRE as a whole
  - Manuals and training materials
- Develop INSPIRE uptake and impact indicators
  - Based wherever possible on existing surveys
- Establish INSPIRE implementation working group
  - Manage technical support demand and supply
- Pilot INSPIRE in at least one country
  - Collaborative project with CDC
- Promote INSPIRE uptake and implementation
  - Global Partnership pathfinding countries
  - All other countries
Thank you

For more information, including downloads of INSPIRE and the WHO Global plan of action please visit:


INSPIRE evidence: implementation and enforcement of laws

Reduction in homicide rate across 5 South African cities from 2001-2005 following Firearm Control Act

![Graph showing reduction in homicide rate](image)

- Firearm homicide
- Non-firearm homicide

**4500 lives saved over 5 years, many of them adolescents**

INSPIRE evidence: norms and values

Reduction in children witnessing intimate partner violence due to SASA! community mobilization programme

-64%

INSPIRE evidence: safe environments

Reduction in violence-related injuries following implementation of Cardiff approach to hotspot intervention

- Hospital admissions: -42%
- Police-recorded woundings: -32%

INSPIRE evidence: parental and caregiver support

Reduction in child maltreatment due to Nurse-Family Partnership programme at 15-year follow up

INSPIRE evidence: income and economic strengthening

Reduction in intimate partner violence among 430 women receiving the Intervention with Microfinance and Gender Equity (IMAGE) programme

Percentage decrease in intimate partner violence

INSPIRE: response services

Reductions in trauma symptoms and functional impairment across 11 trauma-informed cognitive behavioural therapy trials

Individual therapy: -37%
Group therapy: -56%

INSPIRE evidence: education and life skills

Reductions in aggressive and disruptive behaviour in school settings across 249 life skills and socio-emotional training programmes

-25% for programmes for all students
-33% for programmes for selected students