**WG 1 GC Topic 1**

**BEST PRACTICES IN INCREASING THE CAPACITY OF HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS IN PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT IN THE FACE OF A HEALTH CRISIS**

Resolution presented by the Delegations of Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, and Colombia.

**THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,**

**REAFFIRMING** its commitment to the goals and objectives of the UN General Assembly resolution 72/139 and 73/131 on universal health care coverage and Sustainable Development Goal 3 which speaks to good health and well-being as a priority for mankind.

**OBSERVING** that the capacities of the public health care systems in many of the member states have been inundated with in the last three years, mainly as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**REAFFIRMING** the objectives of the resolution (No. 7-5-M/172) under the General Assembly of the Organization of American States, that it is necessary to achieve greater political agreement in the region, for the support of structural and transformative actions to build resilient societies and health systems, ensuring their preparation to face current and future threats, while promoting universal access to health and universal coverage of health for its population.

**REALIZING** that a comprehensive audit, which establishes strengths, weaknesses, and other factors along with detailed analyses of national performances and responses to the rapid rise in Covid-19 and other endemic and epidemic-level diseases should be considered when to determine the most preeminent ways of increasing and managing health emergencies.

**TAKING INTO ACCOUNT** that each member state may have differing approaches to containing pandemics, collaborating can help both the individual country and their neighboring countries as pandemics often evolve into global health crises.

**DECIDES** to continue to explore avenues for collaboration indefinitely in public health areas for the advancement and empowerment of all parties involved.

**RESOLVES**:

1. To increase collaboration among member states in the face of health crises by;

1. Developing vaccines together through identifying the related economies of scale of each nation.
2. Implementing programs and policies to allow for the free movement of workers, especially health and agriculture-related and any other suitable management, technical, skilled, nonskilled labor, and the removal of tariffs on essential goods among the member states.

i. Creating specialized work permits through coordination with the various Ministries of Health, Ministries of Labour, and any other connected ministries.

ii. Drafting the relevant legislation for the free trade agreement.

1. Negotiating as a collective or multilaterally to procure and/ or share medical technology, resources, therapeutics, and supplies.

2. To mobilize financial and technical assistance to member states from the Organization and its partners to implement and strengthen (where already in existence) high-quality universal healthcare coverage thereby improving access to healthcare and addressing underlying structural inequalities for rural, remote, vulnerable and poor communities by 2030 and protecting people from health threats, exorbitant health spending, and unexpected surges in demand for care.

3. To leverage data and digital systems with the appropriate legal framework in an effort to address the lack of real-time data, interoperable clinical record data, of data linkage capability instructing all member states to create task forces to assess and document post-COVID-19 healthcare systems status, availability of resources, risks, infrastructural inadequacies and population health with the goal of allocating limited health care resources towards services that produce better outcomes, at lower costs, and that align with patient values and preferences.

4. To continuously improve surveillance, communication, workforce, and the management of medical supplies in striving to improve health care facilities to ensure optimum functionality that is resilient.

5. To appeal to the Organization of American States for funding various ventures that will encourage and endorse advocacy and the generation of ideas. Notwithstanding the implementation of programs, arrange professional practical and emotional intelligence training. Funds will also go toward the development and enforcement of policies and procedures.

6. To urge member states to function interdependently via the establishment of a generalized budget under the Organization of American States (OAS), which functions solely to mitigate and manage the need for economic contributions towards the healthcare sector during a health crisis by;

1. Ensuring that an annual contribution is given, by each member state, in order to facilitate collective needs.
2. This fund would be managed directly by the Secretary-General, to be granted where it is deemed necessary.
3. This generalized budget would be established to serve as a means to remove the pressures placed on the developing economies of the OAS member states.

7. To carry out a comprehensive analysis audit of the healthcare systems to determine;

1. Strengths.
2. Weaknesses.
3. Gaps in healthcare legislation.
4. Opportunities for improved or where necessary the establishment of health insurance overage.
5. Opportunities for improvement within the administration and operations of health care systems.