

# ***Global Action Plan on Disaster Risk Management for HEALTH***

***Featured Event: Protecting Health from Disasters  
Thematic Platform for Health  
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# A healthy community is a disaster resilient community



*Healthy people are more resilient*

*Health workers are local DRM partners*

*Health systems deliver preventive and responsive services to people at risk*



# Disaster resilient city is a healthy city

*Land-use planning avoids risk*

*Safe infrastructure = safe hospitals*

*Early warning systems save lives*

*Logistics supports health services*

*Multi-sectoral planning builds teams*

*DRM protects health investment*



# What is the thematic platform for health?

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*A forum for advocacy, sharing information and catalysing action*

*- it is multi-disciplinary, multi-sectoral, all-hazard, risk management-based*

*Aimed at: better health outcomes for people at risk – fewer deaths, injuries, disability*

*Open eligibility criteria to join!*

*- Do you contribute to health?*



Army & Airforce

Health Labs

Transp

Foreign Aff

Hospitals

Police & Fire

Disaster Mgt Orgs

eteorology

Min Health

Educ

Environment

Local Government

Infra-structure

RC/RC

Soc Welfare

**Health Risk/  
Disaster Risk**

Individuals

Geosciences

Health workers

Finance

Labour

Civil society

Water & Sanitation

Em Medical Svcs

Aviation

NGOs

Health Surveillance

Universities

Media

...and many more

Mental Health



World Health Organization

# Outputs - Draft Plan of Action

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- *a set of advocacy materials/fact sheets*
- *disaster risk management conceptual framework and associated guidance*
- *your invitation to join the thematic platform/advisory group*
- *action plan agreed*
- *Information-sharing mechanisms/forum*



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- *strengthening health sector participation in*
  - *Global/Regional Platforms and ISDR bodies*
  - *national platforms/DRR mechanisms*
- *coordinated health inputs to ISDR Reports*
- *advocacy to strengthen investment*
  - *research and workshops on cost-benefit analysis of disaster risk management for health*



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## *Promote/support projects on disaster risk management for HEALTH*

- *strengthening community action/ community-based health workforce*
- *safer hospitals: prepared for emergencies*
- *conceptual framework on health disaster risk management*
- *urban health emergency risk management*
- *climate change adaptation for health*
- *evidence- based research and knowledge*



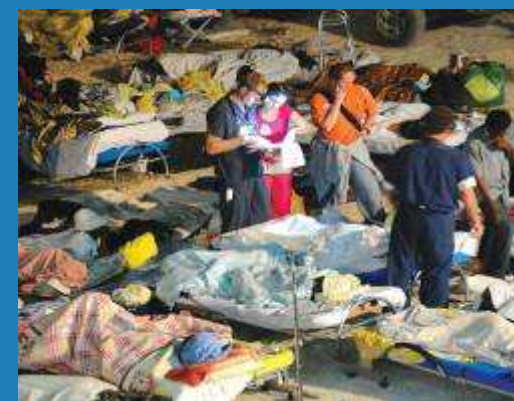
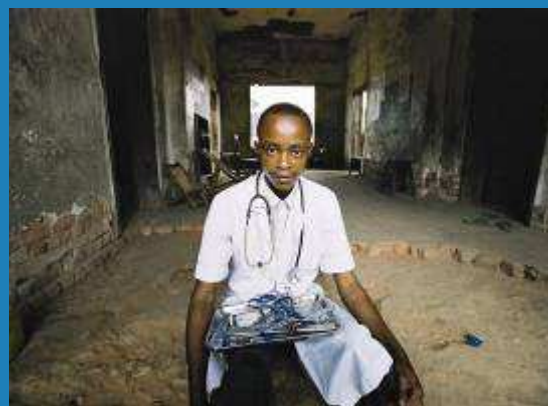
# Contact information

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**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE  
HEALTH PLATFORM**

**Disaster risk management for health is us all!**

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# Safe Hospitals Programme

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- Provide technical support and advocacy to develop and implement national Safer Hospitals programmes
- Provide technical materials which promote best practice to national authorities, health workers and other professional groups-
  - *4 guidelines/tools including field testing*
  - *6 case studies/research projects*

## Development and delivery of training programmes

- *curriculum and learning package development, design, testing and publication*
- *training courses in 6 WHO regions*

# Safer Hospitals programme

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## Conduct advocacy and raise awareness for Safer Hospitals: Prepared for Emergencies-

- *Maintain and upgrade website and conduct advocacy activities*
- *Organisation of forum on safe hospitals w*
- *Communications materials and articles for publication*

## Coordination of Safer Hospitals Programme

- *Global advisory committee (2 meetings per year plus virtual meetings)*
- *Regional taskforces*

## Staff for programme coordination