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Milestones, Perspectives

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Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization (SAGE) – October 2026

5 – 8 October 2026

Meeting materials

- Draft agenda
- Declaration of Interest
- SAGE Yellow Book

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UN High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response (PPPR)

Editor's Note:

The UN High Level Meeting yesterday featured a day-long plenary, two multi-stakeholder panels, a WHO press conference, and side events – together running over 12 hours. Beyond the WHO media release below, we have not identified as yet any substantive analysis of the sessions overall, but will continue to monitor.

We do note that the pre-announced "...concise and action oriented political declaration..." which was to be a key outcome of the high-level meeting did not achieve consensus, principally due to objections raised by the U.S. and the EU. We did not see any announcement about the declaration by the U.S. or acknowledgement on this in the WHO media release below, but have included a *New York Times* report. The EU issued a general statement [here](#). The declaration will be considered at a future UNGA meeting and is expected to be approved.

We are also reviewing the newly-released "*The Lancet Commissions – The NUS–Lancet PRIME Commission: transforming pandemic readiness for equity*" referenced [here](#).

UN High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response (PPPR)

Venue: United Nations Headquarters, New York

Date: 25 September 2026

Summary

The overall theme of the high-level meeting will be "Fostering a multilateral and intergenerational approach to prevent, prepare for and respond to pandemics and public health emergencies, through the principles of equity and solidarity".

High-level meeting on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response - General Assembly, 81st session

Production Date: 25 Sep 2026 **Video Length: 07:30:58**

(Multi-stakeholder panel 1) High-level meeting on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response - General Assembly, 81st session

Production Date: 25 Sep 2026 **Video Length: 01:59:47**

Description

Multi-stakeholder panel 1: The world together: multilateral action for coordinated pandemic prevention, preparedness and response, including sharing of best practices and lessons learnt so far.

Participants are invited to engage on the following guiding questions:

1. What lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic and other recent health emergencies have proven most valuable in strengthening PPPR at national, regional and global levels, and what best practices should be scaled up?
2. How can Member States strengthen multilateral cooperation and solidarity to improve coordination, trust, transparency and collective action during future health emergencies, while respecting national sovereignty?
3. What role can broad inclusive partnerships play to support multistakeholder coordinated engagement for strengthened PPPR at the national, regional and global levels, including through the implementation of relevant international agreements and global frameworks?
4. How can whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches be operationalized more effectively to strengthen preparedness capacities, improve community resilience, and address the drivers of infectious disease emergence and re-emergence, including through a One Health approach.

(Multi-stakeholder panel 2) High-level meeting on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response - General Assembly, 81st session

Production Date: 25 Sep 2026 **Video Length: 01:46:34**

Description

Multi-stakeholder panel 2: Equitable access through sustainability and predictability: capacities and financing for strengthened pandemic prevention, preparedness and response.

Participants are invited to address the following guiding questions:

1. What measures are needed to strengthen surveillance and laboratory systems, health and care workforce capacities, emergency preparedness mechanisms and community-based services engaging communities in a sustainable manner?
2. How can global, regional and national efforts strengthen research and development, manufacturing, regulatory and supply-chain capacities to ensure timely, equitable and affordable access to vaccines, therapeutics, diagnostics and other health products during pandemic emergencies?
3. How can sustainable financing and investment for PPPR be strengthened at both domestic and international levels, and what role can financing mechanisms play?
4. How can donor countries, international financial institutions, development banks, global health initiatives and the private sector better support country-led preparedness and response priorities, while avoiding fragmentation and duplication?

Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response and Human Mobility: From Global Commitments to Operational Action

Production Date: 24 Sep 2026 **Video Length: 01:28:30**

Summary

The high-level event will provide a platform to spotlight how countries and partners are translating high-level commitments into operational action, and to invite renewed political engagement on migrant-inclusive, mobility-sensitive, whole-of-government and whole-of-society PPPR.

Description

As governments and partners advance implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005), the Pandemic Agreement, and follow on the outcomes of the second UN High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response (PPPR), it is increasingly clear that pandemic preparedness efforts must better reflect population mobility realities.

Human mobility—through regular migration pathways as well as forced displacement due to climate change, conflict and other crises—shapes the effectiveness of disease detection, risk mitigation, service continuity and health system resilience. Migrants, refugees, internally displaced persons and other mobile populations are often disproportionately affected during

health emergencies, yet remain at times, insufficiently integrated into national and global PPPR planning...

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The World Health Organization (WHO) on the High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response - Press Conference

Production Date: 25 Sep 2026 **Video Length: 01:01:30**

Summary

Press Conference by Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General, along with Professor Mohamed Janabi, WHO Regional Director for Africa and Dr. Nedret Emiroglu, Head of the Secretariat for the Intergovernmental Working Group on the WHO Pandemic Agreement.

[Download Transcript](#)

World leaders renew commitment to protect the world from future pandemics

2nd UN General Assembly High-level Meeting underscores need for global action on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response, building on lessons from COVID-19 and recent advances in international health cooperation

WHO Media Release, 25 September 2026 News release New York

Political leaders meeting at the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) renewed their commitment to making the world safer from future pandemics, stressing the need for sustained and more equitable investment and action on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response (PPPR).

The UNGA today held its second High-level Meeting on PPPR, following its first staged in 2023 in response to the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic and gaps in global health security.

Countries stressed that strengthening PPPR is not a health issue alone – it requires a whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach, with involvement of communities and all relevant sectors.

Leaders recognized the progress made in the past three years to strengthen global systems to detect, prepare for and respond to pandemic threats, including adoption of the WHO Pandemic Agreement and amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005). Capacities and infrastructure for PPPR have also been scaled up with the establishment of global centres dedicated to epidemic and pandemic surveillance, sharing of pathogens, and local manufacturing of vaccines, treatments and diagnostics.

Addressing today's meeting, WHO Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, however, said that continued action and investment were needed to sustain progress and better prepare the world to respond to **threats like COVID-19, which was linked to more than 20 million excess deaths between 2020 and 2023, and wiping over US\$ 10 trillion from the global economy.**

"The COVID-19 pandemic exposed and exacerbated the fault lines of global health security, and taught the world many painful lessons," said Dr Tedros. "The political commitment shown today reflects those lessons, and includes important commitments to concrete, measurable and urgent action to build and strengthen local and national capacities, to invest in resilient health systems, and to expand equitable access to products, tools and resources."

Countries also stressed the urgent need to successfully finalize negotiations on an annex to the WHO Pandemic Agreement to establish the Pathogen Access and Benefit-Sharing (PABS) system, which is currently being negotiated by WHO Member States.

The purpose of the PABS annex is to operationalize a system for the timely sharing of pathogens with pandemic potential, and benefits arising from their use. This will enable research, development and timely and equitable sharing of vaccines, medicines, diagnostics and other health products arising from those pathogens. Adoption of the Annex at the coming World Health Assembly, in May 2027, is necessary for WHO Member States to start national consideration to ratify the WHO Pandemic Agreement...

In opening the meeting, Dr. Khalilur Rahman, President of the 81st UN General Assembly, said international cooperation was essential to protect the world from inevitable future pandemics through equitable and timely access to vaccines, diagnostics, therapeutics and other essential medical supplies, stronger health systems and closing persistent financing gaps to empower people and communities.

"We have the knowledge, we have the tools, we have the science and expertise, and we have the hard lessons of COVID-19," Dr Rahman told the meeting. "Let us use them for ourselves, our families and our loved ones. And also in memory of those we lost and in recognition of all those who suffered, needlessly."...

As discussions continued throughout the day, leaders taking part in the HLM emphasized that prevention, preparedness and response must remain a sustained political priority, not only during crises but in the years between them. They stressed that protecting the world from future pandemics will require continued political leadership, international cooperation and long-term investment.

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U.S. Rejects U.N. Declaration on Preparing for Future Pandemics

Most member nations spoke in support of the declaration, but some rich countries had strong objections.

New York Times, By Apoorva Mandavilli

Published Sept. 25, 2026 Updated Sept. 26, 2026, 3:15 p.m. ET

The United States and the European Union on Friday rejected a declaration by member countries of the United Nations that pledged international collaboration and solidarity in preparing for and responding to pandemics.

The declaration, the product of a high-level U.N. meeting on pandemic preparedness, is largely ceremonial. It is not legally binding, and does not set rules for what countries should do during pandemics. But its universal endorsement would have signaled a powerful expression of global political commitment to the issue.

Its rejection by some of the wealthiest countries sharpened the divide that became apparent during the coronavirus pandemic, when low-income nations lagged richer countries by more than a year in being able to provide vaccines to citizens.

The declaration will now be considered at a future meeting of the General Assembly, where it is still likely to garner enough votes to be adopted.

The reasons for the disagreements varied. The European Union said parts of the document crossed "red lines" on intellectual property protections, and that "technology transfer must be voluntary and on mutually agreed terms."

"The E.U. supports the important overarching objective of the declaration — strengthening pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response and its many useful elements — while not agreeing with the

elements in the declaration that set us back in the achievement of that objective,” a spokesman said in an emailed statement on Saturday.

The Trump administration’s objections were more along ideological lines. Representing the United States at the session, Dr. Erica Schwartz, the new director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said that despite some meaningful revisions, the document included “divisive ideologies that lack definitional consensus,” adding that “the United States is not in a position to support this text in full.”

She did not clarify what those ideologies were, but in an early draft viewed by The New York Times, the United States asked to delete mentions of equity, solidarity and universal access to sexual and reproductive health care services. U.S. officials suggested edits throughout the process that would have made the Trump administration more comfortable with the language, according to one official who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss internal deliberations...

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“Gavi Leap”

Mozambique recognised as the first-ever Gavi Leap Champion for health system reforms

:: Mozambique becomes the first recipient of Gavi’s Leap Champion recognition for its leadership in country ownership and sustained health investment.

:: As the first country to implement unified vaccine budgets under the Gavi Leap, Mozambique is a standard bearer in the movement towards greater country sovereignty in global health.

:: Dr Ussene Hilário Isse, Minister of Health of Mozambique: “We are proud to be a pioneer of the Gavi Leap initiative, which places national priorities and the health of our population at the centre of decision-making.”

New York/Geneva, 25 September 2026 – Mozambique today became the first country to receive the Gavi Leap Champion recognition. The inaugural recognition was presented in acknowledgment and appreciation of Mozambique’s leadership in country ownership, health system strengthening and sustainable health investments.

Mozambique was the first country to implement Gavi’s 2026–2030 strategic shift towards holistic immunisation budgets in alignment with its own National Immunisation Strategy, setting a new benchmark for how countries align national priorities, partner investments and health system goals around a single vision...

Driving the new approach is the Gavi Leap principle of country-centricity, which has led to a wholesale re-design of Gavi’s operating model to be simpler, less resource-intensive and more responsive to the needs of countries.

The Leap Champion recognition will be presented to countries that have achieved exceptional performance across criteria including: advancing country ownership, strengthening health systems and delivering sustainable health impact...

Mozambique’s health leadership extends beyond immunisation. Through its engagement on the Lusaka Agenda and within the African Union, **the country has strengthened the foundations of its health system through reforms to integrated community healthcare, health financing and supply chain priorities.** A major milestone for the country was the adoption of the 2026 National Health System Law, which formalised the Community Health Subsystem and incorporated remuneration for community health workers into the national wage bill...



Global Competition

[An Open Letter from the Chairs of AstraZeneca, Boehringer Ingelheim, Chiesi Group, Ipsen, GSK, Novo, Novartis, Roche, and Sanofi](#)

Europe Is Losing the Pharma Investment Race — But the Comeback Is Within Reach

September 22, 2026 [Text bolding from original]

We are proud Europeans. We serve as Chairs of companies born from European science, rooted in laboratories across Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the UK, and beyond. Our duty is to safeguard our companies' future so that we can continue to discover and develop life-changing medicines for patients.

The pharmaceutical sector is one of our continent's great post-war achievements. Built on investment in science, world-class universities, and the determination to discover medicines that change lives. Europe gave the world vaccines, pioneered treatments for heart disease, and laid the foundation for today's cancer treatments – transforming public health.

Europe's choice to incentivise discovery built one of our most productive and research-intensive sectors, supporting millions of highly skilled jobs, and generating an EU trade surplus of over €220 billion. The uptake of innovative medicines in Europe returns almost sixfold to the economy through lower hospitalisation costs and healthier working lives. Our sector powers a vast ecosystem spanning discovery, development and manufacturing, while strengthening health systems to manage rising burdens of disease and ageing populations.

But this hard-won inheritance is at risk. In our boardrooms, we see Europe losing ground to global competition. Over \$600 billion in pharmaceutical investment has been announced in the US and China in the last two years alone. European governments must create conditions that attract investment in next-generation medicines before it's too late.

Europe's alarm bells are ringing. As Mario Draghi warned, without urgent action, strategic sectors like pharmaceuticals face a 'slow agony' of decline. In 1990, Europe accounted for 43% of global pharmaceutical R&D. Today, it is 31% and falling. Europe's share of commercial clinical trials, which provide vital revenue for public hospitals and improve patient outcomes, has halved in a decade to 9%. China has overtaken Europe in clinical trials, pharmaceutical patents, and the development of new medicines.

For patients, the consequences are clear: around 40% of newly approved therapies never reach European patients. Among those that do, patients wait nearly 600 days for treatment. Cancer survival in Europe trails the US¹. Too many patients are diagnosed late or treated with medicines that fall short of the standard recommended by medical guidelines.

This is the result of decades in which Europe treated medicines as a cost to suppress rather than one of the best investments a government can make. Outdated systems constrain the use of innovative medicines, arbitrarily cap budgets, and fail to adjust spending for inflation despite rising patient need. Government policies send a powerful signal about how innovation is valued and the priority placed on ensuring that patients can access it.

The message to innovators has been stark: Europe does not value what you do.

The decisions we take have consequences today and for years to come. A single innovative medicine takes more than a decade and around €3 billion of at-risk investment before reaching a patient, with only one or two medicines emerging from every 10,000 candidates synthesised in laboratories. Few sectors face comparable risk over such long horizons. That commitment requires a market that rewards it.

It is becoming more urgent to change course. European leaders must recognise the danger. The EU can play an enabling role by accelerating clinical trials, protecting intellectual property, and adopting sensible digital policies. Crucially, the EU could also provide fiscal flexibility to Member States investing in health and innovative medicines, recognising these returns take time to materialise.

But EU action alone is not enough. The decisive levers lie with national governments: how much to invest in health budgets, how quickly new medicines are assessed and funded, and how to modernise healthcare to better prevent, detect and treat disease.

We ask national leaders to work with us to reverse Europe's declining competitiveness, unleash a new era of medical discovery, and secure health sovereignty. We recognise the fiscal pressures many face. But just like defence or energy, modern medicines should be treated as vital infrastructure and not be left to others to provide.

Opportunities are on Europe's doorstep if governments rebalance decades of underinvestment in innovative medicines and modernise value frameworks to reflect the total value of what these treatments bring to patients, health systems and the economy. In clinical trials alone, Europe could unlock €53 billion and 82,000 jobs by closing the gap with China and the US.

Europe's story does not have to be one of decline and dependency; it can be one of renewal and resilience. That choice belongs to national leaders and all of us as citizens. If we fail to act with ambition, our future will be built elsewhere. But if we choose to invest in health and medicines as strategic assets, Europe will not merely catch up – it can set the pace of global innovation once again and enable Europeans to live longer, healthier lives.

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Ebola – Bundibugyo virus disease (BVD) – PHEIC/PHECS

WHO

[Disease Outbreak News \(DONs\)](#)

[25 September 2026 | Ebola disease caused by Bundibugyo virus - Democratic Republic of the Congo](#)

Situation at a glance

Since the last Disease Outbreak News was published on 11 September 2026, the Bundibugyo virus outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo has expanded further, with two additional health zones affected. These include Bulu health zone in a new province, Sud Ubangi, located on the north-west part of the country and Dungu health zone in Haut-Uélé province, bordering South Sudan. This brings the total number of affected health zones to 63 across seven provinces out of 26 provinces of the country: Bas-Uélé, Haut-Uélé, Ituri, North Kivu, South Kivu, Sud Ubangi and Tshopo. This latest geographic expansion increases the risk of cross-border transmission.

As of 23 September 2026, the Democratic Republic of the Congo has reported 7890 confirmed cases, including 3799 deaths, resulting in a crude case fatality ratio (CFR) of 48.1%. At the national level, the

number of new cases reported each day remains high. However, the situation varies across the country, with some provinces and health zones experiencing much higher levels of transmission than others. The continuously high CFR, and especially the continuous high rate of deaths occurring in communities, highlights the seriousness of the disease and the persistent challenges in timely case detection and access to early and adequate patient care. These delays can contribute to preventable illness and deaths among people in affected and newly affected areas, while also allowing transmission to continue within households, communities, and healthcare settings.

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Africa

Africa CDC

Press Release

G20+ Mobilises US\$2.9 Billion for Ebola Response as Africa CDC Calls for Full Transparency and Traceability of Every Dollar

New York/Addis Ababa, 24 September 2026

Africa CDC welcomes the historic mobilisation achieved at the G20+ Foreign Ministers Meeting on Accelerating Collective Action to Defeat Ebola, convened by the United States on 23 September 2026 in New York on the margins of the United Nations General Assembly. The meeting demonstrated what can be achieved when political leadership, affected countries and international partners unite behind one objective: to stop transmission, save lives and end the outbreak.

What appeared difficult only weeks ago became possible yesterday. Commitments made have now reached approximately US\$2.9 billion, announced in connection with the New York meeting. This unprecedented mobilization of cash and in-kind assistance must now be converted rapidly into disbursements, implementation and measurable results in affected communities.

Africa CDC salutes the leadership of the United States in convening the meeting and for its substantial contribution to the response, now totalling US\$886 million...

Communiqué

Africa CDC welcomes U.S. Convened G20+ Ebola Meeting and Calls for United Action, Faster Delivery and Full Transparency

Addis Ababa, 20 September 2026 – The Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) welcomes the leadership of the United States in convening the G20 Foreign Ministers Meeting on Accelerating Collective Action to Defeat Ebola, to be held on 23 September 2026 in New York, on the margins of the United Nations General Assembly...

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Regions / Nation States

United States Pledges Additional Life-Saving Health Assistance in Response to Ebola Outbreak

Media Note September 23, 2026

Today, on the margins of the High-Level Week of the 81st United Nations General Assembly in New York, the U.S. Department of State announced an additional \$267 million in direct life-saving health and humanitarian assistance for the response to the Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). With this new life-saving global health assistance, the United States will directly scale up support to combat the outbreak through new Ebola treatment units, additional safe and dignified burial teams, mass procurements of personal protective equipment, expanded surveillance, critical health commodities, and contact tracing through trusted implementers.

The U.S. government continues to be the largest provider of health and humanitarian assistance for this outbreak. To date, the United States government has provided \$887 million in direct health and humanitarian assistance to combat the Ebola outbreak. Of that \$887 million, the Department of State has provided more than \$780 million in direct health and humanitarian assistance. This additional \$267 million fulfills the U.S. government's commitment at the G7 Leaders' Summit to provide up to an additional \$500 million on Ebola response efforts...

ECDC deploys experts to DRC to increase support amidst ongoing Ebola outbreak

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

21 September 2026

With the Ebola disease situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) still critical, the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) is deploying experts to DRC to increase support at the epicentre of the outbreak

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INGOs, Civil Society

MSF expands response to Ebola disease with new treatment centres as outbreak spreads across provinces

Project Update 23 Sep 2026

In northeastern Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) is expanding our response to the Ebola disease outbreak, as it spreads from the remote town of Nia Nia, in Ituri province, to Kisangani, the busy capital of neighbouring Tshopo province.

In Kisangani, MSF has been running the Ebola treatment centre (ETC) at Hôpital du Cinquantenaire, in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, since the end of June. In the first week of September, patients were transferred to a new 22-bed ETC, built and run by MSF, increasing treatment capacity in Kisangani.

In Nia Nia, MSF teams started working alongside the Ministry of Health at the ETC in the local hospital in early August. This week, MSF opened a new 50-bed ETC next to the hospital, further expanding access to Ebola care in the area...

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Polio – PHEIC

Polio this week [23 Sep 2026]

Headlines [Selected]

:: "One of humanity's most incredible technologies fits in a tiny vial..." WHO Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus

:: "Money spent on polio doesn't disappear once the job is done – it keeps strengthening the systems that keep people safe"

Devex interview with Luxembourg's Directorate for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Affairs

Summary of new polioviruses this week:

:: Afghanistan: seven WPV1 cases

:: Pakistan: one WPV1-positive environmental sample

:: Chad: one cVDPV2 case
:: DR Congo: three cVDPV2 cases

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UNGA81 – One Investment, Multiple Returns: Strengthening Child Health through Polio Eradication | Goals Lounge

Production Date: 23 Sep 2026 **Video Length: 01:16:39**

Summary

Global health faces a defining moment, with countries navigating a shifting architecture of new threats, financing changes, and demands for stronger systems, while SDG progress remains uneven. The Global Polio Eradication Initiative exemplifies effective collective action, uniting governments, communities, donors, and multilateral organizations.

Description

Global health faces a defining moment, with countries navigating a shifting architecture of new threats, financing changes, and demands for stronger systems, while SDG progress remains uneven. The Global Polio Eradication Initiative exemplifies effective collective action, uniting governments, communities, donors, and multilateral organizations. Since 1988, polio cases have dropped over 99%, protecting more than 20 million people from paralysis, yet conflict, fragility, and immunization gaps still threaten final eradication in the last two endemic countries.

Held at the Goals Lounge during UNGA81, this high level event gathers Member States, UN leaders, civil society, private sector partners, and youth advocates to discuss polio eradication as a model of partnership and accountability. Objectives include positioning the polio effort within global health architecture reform and UN80 priorities, securing renewed political commitment across endemic, outbreak affected, donor, and partner countries, and showing how these investments strengthen health systems and advance the SDGs.

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<https://www.who.int/news>

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25 September 2026 *News release*

World leaders renew commitment to protect the world from future pandemics

25 September 2026 *News release*

Recommendations announced for influenza vaccine composition for the 2027 southern hemisphere influenza season

25 September 2026 *News release*

WHO announces expansion of prequalification programme for medical devices

The World Health Organization (WHO) today announced a major expansion of its prequalification programme to include a wider range of life-saving medical devices such as contraceptives and innovative tuberculosis (TB) screening technologies. This broadens the range of quality-assured, safe and effective products covered by the programme, which already includes in vitro diagnostics (medical tests) and male circumcision devices...

The expansion is particularly significant for countries with limited regulatory capacity. An estimated 70% of countries report inadequate or weak regulatory systems for medicines and vaccines, with even greater challenges for other health products. By expanding the programme, WHO will help countries improve access to quality-assured medical devices such as male and female condoms, intrauterine devices (IUDs), computer-aided detection software for tuberculosis (CAD-TB) screening and male circumcision devices...

24 September 2026 *Departmental update*

From competencies to action: strengthening refugee and migrant health

From 21 to 24 September 2026, policy-makers, health managers and technical experts from seven countries and territories gathered in Rome for the second Global Orientation Course for Policy-makers on Refugee and Migrant Health. Jointly organized by WHO Health and Migration Programme (PHM) and the Italian National Institute for Health, Migration and Poverty (INMP), the programme explored how strengthening competencies across health systems can contribute to improved health outcomes for refugees and migrants...

23 September 2026 *News release*

WHO expands safe options for contraception

22 September 2026 *Departmental update*

Advancing One Health implementation and investment: from country action to sustainable solutions

The Quadripartite partners – the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) – highlighted a shared focus on implementation, science and investment at the 9th World One Health Congress, held in Lisbon, Portugal, from 4 to 7 September 2026.

Across the joint sessions, the partners explored how stronger country implementation, scientific evidence and investment can help realize tangible One Health outcomes, supported by intersectoral collaboration, and reflecting the interconnectedness between the health of people, animals, plants and ecosystems...

22 September 2026 *Departmental update*

Country-comparable childhood cancer survival data now available through WHO data portal

21 September 2026 *Departmental update*

WHO welcomes strong health commitments at the 2026 BRICS Summit

...Addressing heads of state and government, WHO Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus welcomed the adoption of the New Delhi Declaration and highlighted the central role of health in advancing the Summit's priorities. He called for stronger investment in primary health care, pandemic preparedness, equitable access to health technologies and sustainable health financing. He also reinforced these messages in direct conversations with leaders of BRICS member, partner and outreach countries on the margins of the Summit...

21 September 2026 *Departmental update*

New WHO report calls for stronger ethics oversight of AI-related health research

... A new WHO report, Artificial Intelligence-related health research: ethics review and oversight, provides recommendations for researchers, ethics committees, regulators, funders and policy-makers to help ensure that AI-enabled health research is conducted responsibly and for the benefit of all. The report was jointly developed by WHO experts working in research ethics, science and digital health and AI...

21 September 2026 *Departmental update*

WHO launches new primary health care course to strengthen health systems globally

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WHO Vaccines and Immunization [IVB]

https://www.who.int/health-topics/vaccines-and-immunization#tab=tab_1

News

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WHO African Region AFRO

:: 1 October 2026

Behind the two drops: The people making every polio vaccination count

:: 25 September 2026 | *News Release*

WHO Africa launches the Health Campaign Digitization initiative (DIGIT-HCM) to transform health campaign planning and delivery across the Region

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: 25 Sep 2026

CARICOM endorses new Action Plan on Health and Climate Change developed with PAHO/WHO support

Ministers of Health from the Caribbean Community endorsed the regional framework during the 53rd Meeting of the Council for Human and Social Development, Health (COHSOD-Health), in Washington, D.C. Washington, D.C., 25 September 2026 (PAHO).- Ministers of Health of CARICOM Member and Associate Member States have endorsed the Caribbean Action...

:: 25 Sep 2026

PAHO launches regional observatory to strengthen childhood cancer care in the Americas

The new platform uses comparable data from 24 countries to identify gaps in childhood cancer diagnosis, treatment and care and guide health investments and policies. Washington, D.C., 25 September 2026 (PAHO) – Each year, around 30,000 children and adolescents under the age of 19 are diagnosed with cancer in Latin America and the Caribbean, and...

:: 24 Sep 2026

Violence against health workers remains a challenge for health systems in the Americas, PAHO warns

Around 62% of health workers worldwide have experienced some form of workplace violence. During a regional seminar, PAHO launched a new fact sheet with recommendations to help prevent and respond to violence against health workers. Washington, D.C., 24 September 2026 (PAHO) – Violence against health workers continues to affect the well-being of...

:: 23 Sep 2026

PAHO and Africa CDC call for sustained investment and stronger Africa-Americas cooperation on pandemic preparedness

At UNGA, Burundi and Guyana joined PAHO and Africa CDC to advance country-led cooperation and financing for pandemic prevention, preparedness and response Addis Ababa, New York, 22 September 2026 (PAHO/WHO, Africa CDC) – The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) and the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC), together with...

:: 21 Sep 2026

UNGA81: Robust laboratory systems key to preventing, detecting and responding to health threats

At a side event co-organized by the Mérieux Foundation USA, Weill Cornell Medicine, GHESKIO Centers and PAHO, PAHO Director highlights lessons from the Americas and the importance of sustained investment in laboratory capacity between crises New York, September 21, 2026 (PAHO) – Robust laboratory systems are essential to prevent, detect and...

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

:: September 2026 *News release*

WHO South-East Asia immunization experts meet focuses on measles outbreaks and closing immunity gaps

WHO European Region EURO

No new digest content identified.

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: **WHO and KSrelief sign new agreement to strengthen life-saving nutrition care for children in Yemen**

24 September 2026

:: **Pakistan: partnering with Rotary to protect millions of children from polio**

23 September 2026

:: **Italy's support helps WHO to bring essential health care closer to families in eastern Afghanistan**

22 September 2026

:: **Listening to better support Pakistan's frontline vaccinators**

22 September 2026

WHO Western Pacific Region

No new digest content identified.

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WHO - Emergency situation reports

Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations. Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations.

No new digest content identified.

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Disease Outbreak News (DONs)

Latest WHO Disease Outbreak News (DONs), providing information on confirmed acute public health
25 September 2026 | Ebola disease caused by Bundibugyo virus - Democratic Republic of the Congo

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

<https://www.who.int/publications/journals/weekly-epidemiological-record>

25 September 2026, Vol. 101, No. 38

https://hq_weeklyepidemiologicalrecord.cmail19.com/t/d-e-wjidtl-ijjdtklujh-h/

- Highlighted Signals and Events
- Global Respiratory Virus Activity: Weekly Update
- Cholera Annual Report, 2025
- Control of epidemic meningitis in countries in the African meningitis belt, 2025
- Human plague, 2019-2025

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New WHO Publications

<https://www.who.int/publications>

Selected

24 September 2026

[WHO Expert Committee on Drug Dependence: forty-eighth report](#)

21 September 2026

[Filovirus collaborative open research consortium research priorities for the ongoing Bundibugyo virus...](#)

21 September 2026

[Global framework to accelerate action on avian influenza](#)

Overview

Avian influenza is a complex global challenge with consequences for animal health, human health, biodiversity, food security and livelihoods. In recent decades, high pathogenicity avian influenza (HPAI) viruses have spread across continents, become established in wild bird populations, affected an increasing range of mammalian species and caused unprecedented impacts on wildlife, poultry production and associated economies. These impacts are occurring alongside other environmental pressures, including climate change, habitat degradation and biodiversity loss. Recognizing these challenges, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Health Organization (WHO), the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) and the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) developed this global framework to strengthen collaboration on avian influenza through a One Health approach. It provides a common reference for coordinated action across human, animal and environmental sectors, focusing on prevention, early detection and rapid response, preparedness, risk assessment and communication, surveillance and information sharing, and multidisciplinary research. The framework builds on existing mandates and mechanisms to strengthen coherence, reduce duplication and support integrated, country-led action.

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Africa

Africa CDC [26 Sep 2026]

<https://africacdc.org/>

News & Updates [Selected]

Press Release

[G20+ Mobilises US\\$2.9 Billion for Ebola Response as Africa CDC Calls for Full Transparency and Traceability of Every Dollar](#)

24 September 2026

Press Releases

[PAHO and Africa CDC call for sustained investment and stronger Africa-Americas cooperation on pandemic preparedness](#)

23 September 2026

Communiqué

[Africa CDC welcomes U.S. Convened G20+ Ebola Meeting and Calls for United Action, Faster Delivery and Full Transparency](#)

20 September 2026

African Medicines Agency [26 Sep 2026]

<https://au-ama.africa/news-events/>

Latest News & Events

No new digest content identified.

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China – CDC+

National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China [26 Sep 2026]

<http://en.nhc.gov.cn/>

News

Website not responding at inquiry.

National Medical Products Administration – PRC [26 Sep 2026]

<https://english.nmpa.gov.cn/>

Website not responding at inquiry.

China CDC

CCDC Weekly Reports: Current Volume (8)

<https://weekly.chinacdc.cn/article/current>

Website not responding at inquiry.

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Europe

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

<https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en>

News/Updates/Reports/Publications [Selected]

[ECDC deploys experts to DRC to increase support amidst ongoing Ebola outbreak](#)

21 September 2026

With the Ebola disease situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) still critical, the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) is deploying experts to DRC to increase support at the epicentre of the outbreak

Surveillance and monitoring

Seasonal surveillance of dengue in the EU/EEA

25 September 2026

Surveillance and monitoring

Seasonal surveillance for chikungunya virus disease in the EU/EEA for 2026

25 September 2026

European Medicines Agency [EMA]

<https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/news>

News & Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

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India

National Centre for Disease Control

Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

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U.S. Immunization and Public Health Governance/Policy/Funding

Given the continuing extraordinary situation in the U.S., we have established a separate section of the digest to capture and organize key content. Please note that we will selectively include external analysis and comment, either boxing or indenting this content under the relevant organization/action. We recognize that despite the volume of content in this section, this summary is indicative and not exhaustive

Executive Branch - White House, State, HHS, FDA, CDC+ White House

Presidential Actions – Executive Orders; Memoranda; Proclamations

No new digest content identified.

Department of State

Press Releases - Selected

Press Statements

Remarks

Deputy Secretary of State Christopher Landau at a Trade Over Aid Deals Showcase

September 25, 2026, Lotte New York Palace, New York City, New York

Media Note

[United States Pledges Additional Life-Saving Health Assistance in Response to Ebola Outbreak](#)

September 23, 2026

HHS

[Press Room](#) - Selected

[HHS Accelerates Shift to Human-Based Research, Reduces Reliance on Animal Testing](#)

WASHINGTON, D.C. — SEPTEMBER 21, 2026 — The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) today announced a new wave of agency-wide actions to accelerate the shift toward human-based research methods and reduce unnecessary animal testing, advancing a coordinated effort to modernize how the federal government conducts, funds, and evaluates biomedical research...

NIH

[News Releases](#)

[NIH launches new PubMed tool to strengthen research replication and reproducibility](#)

September 24, 2026 — Linked Discoveries is an experimental tool to help scientists see how individual research findings relate to the larger body of biomedical evidence.

[Modified HIV drug reverses vision loss and paralysis in multiple sclerosis model](#)

September 23, 2026 — Modified HIV drug reverses vision loss and paralysis in multiple sclerosis model.

[Scientists develop high-resolution molecular maps of Alzheimer's and related brain disorders](#)

September 23, 2026 — NIH-funded effort delivers new insights into symptoms and underlying mechanisms of these conditions to improve prevention, detection, treatment, and outcomes.

[NIH makes major investments to advance human-based research infrastructure and technologies](#)

September 21, 2026 — Projects spanning the nation will accelerate scientific discovery, reduce reliance on animals.

FDA

[Press Announcements](#)

[September 21, 2026 - FDA Updates Regulations to Advance Innovative Alternatives to Animal Testing](#)

FDA CBER

[What's New for Biologics](#)

09/23/2026 [September 23, 2026 Approval Letter - ADZYNMA](#)

09/21/2026 [SOPP 8101.1: Regulatory Meetings with Sponsors and Applicants for Drugs and Biological Products](#)

FDA VRBPAC [Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee]

[Advisory Committee Calendar](#)

[Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee October 1, 2026 Meeting](#)

Announcement - 10/01/2026.

FDA Pediatric Advisory Committee Meeting

[Advisory Committee Calendar](#)

No new committee meeting announcements identified.

CDC

<http://www.cdc.gov/media/index.html>

Latest News - Selected

No new digest content identified.

CDC – Immunization Safety Office (ISO)

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccine-safety-systems/about/cdc-monitoring-program.html>

No new digest content identified [last updated August 7, 2024]

ACIP

2026 Meetings Schedule *[as posted]*

- March 18-19 (Due to ongoing litigation, this meeting is cancelled)
- June 24-26 (Due to ongoing litigation, this meeting is cancelled)
- October 21-23

National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC)

<https://www.hhs.gov/programs/national-vaccine-program/nvac/index.html>

Upcoming Meetings/Latest Updates

No new meeting dates posted.

Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines (ACCV)

<https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/vaccines/meetings>

Next ACCV meetings – TBD

Recharter for the Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines

A Notice by the Health Resources and Services Administration on 07/21/2026

SUMMARY:

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), the Department of Health and Human Services is hereby giving notice that the Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines (ACCV) has been rechartered. The effective date of the renewed charter is July 21, 2026. ... A copy of the ACCV charter is available on the ACCV website at

<https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/vaccines/index.html>..

MMWR Weekly

<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/index2026.html>

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[PDF of this issue](#)

:: Notes from the Field: The First 100 Days of Five Ebola Outbreaks — Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda, and West Africa, 2007–2026

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National Science Foundation/NSF

[News](#)

No new digest content identified.

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U.S. Congress

House

No new digest content identified.

Senate

No new digest content identified.

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Supreme Court, Federal & Appellate Courts

O'Neill Institute – Health Care Litigation Tracker [Georgetown University]

<https://litigationtracker.law.georgetown.edu/>

No new digest content identified.

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U.S. Medical, Scientific, Professional Societies; Health Organizations

This inventory is evolving and may not capture all instances of relevant comment and analysis.

American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)

<https://www.aafp.org/news/media-center.html>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

Leading Physician Groups: USPSTF Must Preserve Access to Care

September 21, 2026

The statement below is issued by the American Academy of Family Physicians, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists, the American Osteopathic Association and the American Psychiatric Association, who represent more than 400,000 physicians and medical students:

Access and coverage for preventive care services matters to everyone. **The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force plays an integral role in helping physicians make the best evidence-based recommendations for their patients.**

The health of Americans depends on the new USPSTF maintaining its stature as a trusted source of evidence-based clinical guidance for the medical community. **Our organizations stand ready to support work that ensures patients can access important preventive services—from cancer screenings to counseling to immunizations—without cost.**

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

<https://www.aap.org/en/news-room/news-releases-from-the-aap/>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

News

No new digest content identified.

American College of Physicians (ACP)

<https://www.acponline.org/more-acp-news>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

ACP continues to advocate for patient access to vaccinations

09/25/26 ACP Advocate

America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP)

<https://www.ahip.org/news>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

News

No new digest content identified.

American Geriatrics Society (AGS)

<https://www.americangeriatrics.org/media-center>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

Recent Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

American Medical Association (AMA)

<https://www.ama-assn.org/press-center>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

American Osteopathic Association (AOA)

<https://osteopathic.org/news/>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

Latest News

[Leading physician groups: USPSTF must preserve access to care](#)

By Group of Six 09.22.26

American Public Health Association (APHA)

[https://www.apha.org/news-and-media/news-](https://www.apha.org/news-and-media/news-releases?sortFieldName=ItemDate&sortDisplayName=Newest&sortMode=desc)

[releases?sortFieldName=ItemDate&sortDisplayName=Newest&sortMode=desc](https://www.apha.org/news-and-media/news-releases?sortFieldName=ItemDate&sortDisplayName=Newest&sortMode=desc)

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

No new digest content identified

Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA)

<https://www.idsociety.org/>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

News

[Keep politics out of medical research](#)

Last Updated September 21, 2026

Reports of the Administration's plan to create an external committee to make funding decisions regarding investments in medical research grants by the National Institutes of Health are alarming. Decisions regarding the tens of billions of federal dollars invested in medical research belong in the hands of scientific experts who can evaluate the most pressing patient and public health needs and the merit of the grant request.

External committee review risks further delays and destabilization of the NIH grant process, which has already seen persistent problems during the current Administration. In addition, this step is contradictory to the spirit of the bipartisan continuing resolution, which for now prohibits the Administration from implementing sweeping changes to federal grant review.

Politicizing a process that is intended to improve the lives of all Americans and protect our nation's public health will have far reaching consequences for the health and security of our nation. We urge the Administration to reconsider the proposal and call on Congress to prevent politics from impeding medical progress by ensuring NIH funding is spent as intended for the benefit of all Americans.

— Ronald G. Nahass, MD, MHCM, FIDSA – President, IDSA

— Anna K. Person, MD, FIDSA – Chair, HIVMA

National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID)

<https://www.nfid.org/news-updates/>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

News and Updates

September 24, 2026

New Survey: Most US Adults Support Vaccines, but Many Remain Unclear About Respiratory Vaccine Recommendations

Support for vaccines is high — vaccination isn't. More than half of US adults did not try to get a flu, COVID-19, RSV, or pneumococcal vaccine in the past year, and many remain unsure which ones are recommended for them

NFID launches National Respiratory Communications Initiative to help deliver clear, consistent, evidence-based guidance on respiratory disease prevention

- New national survey released at NFID's 2026 Annual Respiratory Season Kick-Off in Washington, DC, finds US adults support vaccines but are unclear which ones they need. Most adults back vaccination broadly — yet less than half say they tried to get a flu, COVID-19, RSV, or pneumococcal vaccine this past year, and many cannot say which are recommended for them.
- The gap isn't hesitancy — it's clarity. People are unsure which recommendations apply to them, and roughly 1 in 5 who tried to get vaccinated ran into a problem.
- To close that gap, **NFID launched the National Respiratory Communications Initiative (NRCI) at the event, uniting leading immunization, infectious disease, patient advocacy, and public health organizations behind clear, consistent guidance** — with new resources for families and healthcare professionals at www.TameIt.org(opens in new tab).
- Experts from AAFP, ACEP, AHIP, and Families Fighting Flu urged Americans to talk with a healthcare professional about which vaccines are right for them — the source adults say they trust most.

National Medical Association (NMA)

<https://nmanet.org/blog/>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society (PIDS)

<https://pids.org/news-announcements/>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

News & Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA)

<https://shea-online.org/news/>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

No new digest content identified.

Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine (SMFM)

<https://www.smfm.org/>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

News

No new digest content identified.

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Civil Society – Individuals, Organizations, Institutions [Selected]

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Kaiser Family Foundation/KFF [26 Sep 2026]

https://www.kff.org/search/?post_type=press-release

The Trump Administration's Foreign Aid Review: Status of the President's Malaria Initiative (PMI)

Sep 22, 2026 *Fact Sheet*

Fact sheet examining actions taken by the Trump administration and their impact on the President's Malaria Initiative (PMI).

The Trump Administration's Foreign Aid Review: Status of U.S. Global Maternal and Child Health Efforts

Sep 22, 2026 *Fact Sheet*

Fact sheet examining actions taken by the Trump administration and their impact on global maternal and child health.

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Vaccine Integrity Project – CIDRAP [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.cidrap.umn.edu/vaccine-integrity-project>

Announcements, Viewpoints

No new digest content identified.

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Center for Vaccine Ethics & Policy - GE2P2 Global Foundation [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://centerforvaccineethicsandpolicy.net/>

:: **PUBLIC COMMENT – HHS Request for Information: Categories Used in Federal Vaccine Recommendations/Role of Shared Clinical Decision-Making** *Issued 08/24/2026*

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Paul Offit, MD – *Beyond the Noise*

Substack: <https://pauloffit.substack.com/>

[Like the Velociraptors in Jurassic Park, RFK Jr. Is Learning](#)

RFK Jr. has apparently stopped pushing vitamin A to treat measles. Is it possible that he is learning from his mistakes?

Sep 21, 2026

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Art Caplan, PhD

Posted in [Hastings Bioethics Forum](#), [Health and Health Care Bioethics Forum Essay](#)

[Accomplishing the Unthinkable, RFK Jr Takes a Bow](#)

by [Arthur Caplan](#)

Published September 18, 2026

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Organization Announcements

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [26 Sep 2026]

<https://alleninstitute.org/news-press/>

News

[Allen Institute announces 2026 Next Generation Leaders](#)

This year's researchers bring expertise in computational biology, immunology, neuroscience, and cellular engineering.

September 22, 2026

Gates Foundation [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.gatesfoundation.org/ideas/media-center>

Press Releases & Statements

Press release Sep 22, 2026

[MTN Group Foundation and Gates Foundation launch first-of-its-kind Maternal Health Multiplier platform to expand access to AI-enabled maternal health care in Nigeria](#)

Partnership aims to help 500,000 women in Nigeria access higher-quality maternal health care by 2030

Press release Sep 21, 2026

[Global Organizations Announce Five-Year Goal to Help More Than Three Billion People Use AI in Their Own Language and Voice](#)

60 initial signatories – frontier AI labs, researchers, companies, governments, community organizations, and philanthropic organizations – will bring expertise and resources to the effort and invite others to join

CARB-X [26 Sep 2026]

<https://carb-x.org/>

News

No new digest content identified..

Chan Zuckerberg Initiative [26 Sep 2026]

<https://chanzuckerberg.com/newsroom/>

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

CEPI – Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations [26 Sep 2026]

<http://cepi.net/>

News

Ethiopia, Norway and UK commit US\$240 million to CEPI's global plan to tackle epidemic and pandemic threats

The three countries pledge new funding for CEPI 3.0, the organisation's five-year plan to transform the world's ability to prevent and respond to epidemic and pandemic threats.

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CIOMS – COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://cioms.ch/>

News; Publications; Events

No new digest content identified.

DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.darpa.mil/news>

News

No new digest content identified.

DNDI – Drugs for Neglected Diseases Initiative [26 Sep 2026]

<https://dndi.org/press/press-releases/>

Press Releases

Statements 25 Sep 2026

DNDi intervention at the UN High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and Response at the 81st UN General Assembly

... governments can start now to implement key priorities related to accelerating innovation for medical countermeasures and ensuring equitable access to resulting therapeutics, diagnostics, and vaccines—through national action as well as regional and cross-regional coalitions and alliances...

Duke Global Health Innovation Center [26 Sep 2026]

<https://dukeghic.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

EDCTP [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.edctp.org/>

The European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP) aims to accelerate the development of new or improved drugs, vaccines, microbicides and diagnostics against HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria as well as other poverty-related and neglected infectious diseases in sub-Saharan Africa, with a focus on phase II and III clinical trials

News

No new digest content identified.

Emory Vaccine Center [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.vaccines.emory.edu/>

Vaccine Center News

No new digest content identified.

European Vaccine Initiative [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.euvaccine.eu/>

News

No new digest content identified.

Fondation Merieux [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.fondation-merieux.org/>

Actualités

No new digest content identified.

Gates Medical Research Institute [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.gatesmri.org/news>

News: Articles and Publications

No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.gavi.org/>

News Releases, VaccinesWork

Mozambique recognised as the first-ever Gavi Leap Champion for health system reforms

:: Mozambique becomes the first recipient of Gavi's Leap Champion recognition for its leadership in country ownership and sustained health investment.

25 September 2026

GE2P2 Global Foundation [26 Sep 2026]

www.ge2p2.org

News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements/Digests

:: **Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review** - Current edition

:: **PUBLIC COMMENT – HHS Request for Information: Categories Used in Federal Vaccine Recommendations/ Role of Shared Clinical Decision-Making** Issued 08/24/2026

GHIT Fund [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/>

News Releases

18 September 2026

Institute of Philanthropy Commits Nearly US\$5 Million to Bring Innovative TB Diagnostics Closer to Patients

New philanthropic investment will help countries turn promising diagnostic innovations into impact and bring faster, more accurate TB testing to communities that need it most

16 September 2026

Global Fund Report Shows Countries Fought to Protect Essential Health Services Despite Challenging Year

The Global Fund partnership has now helped save 72 million lives since 2002, with this year's Results Report highlighting how country and community leadership, innovation and partnership helped protect essential services and safeguard decades of prog...

Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness [GloPID-R] [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.glopid-r.org/>

News & Event

No new digest content identified.

Hilleman Laboratories [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.hilleman-labs.org/>

News & Insights

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.hhmi.org/news>

News & Stories

No new digest content identified.

Human Immunome Project [nee Human Vaccines Project] [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.humanimmunomeproject.org/>

News

Science News

15 challenges at the intersection of biology & AI

IAVI [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.iavi.org/>

Press Releases, Features

In The News

[Why the future of vaccine innovation must be built in Africa, with Africa](#)

Nile Post, September 23, 2026

INSERM [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.inserm.fr/en/home/>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

International Coalition of Medicines Regulatory Authorities [ICMRA]

<http://www.icmra.info/drupal/en/news>

Selected Statements, Press Releases, Research

No new digest content identified.

ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.ich.org/page/public-consultations>

News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.icrc.org/en/news>

Latest press releases and statements

[ICRC president: The safety of humanitarian personnel is inseparable from the safety of all civilians](#)

Statement 24-09-2026

[Joint statement on the Global Initiative to galvanize political commitment to international humanitarian law](#)

Statement 23-09-2026

[ICRC president: The responsibility to protect civilians lies with those who hold political power](#)

Statement 21-09-2026

IFFIm [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.iffim.org/>

Press Releases/Announcements

No new digest content identified.

IFRC [to 26 Sep 2026]

<http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/>

Press releases

[Nepal floods: One month on - Red Cross steps up support as heavy rains continue](#)

25/09/2026 | Press release

IPPS - International Pandemic Preparedness Secretariat [26 Sep 2026]

<https://ippsecretariat.org/news/>

News

No new digest content identified.

Institut Pasteur [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.pasteur.fr/en/press-area>

Press Documents

No new digest content identified.

InterAcademy Partnership (IAP)

<https://www.interacademies.org/news/press-releases>

News

No new digest content identified.

ISC / International Science Council [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://council.science/current/>

ISC is a non-governmental organization with a unique global membership that brings together 40 international scientific Unions and Associations and over 140 national and regional scientific organizations including Academies and Research Councils.

News, Blogs

No new digest content identified.

International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS)

<https://iuis.org/>

News, Resources

No new digest content identified.

IVAC [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/ivac/index.html>

Updates; Events

No new digest content identified.

IVI [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.ivi.int/>

IVI News & Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security [26 Sep 2026]

<https://centerforhealthsecurity.org/newsroom>

Center News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom.html>

Latest News and Highlights

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.msf.org/>

Latest [Selected Announcements]

DRC Ebola outbreaks

[MSF expands response to Ebola disease with new treatment centres as outbreak spreads across provinces](#)

Project Update 23 Sep 2026

Non-communicable diseases

[Delivering cancer care to women in humanitarian crises is possible](#)

Press Release 21 Sep 2026

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://nam.edu/programs/>

News, Stories, Insights

No new digest content identified.

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM] - USA [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.nationalacademies.org/newsroom>

News

[How the National Academies Are Informing Discussions of AI Progress and Safety](#)

Feature Story

As rapid advances in AI continue to raise concerns about how it can be pursued safely without stifling technological progress, the National Academies have been at the forefront of efforts to better understand what these advances in AI mean for researchers and society at large.

Sep 24, 2026

[Neil Shubin Presents Updated 'On Being a Scientist'](#)

Announcement

For researchers, making new discoveries is accompanied by professional and ethical responsibilities to ensure research integrity and maintain public trust. In a new video, NAS President Neil Shubin introduces an updated guide from the National Academies for early career researchers and students to help them navigate a rapidly changing scientific landscape and tackle critical issues facing researchers today.

Sep 24, 2026

PATH [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.path.org/media-center/>

Newsroom [Selected]

[PATH and Global Fund take stock of antimalarial efficacy studies](#)

September 22, 2026 by PATH

The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria selects PATH to landscape, assess, and support antimalarial therapeutic efficacy studies across Sub-Saharan Africa.

Rockefeller Foundation [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/>

News and Announcements

Around 100 Former Heads of State and Government Call on Current Leaders To Renew International Cooperation

Rockefeller Foundation, *Press Releases* Published Date September 21, 2026

:: *Former leaders urge a renewed framework for cooperation grounded in human dignity, the rule of law and mutual respect.*

:: *New global polling shows broad public support for countries working together.*

Sabin Vaccine Institute [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.sabin.org/press/>

Latest News & Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UNAIDS [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.unaids.org/en>

News, Stories, Updates

Press Release

UNAIDS welcomes a new € 544,000 contribution from Benin to support UNAIDS work in the country

NEW YORK/GENEVA, 24 September 2026

UNICEF [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.unicef.org/media/press-releases>

Press releases, news notes and statements [Selected]

Remarks 25 September 2026

Hunger and malnutrition stalking Yemen's children as violence escalates

ADEN, 25 September 2026 –, "Children across Yemen are yet again at the sharpest end of escalating conflict. Allow me to start today not with a number, but with a child. "Yesterday, I visited the Al Firdous displacement centre in Aden and saw firsthand the aggravating impact renewed fighting is having on children ...

Press release 23 September 2026

Hunger and malnutrition crises persist in Somalia as projected floods and funding shortfalls threaten vulnerable populations

MOGADISHU, 23 September 2026 –, Millions of people across Somalia continue to face high levels of hunger, while acute malnutrition among children is set to worsen over the coming months as heavy flooding associated with the anticipated El Niño is expected to worsen the situation during October to December 2026, th...

Remarks 22 September 2026

UNICEF Executive Catherine Russell remarks: Debt, development and the next generation

NEW YORK, 22 September 2026 - , "Excellencies ... President Ruto ... Prime Minister Mottley ... Ministers ... distinguished partners and colleagues ... "Huge welcome to UNICEF House and thank you

for joining us for this incredibly important discussion on debt, development, and the next generation.
"We have brought together..."

Unitaid [26 Sep 2026]

<https://unitaid.org/>

News releases

Unitaid marks 20 years and asks that global health reform be driven by equitable access

23 September 2026

"Twenty years ago, too many lifesaving medicines and tests were out of reach for the people who needed them most. Unitaid and CHAI showed that we could bring prices down, expand supply, and get new treatments and tests to people much faster," said President Bill Clinton. "The next generation of breakthroughs should be measured the same way: by how quickly they reach the people who need them."

Vaccine Equity Cooperative [nee Initiative] [26 Sep 2026]

<https://vaccineequitycooperative.org/news/>

News

No new digest content identified. [Last update Jun 30, 2023]

Vaccine Confidence Project [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.vaccineconfidence.org/>

News, Research and Reports

No new digest content identified.

Vaccine Education Center – Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.chop.edu/centers-programs/vaccine-education-center>

News

Vaccine Update Newsletter September 2026

Wellcome Trust [26 Sep 2026]

<https://wellcome.org/>

News. Opinion, Reports

No new digest announcements identified.

The Wistar Institute [to 26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases>

Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

World Bank [to 26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.worldbank.org/en/news/all>

News [Selected]

Statement on Catastrophic Floods in Nepal

September 23, 2026 | *Statement*

WFPHA: World Federation of Public Health Associations [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.wfpha.org/>

Blog, Events

No new digest announcements identified.

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 06 Sep 025]

<https://www.wma.net/news-press/press-releases/>

Press Releases

Governments must act now to build a pandemic-ready health workforce, says WHPA

25th September 2026

As world leaders meet in New York today for the UN High-Level Meeting (HLM) on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response (PPPR), the World Health Professions Alliance (WHPA) is calling on governments to act on their commitments to strengthen and invest in the health workforce — before the next pandemic strikes.

Chronic understaffing, poor working conditions and unsustainable investment are leaving health systems ill-prepared for the workforce demands of a pandemic, WHPA warns...

World Organisation for Animal Health [WOAH/OIE] [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.oie.int/>

Latest News

No new digest announcements identified.

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ARM [Alliance for Regenerative Medicine] [26 Sep 2026]

<https://alliancerm.org/press-releases/>

Selected Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

BIO [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.bio.org/press-releases>

Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

DCVMN – Developing Country Vaccine Manufacturers Network [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.dcvmn.org/>

Event

27th DCVMN Annual General Meeting

September 22 - 24, 2026

Beijing, China

EFPIA – European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations

<https://www.efpia.eu/news-events/>

News & Events

No new digest announcements identified.

ICBA – International Council of Biotechnology Associations [26 Sep 2026]

<https://internationalbiotech.org/>

News

No new digest announcements identified.

IFPMA [26 Sep 2026]

<https://ifpma.org/>

News & Resources

Press release 23 September 2026

Innovation must remain at the heart of pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response, says pharma industry

By IFPMA *Press release*

As world leaders gather at the United Nations to agree on a Political Declaration on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and Response (PPPR), the global pharmaceutical industry is urging governments to seize this opportunity and accelerate practical commitments that strengthen preparedness for future health crises.

Statement 26 Sep 2026

Consideration of the Political Declaration on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and Response (PPPR)

On the occasion of the UN High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and Response, Dr. David Reddy, Director General, IFPMA, said: "The global pharmaceutical industry urges governments to seize the opportunity of the Political Declaration on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and Response (PPPR), and accelerate practical commitments that strengthen preparedness for future health crises...

[Read more](#)

Statement 25 Sep 2026

UN High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and Response

On 25 September 2026 in New York City, IFPMA submitted a statement at the UN High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and Response. Panel 1: Multilateral action for coordinated pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response, including sharing of best practices and lessons learned so far The COVID-19 pandemic and outbreaks including Ebola have reinforced a simple...

International Alliance of Patients' Organizations – IAPO [26 Sep 2026]

<https://www.iapo.org.uk/news>

Press and media [Selected]

No new digest announcements identified.

International Generic and Biosimilar Medicines Association [IGBA]

<https://www.igbamedicines.org/>

News

No new digest announcements identified.

PhRMA [26 Sep 2026]

<http://www.phrma.org/>

Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

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Vaccines/Therapeutics/Medicines – Selected Developer/Manufacturer Announcements

We recognize that this listing is indicative but certainly not exhaustive. We invite nomination of other vaccine developers for potential addition to those monitored below.

AstraZeneca

[Press Releases](#)

[AstraZeneca expands company's \\$100m+ commitment to advance youth health equity in more than 60 countries](#)

23 September 2026

New five-year phase of flagship Young Health Programme with partners UNICEF, Plan International and One Young World, aims to reach 10 million more young people and train 800,000 youth advocates by 2030

Bavarian Nordic

[Latest News](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

BioCubaFarma – Cuba

[Últimas Noticias](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Biological E

[News](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

BioNTech

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Boehringer

[Press Releases](#)

[Boehringer Ingelheim and AWARE launch new Stop Rabies project in Zimbabwe to help protect dogs and communities](#)

Ingelheim, Germany, Wed, 23/09/2026 - 10:00

:: Rabies remains one of the world's deadliest yet preventable zoonotic diseases, highlighting the need for sustained prevention efforts.

:: Through a new multi-year collaboration, Boehringer Ingelheim and AWARE are expanding dog vaccination, population management and education efforts in rural Zimbabwe.

CanSinoBIO

[News](#) - Website not responding at inquiry.

CIGB

[Latest News](#) - Website not responding at inquiry.

CinnaGen – Iran

[CinnaGen News](#) - Website not responding at inquiry.

Clover Biopharmaceuticals – China

[News](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

CSL Seqirus

[News Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Curevac

[News](#) - Website now directs to BioNTech site

Dailchi Sankyo

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Gamaleya National Center/Sputnik

[Latest News and Events](#) - No new digest announcements identified [Last: 09 Nov 2020]

<https://sputnikvaccine.com/> - No new digest announcements identified [Last: 31 Aug 2022]

GSK

[Press releases for media](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

EuBiologics, S Korea

[News](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

HIPRA

[Press releases](#)

[Health experts highlight the need to maintain protection against COVID-19 and ensure the availability of different vaccine platforms](#)

21-09-2026

:: The National Association of Health Information Professionals (ANIS), with the support of HIPRA, brought together experts in public health, immunology and vaccinology to analyze the current COVID-19 situation, the evolution of vaccine technologies and the criteria that shape vaccination strategies.

:: Experts emphasize that, although the impact of COVID-19 has decreased among the general population, SARS-CoV-2 continues to circulate, and older people, immunocompromised individuals and those with certain chronic conditions remain at greater risk of developing severe complications.

JNJ Innovative Medicine [Janssen]

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Merck

[News releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified

Moderna

[News and Blog Posts](#) - No new digest announcements identified

Nanogen

[News](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Novartis

[News](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Novavax

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Pfizer

[Recent Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

R-Pharm

<https://rpharm-us.com/index.php>

[No news or media page identified]

Samsung Biologics

[Latest News](#) - No new digest announcements identified

Sanofi Pasteur

[Press Releases](#) -

[An Open Letter from the Chairs of AstraZeneca, Boehringer Ingelheim, Chiesi Group, Ipsen, GSK, Novo, Novartis, Roche, and Sanofi](#)

Europe Is Losing the Pharma Investment Race — But the Comeback Is Within Reach

September 22, 2026

Serum Institute

[News & Announcements](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Sinopharm/WIBPBIBP

[News](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Sinovac

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

SK Biosciences

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Takeda

[Newsroom](#) - No new digest announcements identified

Valneva

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

WestVac Biopharma

[Media](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Zhifei Longcom, China

[Anhui Zhifei Longcom Biologic Pharmacy Co., Ltd.]

[Website](#) *[No News/Announcements page identified]*

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Journal Watch

Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review continues its weekly scanning of key peer-reviewed journals to identify and cite articles, commentary and editorials, books reviews and other content supporting our focus on vaccine ethics and policy. Journal Watch is not intended to be exhaustive, but indicative of themes and issues the Center is actively tracking. We selectively provide full text of some editorial and comment articles that are specifically relevant to our work. Successful access to some of the links provided may require subscription or other access arrangement unique to the publisher.

If you would like to suggest other journal titles to include in this service, please contact David Curry at: david.r.curry@centerforvaccineethicsandpolicy.org

AJOB Empirical Bioethics

Volume 17 2026 Issue 3

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabr21/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

AMA Journal of Ethics

Volume 27, Number 12: E823-875 December 2025

<https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/aging-bad-you>

Aging Is Bad for You?

At some point along life's trajectory, growing becomes aging. Gerotherapeutics—biologically-based approaches to health that target processes of aging—seem poised to respond. This theme issue investigates ethical valences of what gerotherapeutics suggest about our socially, culturally, and historically entrenched patterns of pathologizing and medicalizing aging. Advancement in our understanding of physiological mechanisms of aging has prompted some to reconceive lifespans as health spans. Geroscience also suggests the need to critically evaluate whether and to what extent we should think of anti-aging ventures as legitimate enterprises of health care. Normative roles played by aging in our personal and relational narratives, in our expectations about how duration and quality of life confer value to life, and in how life extension promotes or undermines our notions of wisdom and a good life are all at stake.

American Journal of Human Genetics

Sep 03, 2026 Volume 113 Issue 9 p1779-2022

<https://www.cell.com/ajhg/current>

This month in The Journal

Paul W. Hook, Alyson B. Barnes

In genomic medicine, continuously updated public archives of genetic variants linked to clinical phenotypes, such as ClinVar and the Matchmaker Exchange, are essential for variant interpretation, patient diagnosis, and treatment. This form of data sharing typically does not require explicit patient consent, especially for de-identified variant-level data, but because there are no standard data sharing guidelines, clinicians, laboratories, and patients are often left uncertain about the practical boundaries and the rationale.

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Infection Control

October 2026 Volume 54 Issue 10 p1045-1142

<http://www.ajicjournal.org/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

September 2026 Volume 71 Issue 3

<https://www.ajpmonline.org/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

October 2026 116(10)

<http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 115 (2026): Issue 2 (Aug 2026)

<https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/115/2/tpmd.115.issue-2.xml>

[Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

September 2026 Volume 179, Issue 9

<https://www.acpjournals.org/toc/aim/current>

[New issue; No relevant content identified]

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 358 September 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/358/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

<http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Health Services Research

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmchealthservres/content>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026]

[**Low compliance rate to hepatitis B vaccination and post-vaccination guidelines amidst high incidence of needlestick injuries among healthcare workers in Ashanti region, Ghana: a cross-sectional study**](#)

Michael Agyemang Obeng, Daniel Kobina Okwan, De-Graft Kwaku Ofori Boateng

Research Open access 23 September 2026

BMC Infectious Diseases

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcinfectdis/content>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medical Ethics

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmedethics/content>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medicine

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

[**Assessing residual bias in real-world vaccine effectiveness studies: validating negative controls to avoid misleading results**](#)

Bingyu Zhang, Qiong Wu, Yong Chen

Research Open access 26 September 2026

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

<http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

[**Prevalence and determinants of human papillomavirus vaccine refusal among adolescent girls in Morocco: a cross-sectional study**](#)

Touria Essayagh, Meriem Essayagh, Sanah Essayagh

Research Open access 25 September 2026

BMC Research Notes

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content>

(Accessed 26 Sep 2026)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine

August 2026 - Volume 31 - 4

<https://ebm.bmj.com/content/31/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMJ Global Health

September 2026 - Volume 11 - 9

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/11/9>

[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists

DIGITAL MAGAZINE - July 2026

<https://thebulletin.org/magazine/2026-05/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 104, Number 9, September 2026, 585-

<https://www.who.int/publications/journals/bulletin>

Articles

[Reviewed earlier]

Cell

Sep 17, 2026 Volume 189 Issue 19 p5825-6208

<https://www.cell.com/cell/current>

Articles

Fifteen challenges for generative AI applications to cell biology

Leo Dupire, et al.

Summary

Generative AI (Gen-AI) has shown a remarkable impact in several biological research areas, from protein folding and *de novo* design to pathogenic mutation prediction. However, it remains unclear whether these molecular-level successes can translate to cellular and multicellular insights relevant to fields ranging from immunology to cancer and neurodegeneration. This arises from the intricate nature of the molecular mechanisms that determine cellular and organismal behavior, the lack of sufficient training data, and the multicellular nature of most pathophysiologic phenotypes. Novel Gen-AI frameworks are likely needed to integrate prior biological knowledge, such as molecular interaction networks, as well as guiding principles focusing the community's attention on solving biologically and translationally relevant problems. Drawing inspiration from Hilbert's list of 23 mathematical problems that have focused the mathematical community's attention for more than a century, we propose fifteen grand AI challenges to focus the biomedical community's attention on critically relevant questions, most of which still lack effective predictive methodologies.

Featured Article

Why machines don't speak biology: Toward native biological language models

Yonatan Stelzer, Amos Tanay

Advances in AI have shown promise in protein structural information, but in this perspective, the authors argue that biology's true complexity—emergent, evolved, and irreducibly messy—demands more than bigger models or more data and that unlocking a genuine "biological" AI requires anchoring machine learning in canonical, process-based "world models," rather than chasing a universal theory built from parts alone.

Featured Article

Changing minds: How AI is transforming the life sciences

Daphne Koller, et al.

Artificial intelligence (AI) is changing the way biomedical research is conducted by making it possible to integrate diverse types of biological data and tackle questions that were previously difficult to address. At the same time, its growing use also raises important questions about data quality, reliability, interpretability, and how computational predictions should be combined with biological knowledge and experimental validation. In this Voices piece, researchers from diverse disciplines share their perspectives on how AI is advancing their respective fields and highlight both the transformative opportunities and the key challenges that will shape the future of the life sciences.

Cell and Gene Therapy Insights

February 2026 Issue, Volume 12 Issue 1

<https://www.insights.bio/cell-and-gene-therapy-insights/journal/283/volume-12-issue-1>

[Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 52, Issue 5 September 2026

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Volume 120, Issue 4 Pages: 817-1148 October 2026

<https://ascpt.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/15326535/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

September 2026 Volume 48 Issue 9 p809-920

<http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current>

Special Issue on "Cannabis Research and Policy: A Joint Exploration of Past and Future Therapeutic Agency - Part II"

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Trials

Volume 23 Issue 4, August 2026

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/CTJ/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health

<http://www.conflictandhealth.com/>

[Accessed 26 Sep 2026]

[No digest content identified]

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 169 October 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/169/suppl/C>

Clinical Trial Management and Optimization

[Reviewed earlier]

The CRISPR Journal

Volume 9 Issue 4, August 2026

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/tcja/9/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Genetic Medicine Reports

Volume 14, Issue 1 December 2026

<https://link.springer.com/journal/40142/volumes-and-issues/13-1>
[Reviewed earlier]

Current Medical Research and Opinion

Volume 42, Issue 6, 2026

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/icmo20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

October 2026 - Volume 39 - Issue 5

<https://journals.lww.com/co-infectiousdiseases/pages/currenttoc.aspx>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Protocols in Human Genetics

<https://currentprotocols.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/19348258>

[Accessed 26 Sep 2026]

[No new digest content identified]

Cytotherapy

September 2026 Volume 28 Issue 9

<https://www.isct-cytotherapy.org/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 26, Issue 3 Pages: 133-255 September 2026

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14718847/current>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Development in Practice

Volume 36, 2026 Issue 4

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/36/4?nav=tocList>

[Reviewed earlier]

Development Policy Review

Volume 44, Issue 5 September 2026

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677679/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 20 - 2026

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/disaster-medicine-and-public-health-preparedness/latest-issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

Disasters

Volume 50, Issue 4 October 2026

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677717/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

eBioMedicine

Volume 130 August 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/ebiomedicine/vol/130/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

Volume 27, Issue 17 September 2026

<https://link.springer.com/journal/44319/volumes-and-issues/27-17>

[Reviewed earlier]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 32, Number 9—September 2026

<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Epidemics

Volume 56 September 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/56/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 154 - 2026

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/epidemiology-and-infection/latest-issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & Human Research

Volume 48, Issue 4 Pages: 1-45 July–August 2026

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/25782363/current>

Organ-on-a-chip technology :: Consent and decisional incapacity

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & International Affairs

Volume 40 - Issue 1 - Spring 2026

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/ethics-and-international-affairs/latest-issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics, Medicine and Public Health

Volume 33 2025

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/ethics-medicine-and-public-health/vol/33/suppl/Cc>
[Reviewed earlier]

The European Journal of Public Health

Volume 36, Issue 4, August 2026

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/36/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Expert Review of Vaccines

Volume 25, 2026 Issue 1

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/ierv20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Foreign Affairs

September/October 2026 Volume 105, Number 5

<https://www.foreignaffairs.com/issues/2026/105/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

Forum for Development Studies

Volume 53, 2026 - Issue 1

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/sfds20/current>

The Rebirth of the Global South: Geopolitics, Imageries, and Developmental Realities

[Reviewed earlier]

Frontiers in Genetics

<https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/genetics>

[Accessed 26 Sep 2026]

Original Research Accepted on 25 Sep 2026

[Editorial: Advanced Genetic and Genomic Methods and Applications for Malaria Surveillance](#)

Shazia Ruybal-Pesántez, Johanna Helena Kattenberg, Anita Ghansah, Sarah Auburn

Review Published on 24 Sep 2026

[Artificial intelligence for precision gene therapy: emerging technologies, clinical applications, and future directions](#)

Govinder Flora, Abhinay Thakur

Frontiers in Genome Editing

<https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/genome-editing>

[Accessed 26 Sep 2026]

[No new digest content identified]

Frontiers in Medicine

<https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/medicine/volumes?volume-id=1657>

Accessed 26 Sep 2026]

[No new digest content identified]

Gene Therapy – Nature

Volume 33 Issue 5, September 2026

<https://www.nature.com/gt/volumes/33/issues/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

Genetics in Medicines

Volume 28, Issue 8 August 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/genetics-in-medicine/vol/28/issue/8>

[Reviewed earlier]

Genome Medicine

<https://genomemedicine.biomedcentral.com/articles>

[Accessed 26 Sep 2026]

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Global Health Action

Volume 19, Issue 1 (2026)

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/zgha20/current?nav=tocList>

[Reviewed earlier]

Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

August 2026

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/search/?term=%22Glob%20Health%20Sci%20Pract%22%5Bjournal%5D>

[Reviewed earlier]

Global Legal Monitor & Legal Reports – Library of Congress/USA

<https://www.loc.gov/collections/global-legal-monitor/>

https://www.loc.gov/books/?q=legal+reports&fa=partof%3Alegal+reports+%28publications+of+the+law+library+of+congress%29&sb=date_desc

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Global Public Health

Volume 21, Issue 1 (2026)

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rgph20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Globalization and Health

<http://www.globalizationandhealth.com/>

[Accessed 26 Sep 2026]

[Springer-Nature site down at inquiry]

Health and Human Rights

Volume 28, Issue 2, June 2026

<https://www.hhrjournal.org/volume-28-issue-1-june-2026/>

Special Section: Children's Right to Health

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Economics, Policy and Law

Volume 21 - Issue 3 - July 2026

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/health-economics-policy-and-law/latest-issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Policy and Planning

Volume 41, Issue 7, August 2026

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/41/7>

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Research Policy and Systems

<http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content>

[Accessed 26 Sep 2026]

[No new digest content identified]

Human Gene Therapy

Volume 37 Issue 17-18, September 2026

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/hgta/37/17-18>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Humanitarian Practice Network

<https://odihpn.org/>

[Accessed 26 Sep 2026]

[No new digest content identified]

Immunity

Sep 08, 2026 Volume 59 Issue 9 p2351-2600

<https://www.cell.com/immunity/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Infectious Agents and Cancer

<http://www.infectagentscancer.com/>

[Accessed 26 Sep 2026]

[**HPV knowledge, awareness, and vaccine beliefs among women attending gynecological care in Türkiye: implications for cervical cancer prevention**](#)

Figen Efe Camili, Sevde Aksu

Research Open access 25 September 2026

Infectious Diseases of Poverty

<http://www.idpjournal.com/content>

Latest articles

[No new digest content identified]

International Health

Volume 18, Issue 5, September 2026

<https://academic.oup.com/inthealth/issue/18/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Human Rights Law Review

Volume 15 (2026): Issue 1 (Jun 2026)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/hrlr/hrlr-overview.xml>

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Editorial

[Getting ready for the next pandemic](#)

The Lancet

The tragic death, disability, and chaos wrought by the COVID-19 are fading from collective memory. The pandemic created a global health crisis that led to more than 7 million reported deaths, an estimated 28 million excess deaths, and profound health, economic, and social disruption. It exposed

critical failures in pandemic preparedness and weaknesses in social and health systems. Yet even though the risk of pandemics is growing, the world has failed to be ready for the next one. On Sept 21, a new Lancet Commission report is published, The National University of Singapore (NUS)–Lancet Pandemic Readiness through Institutions, Mobilising Communities, and Equity (PRIME) Commission. Launched alongside the 81st UN General Assembly and in advance of the UN High-level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response, the report aims to redefine how health can be protected before, during, and after a pandemic.

The central tenet of the PRIME Commission is people-centred protection, based around asking what people and communities need and acting accordingly, giving people the capabilities to protect themselves, access care, sustain wellbeing and livelihoods, participate in decisions, and recover after a crisis. There are several key messages. First, the world must move away from traditional technical preparedness (tabletop exercises, surveillance and laboratory strengthening, stockpiling personal protective equipment, and vaccine development and manufacturing) towards a broader goal of readiness, which includes planning for social protection, financing, legal requirements, education, labour, food systems, and environmental governance.

Second, cooperation between governments is essential to saving millions of lives. In modelling a hypothetical novel influenza A pandemic, the Commissioners compared how power and national interest drive response and mortality. They found that an equitable approach to public health needs-based vaccine allocation could reduce global mortality by 64% to 21·2 million deaths, equivalent to 37·3 million deaths averted.

Third, attention should focus on fixing vulnerable systems, not “vulnerable people”. It is the inequitable policies and actions of institutions, laws, markets, and governance that constrain people's capacities. Fourth, trust is built over time, not only through communication, but also through institutional legitimacy, effective leadership, and reliable services. These principles form the basis of an improved and more equitable approach to pandemics and health.

There has been no shortage of post-COVID-19 inquiries and reforms aimed to better prepare for the next pandemic. The International Health Regulations were revised while disagreements still continue about the WHO Pandemic Agreement. This year's UN General Assembly will review whether progress has been made towards the 2023 UN Political Declaration on Pandemics, in which countries pledge to “implement coherent and robust national, regional and global actions, driven by science and the need to prioritize equity and the respect for human rights to strengthen pandemic prevention, preparedness and response, and fully address the direct and indirect consequences of future pandemics”.

The High-level Meeting promises to introduce yet another new political declaration, in which (according to a draft obtained by Health Policy Watch) countries “restate our commitment to scale up, promote and strengthen pandemic prevention, preparedness and response and to translate political commitment into concrete, measurable and urgent action”. The text is full of language on multisectorial approaches, cooperation, communities, and mobilising resources, but is weak on concrete commitments. How can “equity” and “human rights” be advanced without specifics on how these principles could be meaningfully achieved and assessed effectively, particularly amid the continued erosion of Official Development Assistance for Health and the weakening of WHO?

The NUS–Lancet PRIME Commission will not stop with the publication of this report. It will pilot and evaluate its approach in select countries. The Commission's future also offers an opportunity to begin forming a better accountability process to help move beyond the impasse of failed treaties and toothless declarations. Every person deserves to be protected from avoidable hardship and ill health. When the next pandemic comes, we must be able to say that we have done everything possible to be ready.

The Lancet Commissions

The NUS–Lancet PRIME Commission: transforming pandemic readiness for equity

Sara Calderón-Larrañaga, et al.

Positioning statement

The National University of Singapore (NUS)–Lancet Pandemic Readiness through Institutions, Mobilising Communities, and Equity (PRIME) Commission redefines pandemic readiness and offers a practical blueprint for whole-of-society pandemic planning and implementation. Drawing on the hard lessons of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Commission brings together evidence from 20 countries, including interviews with members of diverse communities and groups, future scenarios, and epidemiological modelling. By integrating lived experience with systems analysis and forward-looking evidence, the Commission sets out how governments, institutions, and communities can move from formal plans to people-centred protection across all stages of a health crisis.

PRIME turns the often-invoked whole-of-society idea into a structured framework for action across sectors and levels of governance. Applying PRIME's recommendations has the potential not only to save lives, but also to strengthen institutions and community trust for future health emergencies and other 21st-century crises.

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Editorial

Science still has expertise; what it's lost is authority

BY H. Holden Thorp 24 Sep 2026

In the years since the pandemic and the political turmoil surrounding the American scientific establishment, much time has been spent discussing why science has lost influence on public policy in the United States. A time when scientific advice about vaccination, nutrition, and environmental regulation was more readily heeded seems a distant memory. Scientific expertise has been decoupled from a sense of authority and standing to dictate policy on matters ranging from public health to climate change. The explanations for this separation include the rise of technologies like the internet and artificial intelligence, mistakes made by scientists and scientific institutions, and weaponization of anti-science ideas by political actors. But what if there's a larger historical trend that suggests the

disconnect between expertise and authority was inevitable? A new idea in philosophy called the “unicontext” suggests that the advance of technology, along with basic human desires, has been leading to this point for the past century.

Agnes Callard is a philosopher at the University of Chicago who mostly studies Plato and Aristotle. She suggests that when modern transportation began moving people beyond their place of birth, humanity went from living within multiple contexts—home, village, place of worship, workplace—each with its own set of norms and rules for social conduct, to a “unicontext,” where the ways one should act become the same across different contexts. Although it was once unthinkable to behave in a church in the same manner as at a local bar, it is now harder to maintain such boundaries as humanity shares a massive digital space with no clear social barriers. With the rise of the unicontext, humans can be “present” all over the world at once. People become aware of a wider range of situations, offering everyone the possibility of greater recognition and different choices about life that weren’t apparent before. Against this background of unicontext, negative ideas that can be framed more easily without context, such as fear and criticism, have swamped out positive ideas that require understanding the circumstances. Indeed, scientists have long recognized negativity bias as an innate psychological tendency—an inclination that works well in a unicontext world.

When I spoke to Callard about her idea, we discussed its implications for science. “What the unicontext makes possible,” she said, “is for us to see...what a big distance there is between expertise and authority.”

Science has always had qualifying conditions—findings that come with caveats about the quality of evidence, the inevitability of revisions when better evidence arises, and the possibility of human errors. Context provided by academic credentials and institutional authority still lend credence to scientific expertise, but these conditions no longer carry the power to persuade or mandate guidelines and policies that direct a society. This is not because of a decline in the quality of scientific expertise but rather an erosion of the ability to translate that expertise into widespread collective behavior.

Callard’s idea leads to the rather daunting conclusion that maybe expertise and authority will never be reunited. It’s hard to see how the conditions that have created the unicontext will reverse themselves. Can this be seen as anything but alarming? Or could it actually be liberating? Instead of fretting over the erosion of an amorphous concept of “trust in science” that blends expertise and authority, the right thing to focus on is how scientific expertise is alive and well, even if it no longer carries the persuasive authority it once had.

Science can no longer rely on the context of its institutional status as a means of influence. In the unicontext, scientists are evaluated in the same universal room as politicians, activists, and corporations, pervaded by negativity. But science as humanity’s best means of inquiry and understanding is undiminished. The better way forward is to cultivate public confidence in scientific expertise the old-fashioned way—by making promises and keeping them, being humble about what science can and cannot explain, admitting when science makes mistakes, and relentlessly striving to make sure the scientific record is reliable and well-established. Callard’s hypothesis suggests that these measures are unlikely to restore scientific authority. Whether that happens will be decided not by scientists alone but by the collective citizens of the unicontext.

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Protecting the Client in US Global Health Agreements

Charles Kenny

September 23, 2026

Common humanity demands that no one should die of easily preventable conditions, even in the poorest countries and even when local governments are unable to meet needs. The US has played the lead role in a global humanitarian effort responding to that demand, especially with regard to HIV, malaria, and nutrition, alongside maternal and child health. Reforms to US foreign assistance can both honor the compassionate imperative while also improving efficiency, country leadership, and a transition to country financing. But to do so, those reforms must account for the differing capacities of the countries that are part of the process, and design responses appropriately. The rollout of the new Global Health Strategy should be adjusted accordingly. This note outlines the core components of the Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) that cut against US goals for global health spending and concludes with recommendations for updated approaches: limiting results-based payments to improvement, using fewer indicators, preserving legacy backstops until new systems are operational, guaranteeing a service floor, and, where necessary, continuing support well beyond five years.

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The TESEO trial shows that benznidazole taken once a day for 30 days is as effective as the 60-day standard treatment and causes fewer side effects

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WMA - Declaration of Taipei Revision Launched [Ongoing]

...The Declaration of Taipei tries to achieve a balance between the rights of individuals giving their tissue or data for research and other purposes based on confidentiality and privacy rules while at the same time recognising that health data has become a very powerful tool for increasing knowledge.

In analysing the scenarios that already exist for the use (and misuse) of health data and biobanks, we came to the conclusion that the major risk scenarios may not result from science, but from the commercial, administrative or political use of such data. Limiting our guidelines to research only would have left us blind to the imminent risk of abuse from outside the field of medicine: commercialization, cost-cutting and potential political abuse.

Therefore, in contrast to the Declaration of Helsinki, this policy aims to address any use of health databases and biobanks excluding individual treatment and is not restricted to research. As physicians are the primary custodians of confidential health information, they feel an obligation towards their patients and other persons who entrust them with their data and specimens...

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