

# International Networks for Young Public Health Professionals

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## GLOBAL NETWORKS



WFPHA is the only worldwide professional society representing and serving the broad field of public health internationally to make a difference in the health of the people in today's globalised world. We represent over 5 million public health professionals worldwide. The purpose of the Young WFPHA Working Group is to represent the interests of students and young professionals within the WFPHA.

[Young WFPHA website](#) | [Instagram](#) | [Young WFPHA sign up form](#) | [Linkedin](#)

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Below are various relevant WHO organisations, all of which present interesting opportunities for young public health professionals.

[WHO - Youth Council](#)

[WHO - Interns Board](#)

[WHO - GHWN Youth Hub](#)

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The Junior Doctors Network (JDN) serves as an international platform for junior doctors to facilitate an open dialogue of global events and activities that are relevant to their postgraduate training and the World Medical Association (WMA). It was approved by the WMA at the 61st WMA General Assembly (October 2010) in Vancouver, Canada.

[World Medical Assembly - Junior Doctors Network](#)

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Youth Health Organization is one of the leading organizations that empowers young people to work on Youth Health. We teach, train, connect and financially support youth from different backgrounds to actively participate in prevention programmes, research, policy and leadership on Youth Health.

[Youth Health Organization](#)

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YOUNGO is the official children and youth constituency of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC, <https://unfccc.int/>). YOUNGO is a vibrant, global network of children and youth activists (up to 35 years) as well as youth NGOs, who contribute to shaping the intergovernmental climate change policies and strive to empower youth to formally bring their voices to the UNFCCC processes.

[YOUNGO](#)

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The World Health Summit is the unique international strategic forum for global health. Held annually in Berlin, it brings together stakeholders from politics, science, the private sector, and civil society from around the world to set the agenda for a healthier future by inspiring innovative solutions for better health and well-being for all.

[World Health Summit Foundation and Young Physician Leaders programme](#)

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The International Hospital Federation provide a platform for knowledge exchange and networking with different actors in the health sector. Motivated by a shared commitment to well-managed hospitals, our members act together to improve the standard, quality, and level of healthcare service delivery.

[International Hospital Federation](#)

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## **Students' Associations**



The International Federation of Medical Students Associations (IFMSA), founded in 1951, is one of the world's oldest and largest student-run organisations. It represents, connects and engages every day with an inspiring and engaging network of 1.3 million medical students from 139 NMOs in 130 countries around the globe.

[International Federation of Medical Students' Association \(IFMSA\)](#)

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IPSF is the leading international advocacy organisation for pharmacy and pharmaceutical science students and recent graduates, promoting improved public health through the provision of information, education, networking and a range of publications and professional initiatives

[International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation \(IPSF\)](#)

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[International Veterinary Students' Association \(IVSA\)](#)

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The International Student One Health Alliance (ISOHA) serves as an umbrella for International and National student organizations, One Health Clubs, BSc, MSc and PhD students and provides education and opportunities related to One Health, through partnerships and collaborative projects.

[International Student One Health Alliance \(ISOHA\)](#)

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The International Association for Political Science Students (IAPSS) is a platform for political science students and students interested in political science issues. The association is international, politically independent, non-profit, and student-run, and aims to have a global impact in the political science sphere.

[International Association for Political Science Students \(IAPSS\)](#)



Universities Allied for Essential Medicines (UAEM) is a global network of university students who believe that our universities have an opportunity and a responsibility to improve global access to public health and life-saving medicines, especially those developed on our campuses.

[Universities Allied for Essential Medicines](#)

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## REGIONAL NETWORKS

### European Region



Kickstarted in 2021, Youth4Health is the special initiative of the WHO Regional Director for Europe, Dr Hans Henri P Kluge. It aims to amplify and embed youth voices and perspectives into all areas of the WHO Regional Office for Europe's work.

### [WHO Europe - Youth 4 Health Network](#)



ASPHER focuses on advancing public health education and training, maintaining dedicated networks for young professionals, and actively encourages their involvement in various activities.

### [ASPHER](#)



EUPHA annually orchestrates the European Public Health Conference, dedicated to fostering networks within the field across Europe. Additionally, EUPHANxt serves as the student/young professional group affiliated with the organization

### [EuphaNxt](#)

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EuroNet MRPH stands for **European Network of Medical Residents in Public Health**, and constitutes a network of European National associations of Public Health training programs, including medical and non-medical residents. EuroNet MRPH aims to create a professional network among European residents in Public Health in order to share information on educational programs, to facilitate exchange and common activities, as well as to develop a body of scientific research.

<https://euronetmrph.org/>

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The European Health Management Association (EHMA) focuses on health management capacity and capabilities and supports the successful implementation of health policy and practice. They have a student placement programme.

<https://ehma.org/>

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The European Public Health Alliance (EPHA) is an international not-for-profit association established in Belgium in 1993. Their mission is to advocate for the protection and improvement of public health in Europe, both via health policies and across all other relevant policy areas that have an impact on health.

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The European Medical Students' Association – Association Européenne des Étudiants en Médecine (EMSA) is a non-profit, non-governmental organisation representing medical students from all across Europe. Founded 1990 in Brussels, it is the only voice of students within the European Medical Organisations.

[European Medical Students' Association \(EMSA\)](#)

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## **American Region**



The Health Equity Network of the Americas (HENA) is a multidisciplinary platform for research, teaching, and social action, based in the University of Costa Rica since 2020; with a wide range of multilevel strategic visions and policies for knowledge management, exchange, and dissemination, and which, as part of its management model, focuses on the promotion of young professionals and researchers in the Region of the Americas.

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The American Public Health Association (APHA) champions the health of all people and all communities. The APHA only organization that combines a 150-year perspective, a broad-based member community and the ability to influence policy to improve the public's health.

[American Public Health Association \(APHA\)](#)

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The Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASPPH) is the voice of accredited academic public health, representing schools and programs accredited by the Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH). Our mission is to advance academic public health by mobilizing the collective power of our members to drive excellence and innovation in education, research, and practice. Our members are CEPH-accredited schools and programs of public health as well as schools and programs in applicant status for CEPH-accreditation.

[Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health \(ASPPH\)](#)



La Alianza Latinoamericana de Salud Global “ALASAG” constitutes the initiative of a group of Latin American academic institutions with a rich tradition and leadership in public health in the region, which emerged in 2010 on the occasion of the 1st Latin American Congress of Global Health.

The purpose of ALASAG is to provide a response to the various challenges posed by globalization to the health of populations, especially the most vulnerable ones, with its own identity that prioritizes overcoming inequalities and inequities, the recognition of our national identities, and a deep respect for the idiosyncrasy and identity of our peoples, including positioning in various global forums.

[ALASAG](#)

## **Eastern-Mediterranean Region**



In 2009, the Eastern Mediterranean Public Health Network (EMPHNET) was established to be an umbrella organization for field epidemiology training programs (FETPs) in the Eastern Mediterranean Region (EMR) with the purpose of connecting and supporting the region's FETPs whose epidemiological capacities prove essential, especially in the context of the EMR's complex public health profile. In 2015, EMPHNET launched the Global Health Development (GHD) initiative to meet the growing needs and requests coming from EMR countries as a means for leveraging health outcomes.

### [Eastern Mediterranean Public Health Network \(EMPHNET\)](#)

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The Arab Public Health Association (The Association) aims to promote and protect the health of people in the Arab world and make strides toward healthy communities across all Arab countries.

### [Arab World Public Health Association](#)

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## **Western-Pacific Region**



The vision of the Asia-Pacific Academic Consortium for Public Health (APACPH) is to promote the translation of Public Health education and research into evidence-based policies and programs to improve the health and well-being of populations in the Asia-Pacific Region.

The Mission of APACPH is to provide thought leadership in the translation of Public Health through education, research and collaboration with public stakeholders.

[Asia-Pacific Academic Consortium for Public Health \(APACPH\)](#)

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## South-East Asia Region



## South-East Asia Public Health Education Institutions Network (SEAPHEIN)

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## **African Region**



# **ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN AFRICA (ASPCHA)**

The Association of Schools of Public Health in Africa (ASPCHA) will serve the collective needs of the member institutions in the education and training of public health professionals by building their capacity to maximize and excel in academic training and advocacy, and in the process serve to provide a strong unified voice for promoting public health in Africa.

[Association of Schools of Public Health in Africa](#)