

High-Level Consultative Group on the Health Workforce

The first meeting of the High-Level Consultative Group on the Health Workforce (HLCG-HWF) of the WHO Africa Region was launched on 27-29 November 2019 in Kigali, Rwanda.

The HLCG-HWF met face-to-face for the first time. The meeting was intended to focus on clarifying the role of the HLCG-HWF, advise on some of the immediate priorities of the Region and develop an action plan. The group will work using virtual meeting options more frequently and use the face to face once a year or so.

The general objective was to orient the Group members on their role and come up with a work plan on selected priorities. Specific objectives and expected results were to update the HLCG-HWF on the latest global and regional developments on the HWF

and broader HSS context, agree on the modus operandi of the HLCG-HWF and elect the Chair and Deputy Chair of the HLCG-HWF, propose a work plan for the HLCG-HWF for the next two years and a resource mobilisation strategy for the Region's HWF agenda. T

he group will also make recommendations on some specific/selected areas of immediate priorities in HWF to AFRO including the International year of the nurse and midwife 2020 activities.

Some 15 experts were appointed as advisors who constitute the HLCG-HWF from the governments and other institutions of the WHO Africa Region and the Secretariat is the WHO Regional Office in Brazzaville, Congo Republic. Dr Delanyo Dovlo from Ghana and President of the African Platform on

HRH was elected as Chair and Professor Mary Atanga from Cameroon is the Vice Chair of the HLCG-HWF.

The key reference documents for the meeting were:

1. The Global Strategy on Human Resources for Health: Workforce 2030
1. The African regional framework for the implementation of the of the global strategy
2. Leave no one behind: Strengthening health systems for UHC and SDGs in Africa
3. Regional HRH roadmap 2012-2025
4. WHO Thirteenth General Programme of Work 2019-2023 (GPW13).

Workforce 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals

