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RESOLUTION

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PLAN OF ACTION FOR STRENGTHENING INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR HEALTH 2019-2023

THE 57th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having reviewed the *Plan of Action for Strengthening Information Systems for Health 2019-2023* (Document CD57/9, Rev. 1);

Having considered the need to support the Plan of Action for the Strengthening of Vital Statistics 2017-2022 and advance with the countries of the Caribbean, Central America, and South America in implementing the conclusions and recommendations of the three high-level meetings on information systems for health;

Bearing in mind that the Sustainable Health Agenda for the Americas 2018-2030 proposes a specific goal (Goal 6) aimed at “improving information systems for health (IS4H), which are essential in order to improve health policy and decision-making, as well as to measure and monitor health inequalities in the population and progress toward the achievement of universal access to health and universal health coverage”,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the *Plan of Action for Strengthening Information Systems for Health 2019-2023* (Document CD57/9, Rev. 1).
 2. To urge the Member States, considering their contexts, needs, vulnerabilities, and priorities, to:
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- a) promote implementation of the Plan of Action for Strengthening Information Systems for Health 2019-2023 to advance more effectively toward integrated and interoperable systems;
 - b) support implementation of the national and subnational initiatives spelled out in the plan in order to integrate data on populations in conditions of vulnerability into the health systems;
 - c) strengthen the technical capacity and competencies of health workers, especially in primary care, to improve data collection and data sharing for more informed decision-making based on the greatest possible evidence.
3. To request the Director to:
- a) provide technical support to the Member States to strengthen national capacity for the implementation of interconnected and interoperable information systems for health;
 - b) provide technical support to the Member States for standardized measurement of the maturity of information systems for health;
 - c) support technical teams in the development of countries' capacity to produce complete and up-to-date quality data and information and report regularly on progress in monitoring the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, health situation analysis, and scenario development.

(Fifth meeting, 2 October 2019)