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- WHO Regional Office for the Americas
  - [http://www.paho.org](http://www.paho.org) (Washington, DC, USA)

- WHO Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean
  - [http://www.emro.who.int](http://www.emro.who.int) (Cairo, Egypt)

- WHO Regional Office for Europe
  - [http://www.euro.who.int](http://www.euro.who.int) (Copenhagen, Denmark)

- WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia
  - [http://www.searo.who.int](http://www.searo.who.int) (New Delhi, India)

- WHO Regional Office for the Western Pacific
  - [http://www.wpro.who.int](http://www.wpro.who.int) (Manila, Philippines)
148 WHO Country Offices
WHO Main Public Web Page:

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Detailed Structure of WHO HQ

http://www.who.int/about/structure/who_structure_en.pdf
WHO is the directing and coordinating authority for health within the United Nations system. It is responsible for providing leadership on global health matters, shaping the health research agenda, setting norms and standards, articulating evidence-based policy options, providing technical support to countries and monitoring and assessing health trends.

In the 21st century, health is a shared responsibility, involving equitable access to essential care and collective defence against transnational threats.

World Health Assembly and Executive Board documentations (1998- present)
Publications

- online book sales catalogue
- note you can sign up for e-mail alerts from the Book Shop page
WHO publications online

Key WHO publications

The World Health Report
Annual report with an expert assessment of global health including statistics. Focuses on a particular theme every year.

World Health Statistics
WHO’s annual compilation of data from its 193 Member States.

International Travel and Health
Publication on health risks for international travellers, vaccination requirements and precautions to take.

International Health Regulations
Latest edition of the public health regulations that are legally binding on WHO Member States.

The International Classification of Diseases
The international standard diagnostic classification for epidemiological and health management purposes.

International Pharmacopoeia
Collection of quality specifications for pharmaceutical substances and dosage forms, for reference or adaptation by WHO Member States.

Journals

Bulletin of the World Health Organization
Monthly journal with peer-reviewed papers. Focus on developing countries.

Eastern Mediterranean Health Journal
Published by the WHO Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean. Focus on policies and research in the region.

Pan American Journal of Public Health
Published by the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) in English, Portuguese and Spanish. Contains technical and analytical papers.

Weekly Epidemiological Record
Epidemiological information on cases and outbreaks of communicable diseases.

Western Pacific Surveillance and Response
Published by the WHO Regional Office for the Western Pacific. Dedicated to the surveillance of and response to public health events.

WHO Drug Information
Quarterly journal on topics relating to medicines development and regulation.
WHO Collaborating Centres
http://whocc.who.int

Over 900 institutions...
...in almost 100 countries...
...supporting WHO programmes

The World Health Organization requires expert advice for overall scientific and technical guidance, as well as for

Eligibility and criteria for designation
An entire institution or, in most cases, a department, division or laboratory within an institution may be designated as a centre. Typical examples of WHO Collaborating Centres are departments of universities, laboratories or divisions of national research institutes, departments of hospitals, departments of ministries, national academies, etc.
WHO Collaborating Centres

services including promotive, preventive, curative and rehabilitative/compensation aspects.
5. To explore the burden of occupational and environmental disease, their social determinants and strategies for their prevention amongst vulnerable Southern Africa, with a view to advancing equity in health
6. To foster inter-institutional research, teaching and service (including outreach)
7. To foster local and global networks for occupational and environmental health promotion through collaboration with United Nations and other agencies
8. To implement the results of research in teaching, training, policy, service provision and outreach

Subjects:
1. Occupational health

Types of activity:
1. Implementation of WHO programmes and activities at country level
2. Research

WHO organization wide expected result:
8.3: Technical assistance and support provided to Member States for strengthening national occupational and environmental health risk management, functions and services.

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Link to eWork

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http://www.coehr.uct.ac.za
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Library & Information Networks for Knowledge

The WHO Library and Information Networks for Knowledge (LNK) provides comprehensive library and information services on WHO-produced recorded information in print and other media. In addition, library services give access to worldwide health, medical and development information resources to WHO headquarters, regions and country offices, ministries of health and other government offices, health workers in Member States, other UN and international agencies, diplomatic missions, and inter-governmental agencies. The WHO library programmes help regions and developing countries achieve self-sufficiency in providing information services to the health sector.

Library products and services

Reference librarians will provide orientation to the collections and information about how to use the library and its information resources.

The WHO library web site offers world-wide on-line access to WHOLIS the WHO library database which includes more than 70,000 bibliographic records and 30,000 links to full text documents.

WHOLIS is the first point of enquiry to find out about WHO documentation in general or on a particular subject. Workstations in the library give visitors access to the WHO web site, to WHOLIS, and to relational health-related and development internet resources.

» About the Library

**Projects**

**INFODIGEST**

» Accéder à tous les numéros de l’Infodigest

**BIBLIOTHEQUE BLEUE**
La Bibliothèque bleue est une collection qui a été mise au point par la
Historical Collection

1. Background
2. Disease classifications and nomenclature documents
3. History of international health organizations documents
4. History of WHO documents
5. League of Nations malaria documents
6. Rare books on plague, smallpox, and epidemiology
Historical Research
WHO Library and WHO Archives

Archives of WHO

FOR HISTORICAL RESEARCH

Where to look?
Distinction between the library collections, the archives and current records.

Research subjects
Thematic research linked to archival fonds and collections.

Library
Link to the WHO Library and Information Networks for Knowledge.

GENERAL WHO INFORMATION

Media centre
News, events, fact sheets, multimedia and
WHOLIS is the World Health Organization’s library database. WHOLIS indexes all WHO publications from 1948 onwards and articles from WHO-produced journals and technical documents from 1986 to the present. An on-site card catalogue, organized by subject headings, provides access to the pre-1986 technical documents.

Thousands of WHO publications and technical documents in digital format are already available online through WHOLIS. This number will increase as access to WHO materials in all available languages improves with the upcoming implementation of the Institutional Repository for Information Sharing (IRIS).

IRIS will provide WHO’s information products in digital format from a single location (URL) with a multilingual interface. Its content will be freely accessible and searchable initially in the six official languages.

- Access WHOLIS
- WHOLIS online tutorial
- Access IRIS demo site
WHO Library Database (WHOLIS)

- WHO collective memory, provides 100,000 bibliographic records
  - WHO publications 1948–
  - articles in WHO periodicals
  - articles in outside periodicals on WHO work
  - technical documents (unrestricted) 1986–
  - governing body documents
  - press and audiovisual materials
  - historical materials
WHO Library Database (WHOLIS)

WHO document dissemination, provides 45,000 full-text links to:

- technical documents (unrestricted), headquarters and regional offices, 1986–
- *Weekly Epidemiological Record*, 1926–
- press materials
- WHO out-of-print publications (in process)
- historical resources

[http://www.who.int/library](http://www.who.int/library)
HIV/AIDS - stand up for human rights
World Health Organization. Dept. of Ethics and Health.

ISBN: 9241591145
NLIN call number: WC 503.7 2003HI
Title: HIV/AIDS - stand up for human rights.
Title translation: VIH/SIDA : défendre les droits humains.


Language version: eng fre spa (in press)
Language version: tha (Online)

Subject: HIV infections - psychology.
Subject: Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome - psychology.
Subject: Prejudice.
Subject: Human rights.
Subject: Popular works.
Subject: Cartoons.

Broad heading: AIDS and its Control.
Corporate author: UNAIDS.
# 2 Publications as Expert Source

HIV/AIDS - stand up for human rights

World Health Organization, Dept. of Ethics

Publisher: World Health Organization,
Pub Date: 2003,
Pages: 16 p.,
ISBN: 9241591145
Copy Info: 3 copies available at HQ,
3 copies total in all locations.
A Look Inside: Full Text Link

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WHOLIS (Library Database)

- Access to WHO documents in full text
- Other languages (full text)
- Historical (online back to 1577)
- Persistent / Permanent URLs
- Easier to download versions (covers removed)
- Expertise in WHO staff
- Most complete listing of WHO documents and publications
This site is under construction

Welcome to IRIS

WHO's Institutional Repository for Information Sharing. This site and collections are under construction.

Search

Enter some text in the box below to search WHO IRIS.

Communities in WHO IRIS

Choose a community to browse its collections.

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WHO Library & Information Networks for Knowledge
"world health organization" [AD] AND "keyword"
WHO Regional Databases (open access)

- Journal indexes of locally produced information
- Complement the internationally known bibliographic databases
- Higher relevance for other developing countries
- South – South information sharing
- Important for systematic reviews
- Access to some developing country health journals and other documents in full text format.
Developing Country Health Databases
(http://www.who.int/library/country/regional/index.en.shtml)

- Africa
  http://indexmedicus.afro.who.int/

- Latin America and the Caribbean
  http://bases.bvs.br/

- South-East Asia
  http://imsear.hellis.org/

- Eastern Mediterranean
  http://www.emro.who.int/HIS/VHSL/

- Western Pacific
  http://wprim.whocc.org.cn/
Les infarctus du myocarde thrombolisés : à propos de 36 cas au service de réanimation de l'hôpital Principal de Dakar

Université de Bamako, Faculté de Médecine de Pharmacie et d'Odonto-Stomatologie

Author(s): Nongo, P.Y.

Date of publication: 2005

Physical description: 171 p., tab.

Language: French

Descriptor: Infarctus du myocarde-étiologie; Infarctus du myocarde-pathologie; Infarctus du myocarde-thérapeutique; Thrombose

Descriptor-Geographic: Sénégal

Electronic Access: Full Text-1
New **Global Index Medicus** – 2010

- This option recovers words of the title of the article, words of the abstract, name of substances, name of people as subject, and subject descriptors.
- Language of the search:
  - for searches in words of the title and words of the abstract, uses preferentially the languages Portuguese, Spanish or English, since the majority of the articles LILACS are in an of these languages. Example: colgajos quirúrgicos or skin flaps
Online journals and sources of free journals on the Internet

- **Free medical journals web site**
  http://www.freemedicaljournals.com

- **PubMed Central**
  http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov

- **Highwire archives**
  http://highwire.stanford.edu/lists/freeartl.dtl

- **Scielo**
  http://www.scielo.org

- **Geneva Foundation for Medical Education and Research**
  http://www.gfmer.ch/Medical_journals/Free_medical.php
Biomedical portals: English language

- WHO Health Topics
  http://www.who.int/topics/en/

- Health Australia
  http://www.aihw.gov.au

- Canadian Health Network

- United Kingdom guide to Internet resources in health and medicine
  http://www.nelh.nhs.uk/

- United States National Library of Medicine: MedlinePlus
  http://medlineplus.gov
WHO supporting access to Health Information

- HINARI
- Support to AGORA \ OARE
- Bibliothèque bleue
- Reproductive Health Library
- Blue Trunk Library
- Mini Library (Arabic)
- Biblioteca azul
- eGranary
- Global Health Library
WHO Reproductive Health Library (RHL) "informing best practice in reproductive health"

- RHL is an electronic library developed 10 years ago in 1997 in the World Health Organization's programme to "Map Best Reproductive Health Practices" ([http://apps.who.int/rhl/en/](http://apps.who.int/rhl/en/)) - Free for developing countries via the Internet or on CDROM
  - a well-established resource enabling health care workers worldwide to keep up-to-date with the latest evidence in reproductive health and to view videos showing techniques in real life settings
  - the full contents of currently more than 134 of clinical decision-making systematic reviews mainly from the Cochrane Collaboration (well-known for its high standard and independence)
Blue Trunk Libraries

http://www.who.int/ghl/mobile_libraries/
2095 Trunks in over 84 countries
Identifying Experts in WHO

1. WHO Collaborating Centres database (http://whocc.who.int)

2. WHOLIS, WHO Authors, Responsible and Acknowledgement sections of full text WHO publications in WHOLIS (http://dosei.who.int)

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