

American Model United Nations World Health Assembly

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescent's

Health (2016-2030)

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Emphasizing the right of equitable healthcare to all persons including women, children and adolescents as outlined in documents such as the Convention on the Rights of the Child,

Acknowledging all previous resolutions from the Human Rights Council such as resolutions 38/5, 32/4 and 54/16,

Desiring staunch support and development around for the rights of women to seek and acquire healthcare.

Seeking greater availability of training and education for medical professionals by drawing attention to women, children and adolescents being the most vulnerable groups in healthcare,

Recognizing the vital need for easy access to medical care in marginalized or underserved communities,

Noting the world infertility rates stand at 17.5 percent,

Bearing in mind that over 390 million children worldwide are overweight, of which 160 million are obese and 2.5 billion adults are overweight, of which 890 million of which are obese;

Deeply disturbed by the fact that childbirth is one of the leading causes of death for young women between the ages of 15-19 in low-income countries as seen in the report by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

Regretting that miscarriage rates world wide are 10-15 percent, and stillbirths number 2 million worldwide,

- 1. *Urges* the United Nation Fund of Population Activities (UNFPA) to promote a culturally accurate curriculum in sexual education for young people that:
 - (a) Emphasizes the health risks associated with unprotected sex;
 - (b) Calls for the availability of products allowing for safe and protected sex;
- (c) *Promotes* the types of healthcare available regarding pregnancies, sexually transmitted diseases and reproductive health;
 - 2. Endorses the inclusion of an overall healthy lifestyle education that focuses on nutrition, exercise and identifying abusive relationships;
 - 3. Encourages the creation of safe spaces for those suffering from interpersonal or gender-based violence:
 - (a) Calls upon the United Nation Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) to ensure that women, adolescents and children have a safe place to report abuse;
 - (b) Further invites UNIFEM to educate those in vulnerable positions such as women, children, adolescents, or others that struggle with violent situations including but not limited to domestic abuse and sexual assault;
 - 4. Advocates for the expansion of UN Women to help the founding of clinic and outreach centers:

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- (a) Encourages the rehabilitation and support for victims of child marriage, female genital mutilation and all forms of violence against women or domestic abuse, including those that are seeking asylum;
 - (b) Strongly supports aiding woman seeking maternal, prenatal and neonatal care;
 - 5. Encourages the establishment of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) systems for regions that lack such institutions through the organization of the United Nations Health Emergencies Programme (UNHEP):
 - (a) Takes note of the resources required for the creation of new and bolstering of existing EMS systems which can be provided for by the UNHEP, such as transportation, tactical response bags, communication equipment, etc.;
 - (b) *Promotes* the inclusion of vulnerable populations in Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) training courses to generally spread awareness on response procedures and to inspire younger generations to pursue medical occupations;
 - 6. Suggests the training of EMTs, Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) and other entry level medical staff who often go on to be doctors and nurses, be done in union with existing and newly established medical centers;
- 7. *Promotes* the idea of having EMTs support the medical needs of understaffed clinics and centers during slow shifts;
- 8. *Invites* Member States to implement reward systems for active participation by EMTs in the supporting of understaffed clinics and centers.

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