

# INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE MIDWIFE 2020



## The voices of midwives during the COVID-19 pandemic



### Speakers

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The International Confederation of Midwives (ICM) President

Executive Director UNFPA

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Minister of Health, Tonga

WHO Chief Nursing Officer

WHO presentation on caring for women and newborns during the COVID-19 pandemic  
Hear the voices of midwifery leaders from around the world



### When

Tuesday, **5 May 2020** | 15:15 - 16:15 CEST



### Where

Zoom Webinar: <https://who.zoom.us/j/93563831809>

Password: **IDM@050520**

PART 1: Setting the scene (40 mins)		
15:15 (20 mins)	Welcome and opening	Facilitator, Ms Carey Kyer, WHO Communications Officer
	A "Thank You" to midwives	Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General
	Video message from HRH The Princess Royal	Patron of the Royal College of Midwives, UK
	<u>An interactive Q&amp;A session with WHO Director-General</u>	
	Celebrating midwives!	Ms Franka Cadee, ICM President
	Key issues for UNFPA	Dr Natalia Kanem, Executive Director UNFPA
	Key issues for UNICEF	Dr Henrietta Fore, Executive Director UNICEF
	Video message from Minister of Health, Tonga	Dr Amelia Afuha'amango, MoH Tonga
The importance of midwives during the COVID-19 pandemic	Ms Elizabeth Iro, WHO Chief Nursing Officer	
15:35 (10 mins)	WHO guidance on caring for women with COVID-19	Dr Anshu Banerjee / Ms Fran McConville, WHO MCA Department
	Midwives and the Global Hand Hygiene campaign in the COVID-19 pandemic	Dr Benedetta Allegranzi, WHO IHS Department
15:45 (10 mins)	<u>Voices from global midwife leaders</u>	
	Midwives realities in Sierra Leone	Ms Matron Fullah, Government Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officer
	Update from the Eastern Mediterranean Region	Dr Naeema Al-Gasseer, Senior Advisor to WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region
	Young Midwifery Leader, India	Ms Pragati Sharma, WHO India
Mr Howard Catton, ICN Chief Executive, and Partnership for Maternal and Newborn Health (PMNCH) Board Member Expressing solidarity of nurses with midwives		
PART 2: Voices from countries and regions (20 mins)		
15:55 (10 mins)	Midwives voices on the realities they face during the COVID-19 pandemic:	
	South-East Asia Region (SEARO)	Nepal
	Eastern Mediterranean Region (EMRO)	Dr Arwa Oweis
	African Region (AFRO)	Dr Harriet Chanza
	European Region (EURO)	Ms Barbara Stocker
	Region of the Americas (PAHO)	Dr Lorena Binfa
		WHO Regional Nursing and Midwifery Officer WHO Malawi President of the Swiss Midwives Association WHO Collaborating Centre, University of Chile
PART 3: Q&A		
16:05 (5 mins)	Facilitated Q&A: Ms Carey Kyer, WHO Communications Officer	
16:10	"CLAP for midwives" (1 min) Closing: Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General	