# INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE MIDWIFE 2020





# The voices of midwives during the COVID-19 pandemic



# **Speakers**

Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus WHO Director-General

HRH The Princess Royal Patron of the Royal College of Midwives (RCM)

Ms Franka Cadee The International Confideration of Midwives (ICM) President

Dr Natalia Kanem Executive Director UNFPA

Dr Henrietta Fore Executive Director UNICEF

Dr Amelia Afuha'amango Minister of Health, Tonga

Ms Elizabeth Iro 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: <a href="https://who.zoom.us/j/93563831809">https://who.zoom.us/j/93563831809</a>

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PART 1: Setting the scene (40 mins)			
	Welcome and opening		Facilitator, Ms Carey Kyer, WHO Communications Officer
	A "Thank You" to midwives		Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General
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15:15			
(20 mins)			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
	COVID-19 pandemic		Dr Anshu Banerjee / Ms Fran McConville, WHO MCA Department
15: 35 (10 mins)			Dr Benedetta Allegranzi, WHO IHS Department
15:45	Midwives realities in Sierra Leone		Ms Matron Fullah, Government Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officer
(10 mins)	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)			
	Midwives voices on the realities they face during the COVID-19 pandemic:		
15:55 (10 mins)	South-East Asia Region (SEARO) Eastern Mediterranean Region (EMRO) African Region (AFRO) European Region (EURO) Region of the Americas (PAHO)  Nepal Dr Arwa ( Dr Harrier Ms Barba Dr Lorena	t Chanza ra Stocker	WHO Regional Nursing and Midwifery Officer WHO Malawi President of the Swiss Midwives Association WHO Collaborating Centre, University of Chile
PART 3: Q&A			

Facilitated Q&A: Ms Carey Kyer, WHO Communications Officer

"CLAP for midwives" (1 min) Closing: Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General

16:05 (5 mins)

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