



Resolution

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Operationalization of the adolescent health component of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health, 2016–2030

The Regional Committee,

Having reviewed the technical paper on operationalization of the adolescent health component of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health (2016–2030)¹ for the Eastern Mediterranean Region;

Recalling resolutions WHA69.2 on committing to implementation of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health and EM/RC62/R.1 Annual report of the Regional Director for 2014;

Aware that the adolescents account for around a fifth of the population of the Region, that many adolescent diseases and injuries are preventable or treatable and that investments in adolescent health reduce present and future health costs and enhance social capital;

Recognizing the importance of operationalization of the adolescent health component of the Global Strategy for Women's Children's and Adolescents' Health (2016–2030) in the Eastern Mediterranean Region;

1. URGES Members States to:

- 1.1 Develop and/or update national adolescent health action plans using the Accelerated Action for Health of Adolescents implementation guidance taking into consideration the national context;
- 1.2 Develop an integrated comprehensive approach in planning, monitoring and evaluating adolescent health interventions;
- 1.3 Build on existing delivery platforms, such as school health programmes, to deliver comprehensive child and adolescent health and development services;

¹ EM/RC64/5

2. **REQUESTS** the Regional Director to provide technical support to Member States in the development and implementation of national adolescent health policies, strategies and plans, applying the Accelerated Action for Health of Adolescents implementation guidance.