Symposium to Address Global Health Workforce Accreditation and Regulation Issues

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**WHAT:** Global Symposium on Health Workforce Accreditation and Regulation

**WHO:** Co-organized by The World Health Organization (WHO), the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (ECFMG®), and the Global Health Workforce Network (GHWN)

**WHERE:** Istanbul, Turkey

**WHEN:** December 10-12, 2019

**WHY:** Quality and sustainability of the health workforce are essential to achieving many of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals. The 2019 Global Symposium on Health Workforce Accreditation and Regulation will advance workforce quality and sustainability by addressing the accreditation of health worker education institutions and the regulation of health workers, areas of focus for the ECFMG and WHO. The Symposium will provide a comprehensive review of accreditation and regulatory issues, including policies and implementation strategies, with a focus toward achieving Universal Health Coverage, as emphasized in the WHO's 13th Global Programme of Work and the 2018 G20 Health Ministers Statement.

The 2019 Global Symposium will gather leading experts from national governments, intergovernmental organizations, health professional associations, health professional accreditation and regulatory bodies, and civil society. The Symposium will serve to promote mechanisms to expand the global health workforce and to optimize its performance, quality, and distribution, through strengthened accreditation and regulatory policies and intersectoral cooperation.

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