

What the WHO?

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Who is Stand for Health Freedom?

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- Created in 2019.
- National grassroots advocacy organization with a single-issue focus on health freedom through informed consent, parental rights, religious freedom, privacy, and free speech.
- Nationwide: **650,000** advocate voting bloc.

Status as of 5-13-2024

- **Vote is still on for treaty and IHR Amendments at 77th WHA starting May 27, 2024.**
 - **That vote is widely considered illegal.**
- **15 U.S. states proposed 23 bills or resolutions against the WHO; 4 adopted/passed so far.**
- **22 state Attorneys General wrote a letter in opposition.**
- **All 49 republican senators sent a letter to the White House in opposition.**

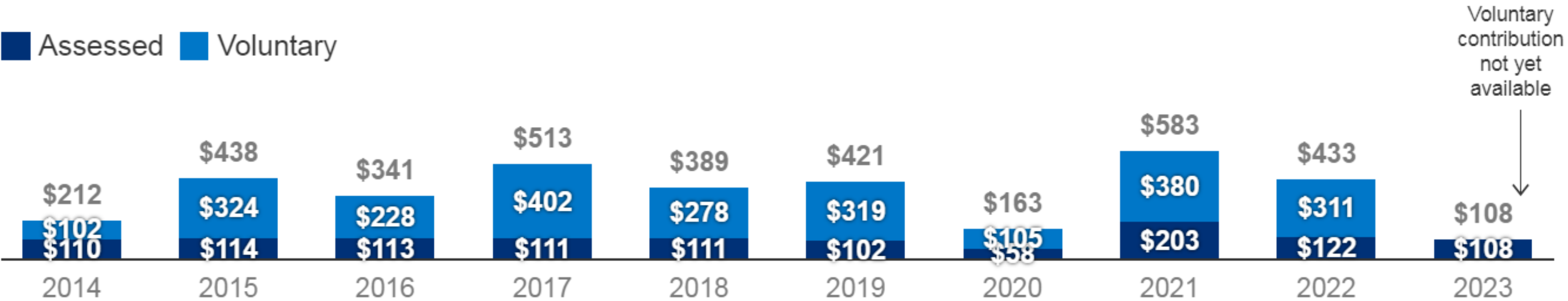
What is the WHO?

- Public health arm of the United Nations.
- Formed in 1946 during post-WWII global reorganizations.
- LNHO was its predecessor.
- U.S. joined by joint resolution in 1948, reserving the right to withdraw.
- Initially the WHO was limited to only 6 illnesses, now any potential pandemic pathogen, and proposed One Health expands further.
- 194 member states. The only countries that are not part of the WHO are Taiwan and Lichtenstein.
- Divided into 6 regional bureaus.
- Funding is about 80% from private entities.
- U.S. assessment averages \$116M annually, and we traditionally voluntarily give an additional 2X+.

Taxpayer dollars given to the WHO

Figure 2

U.S. Contributions to the World Health Organization (WHO), by Type of Contribution, FY 2014-FY 2023 (in millions)



Note: This does not include payments to the World Bank (Pandemic Fund), CDC, USAID, DOD, USDA, and more that fund global health.

WHO member states voted on 20% increase in assessment fees in 2023.

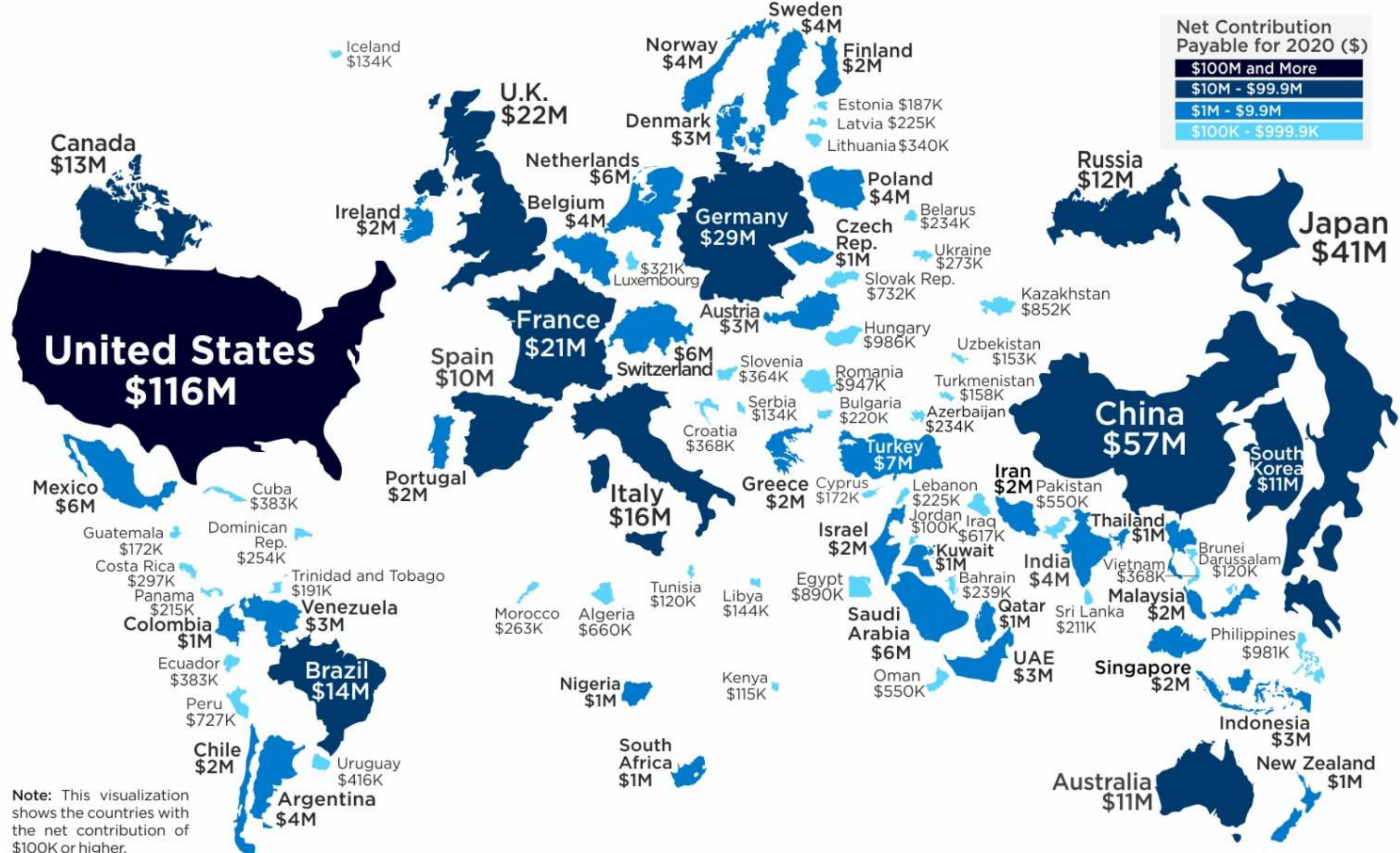
NOTE: *FY 2022 and FY 2023 are estimates. 2021 assessed contributions include approximately \$80 million in funding provided toward outstanding arrears. 2022 voluntary contribution total may not capture the full U.S. voluntary contribution during this FY. * indicates 2023 voluntary contribution total is not yet available publicly from the U.S. government. WHO reports that the 2022-2023 biennium voluntary contribution from the U.S. totals \$974 million as of April 2023 (see <http://open.who.int/2022-23/contributors/contributor?name=United%20States%20of%20America>). Does not include contributions to the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO).

SOURCE: KFF analysis of data from State Department Reports to Congress on U.S. Contributions to International Organizations, State Department budget materials, WHO Budget Sources on Voluntary and Assessed Contributions <https://www.who.int/about/funding> and <http://open.who.int/2022-23/contributors/contributor>, www.foreignassistance.gov, and KFF communication with OMB and HHS officials. PNG

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The World Health Organization (WHO) Contribution

Net Contribution Payable by Member States & Associate Members



Note: This visualization shows the countries with the net contribution of \$100K or higher.

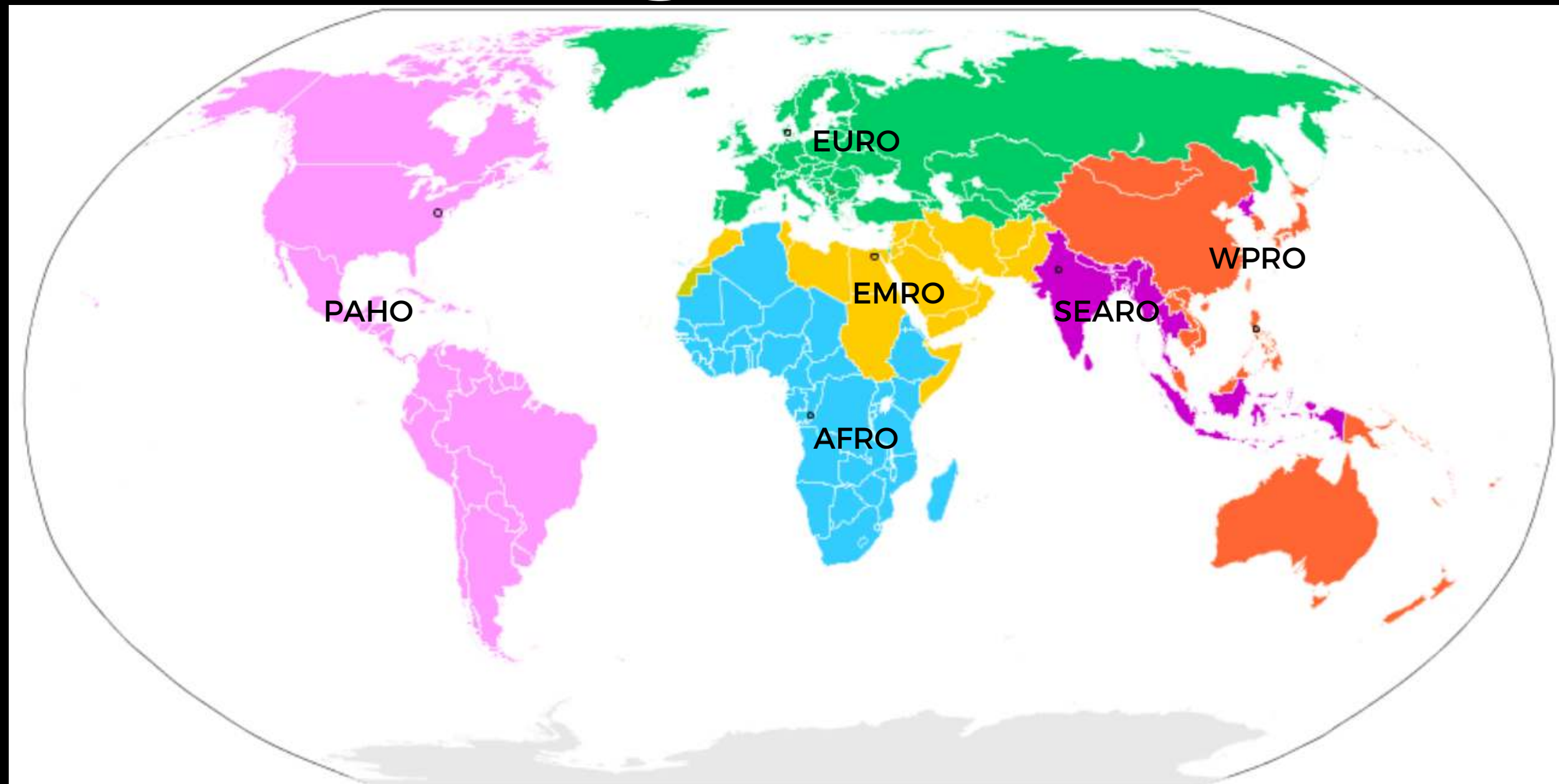
How to read this map: Size and color of the countries correspond to the value of net contribution payable for the year 2020. Countries appear bigger and darker as the value of net contribution is higher. E.g. United States.

Article & Sources:
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WHO regional offices

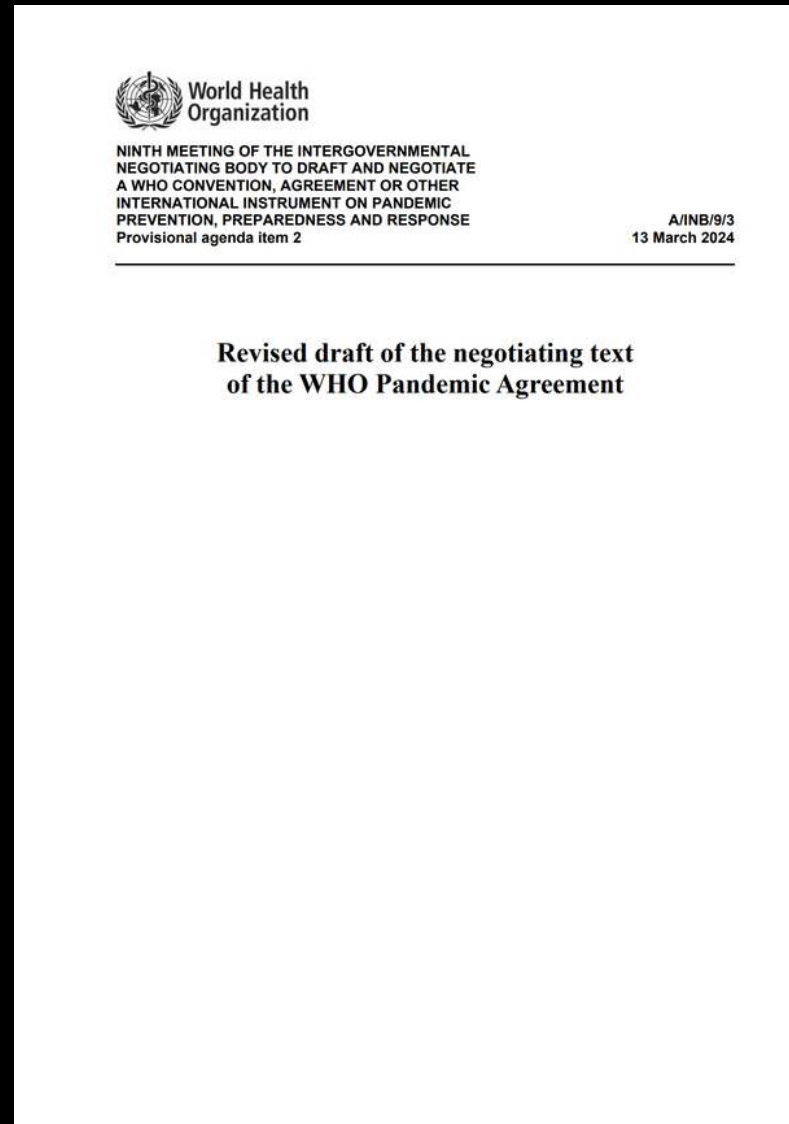


- Blue = Regional Office for Africa (AFRO), with headquarters in Brazzaville, Republic of Congo.
- Green = Regional Office for Europe (EURO), with headquarters in Copenhagen, Denmark.
- Purple = Regional Office for South East Asia (SEARO), with headquarters in New Delhi, India. North Korea is served by SEARO.
- Yellow = Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean (EMRO), with headquarters in Cairo, Egypt.
- Orange = Regional Office for Western Pacific (WPRO), with headquarters in Manila, Philippines.
- Pink = Regional Office for the Americas (AMRO), with headquarters in Washington, DC, United States of America. It is better known as the Pan American Health Organization, or PAHO.

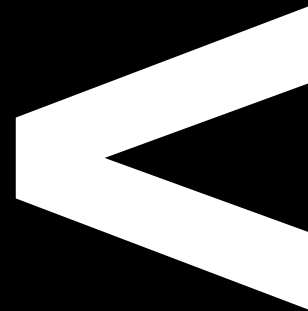
What's been going on in global health?

- **2020 COVID.**
- **2021 European Council announced plans for pandemic treaty.**
- **2022 World Health Assembly (voting body of the WHO) created Intergovernmental Negotiating Body (INB) to draft the treaty.**
- **2022 U.S. proposed 13 amendments to existing IHR, creating a confusing situation where TWO documents are being negotiated simultaneously.**
 - **Most proposals were tabled.**
 - **One change was “adopted,” speeding up the timeline for future changes.**
- **2023 U.N. adopted High Level Declaration on PPPR, to give “political will” to the WHO activities.**

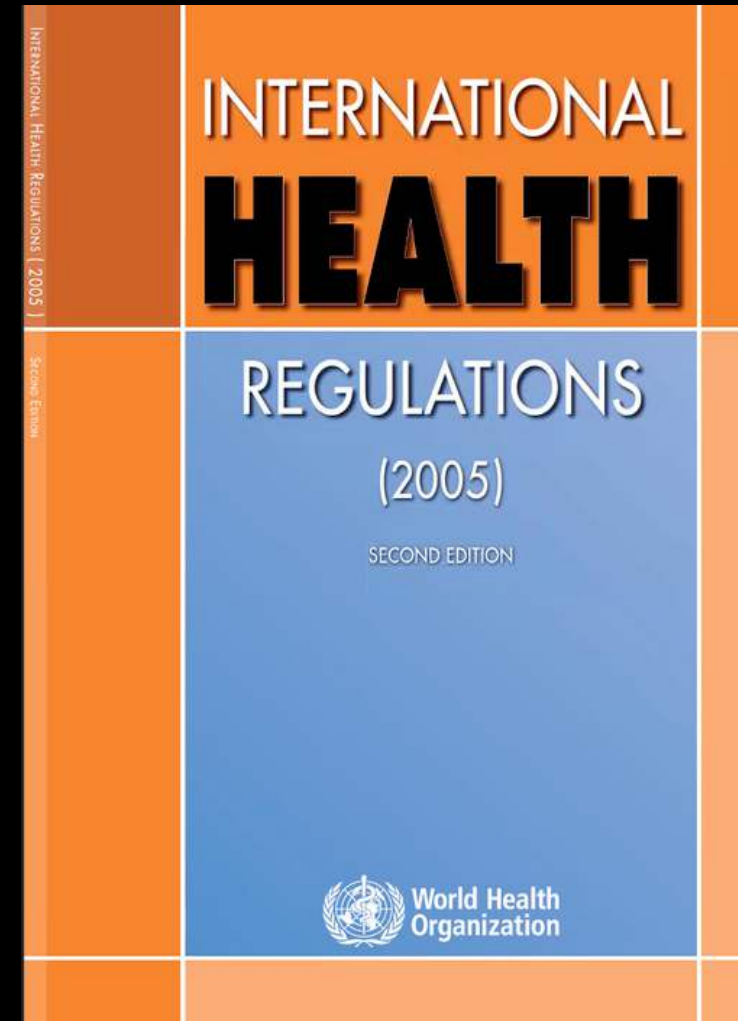
PANDEMIC TREATY



- Does not exist yet.
- Requires 2/3 majority of WHA to pass.
- U.S. Senate 2/3 approval.
- Must be ratified by 60 countries to come into effect.
- Can address “all matters within the competence of WHO”.
(Constitution Art. 2)



IHR REGULATIONS



- Already exists.
- U.S. precedent of adoption and amendment without senate advice & consent.
- Requires simple majority of WHA to pass.
- No action required in congress.
- Five enumerated categories:
quarantine/sanitary regs;
nomenclatures; diagnostic standards; standards for safety/purity/potency of pharma products in international commerce; advertising & labeling.
(Constitution Art. 21)

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The IHR is a treaty too

We need our lawmakers to understand that the IHR needs advice and consent of the Senate.

1. Over 300 proposed amendments, simplified into blank checks.
2. Will change our relationship with, and obligations to, other countries.
3. Intent is to change many “mays” to “shalls” making options obligations
4. Calls for changes to domestic laws.

Top 11 most troubling themes from negotiations

1. Pathogen sharing
2. Global 1986 Act / PREP Act
3. More PHEICs - intermediate & regional
4. Lower threshold for unilateral PHEIC declaration
5. New Conference of the Parties (COP)
6. Calls for censorship of mis- and disinformation
7. "Equity" is another way to say transfer of wealth
8. Calls for increased health and personal information sharing
9. A blank check for enforcement
10. Calls on members to change domestic law
11. "One Health" brings everything under the umbrella of public health

What does this mean for Americans?

1. **More laws.** Both the IHR and the treaty document call for governments to create more laws and give public health departments more authority.
2. **More money funnels.** All this safety is expensive! The WHO would have wealthy countries “help” countries with less cash flow to get in line with WHO mandates through funding, supply transfers, and donations.
3. **More censorship.** The WHO has medicalized and weaponized speech by calling it an “infodemic” when people question the narrative.
4. **School-based Health Centers** where the state and the medical establishment can have more access to your child than you do (if we let them).
5. **Pathogen finding and sharing**, which increases the possibility for more pandemics.
6. **Digital IDs** are being sold as a convenience and a human right. But we are in a data-driven power grab and digital identities through things like smart phones and QR codes are an all-access pass to your life.

IHR amendments update

The proposed bureau's text of the IHR amendments is more sparse than one would anticipate based on the submission of over 300 amendments and the culmination of 14 months of work to compile them. But the changes are still significant.

- A new **“pandemic emergency”** term is defined, which broadens the scope of the IHR to pandemics that haven't happened but are deemed “likely.” Is the potential pathogen “likely to” spread, overwhelm health systems, cause “social and/or economic and/or political disruption,” and require rapid response? This is the veiled increase of the “PHEIC” from one single declaration to the ability to declare an emergency for a “likely” threat.
- A **new IHR Compliance Committee** would be created, “with a view to assisting States Parties to comply with their obligations and strengthen core capacities.” It is not spelled out how that will happen, nor have any limits have been placed on the committee.
- There are **increased financial contributions**, commitments, and promises called for throughout the document, especially to “assist” developing countries. Shockingly, China claims the status of a developing country. Equitable access to “health products” is a featured amendment throughout the document, meaning poor (“developing”) countries want more resources from rich countries – and they want that promise in writing.
- A **new National IHR Authority**, which would be responsible for making sure the IHR is implemented in the country. We already have a “National Focal Point” to communicate directly with the WHO about IHR implementation.
- A **new definition for a “product dossier”** is added for health products submitted for marketing authorization on the global stage for “prequalification or emergency use listing.” This sounds eerily like a global Emergency Use Authorization.

Pandemic Agreement April 22, 2024

What happened to “Nothing is agreed, until everything is agreed”?

- Some are referring to the new treaty draft as a “placeholder”
 - Countries agree to be bound to *something* even though the details aren't worked out yet. It's a blind agreement.
- Many of the contested details have been removed, and instead there are promises that the blanks will be filled in after the treaty is adopted.

Pandemic Agreement Push

Live webcast of the meeting of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Body



“You can’t chicken out now. You’ve said it already. You’ve already agreed!”

-Precious Matsoso, Co-Chair, opening remarks, pandemic treaty meeting #9

Pandemic Agreement April 22, 2024

Summary of blank checks found in this latest draft:

- **Article 5.4**: We want **people = animals = environment**, but we'll tell you what that means later and coordinate it with a treaty that looks one way right now, but will look very different later.
- **Article 6.5**: We're going to check in regularly on how well you're following our new rules under the watchful eye of a **new around-the-clock global health governing body**, once they form and set up their rules.
- **Article 12.6**: We want everyone to **share pathogens** with each other, as well as the monetary or other gains from them, but we know we can't get everyone on the same page with this. So rather than sink the treaty ship, we'll promise to figure it out after we agree on doing it regardless of what it looks like.
- **Article 13.2**: We're going to let the new global health governance body take over on deciding who has access to pandemic products through our **new Global Supply Chain and Logistics Network**.

Pandemic Agreement April 22, 2024

Summary of blank checks found in this latest draft:

- **Article 13.6:** We want to **remove liability from manufacturers and distributors** of vaccines and pandemic products at a global level, but we won't put it in the treaty directly; it can be amended later.
- **Article 20.4:** The new global health governance body will seek out promises for **more funding from countries** and organizations, and we'll let them determine how to set that up.
- **Article 21:** We're establishing a **global health governance body completely separate from the World Health Assembly that can be in force all the time**, and will decide on how it will govern itself, and how it will make sure countries are complying with the treaty. It can create additional subordinate bodies and dictate finances at will.
- **Article 31:** That independent global health governing body will be able to change the pandemic treaty and decide on the procedure for doing so

What could happen at WHA 77?

1. Everything passes
2. IHR amendments + placeholder treaty
3. IHR amendments adopted, treaty paused
4. IHR amendments incorporate treaty
5. Both delayed
6. Nothing passes

The 2022 adoption was illegal

2022 Amendments: Improper vote

Passed by consensus in plenary session,
no evidence of WHA vote.

April - May	29-10	2024	“Resumed” INB meeting to finalize pandemic treaty
May	16	2024	“Resumed” WGIHR meeting to finalize IHR Amendment package
May	27-31	2024	WHA 77, planned vote on pandemic treaty and IHR amendments
September	22-23	2024	UN Summit of the Future (expected vote on “Pact for the Future”)
November	5	2024	US presidential (and other) elections
January	3	2025	Last day of 118th Congress
March		2025	Last day for rejection of, or reservation to, potentially adopted IHR amendments and/or treaty, if 2022 amendment was legally adopted, shortening timeline to 10 months.
November		2025	Last day for rejection or reservation to potentially adopted IHR amendments and/or treaty, if amendment from 2022 is not adopted shortening timeline to 10 months.

Sovereignty at issue - we change our own laws

WHO DG Tedros continues to say the WHO will not take over state sovereignty but we see this language in the IHR proposal:

*“WHO shall collaborate with, **and assist**, States Parties, upon request, to the **fullest** extent possible in...**strengthening domestic legislative and administrative arrangements for the implementation of these Regulations.**” (Bolded language is new).*

And in the treaty:

*“**Each Party shall, in accordance with its national context, protect human, animal and plant health...by...implementing and regularly reviewing national policies and strategies that reflect a One Health approach...**”*

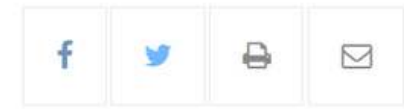
4. The modalities, terms and conditions and operational dimensions of a One Health approach shall be further defined in an instrument that takes into consideration the provisions of the International Health Regulations (2005) and will be operational by 31 May 2026.

Being a part of this agreement means changing U.S. law to be in line with WHO decisions that will come in the future, and be binding through these documents.

There will be a **new IHR Compliance Committee & Conference of the Parties** to "facilitate and oversee" compliance with WHO dictates.

White House announces global partnership to prevent future pandemics

By Ernie Mundell, HealthDay News



As part of the initiative, the United States will offer support and expertise to nations, largely in Africa and Asia, aimed at boosting the preparedness, detection and response to emerging outbreaks. Photo by Adobe Stock/HealthDay News

The Biden Administration announced Tuesday that it will work with [50 nations](#) worldwide to try to prevent global pandemics such as [COVID-19](#), which brought the world to a standstill four years ago.

"Today, I am proud to announce that my Administration is releasing a new Global Health Security Strategy -- outlining actions the United States will take over the next five years to prevent, detect and effectively respond to biological threats, wherever they emerge," President [Joe Biden](#) said in a [statement](#) posted by the White House.

The process is falling apart

1. Major news outlets are starting to report on disharmony among members.
 - a. equity
 - b. PABS & IP
 - c. One Health
2. Japan protest April 13, 2024.
3. Rejections and reservations from various countries or leaders.
4. U.N. giving "political will" through it's Declaration on PPPR.
5. U.S. released update to its Global Health Security Strategy after last INB meeting.
6. Arguments that both the 2022 and 2024 votes are invalid.

2024 votes are illegal

2024 Amendments & Treaty: Late
Neither submitted 4 months before the WHA
that starts May 27, 2024.

Article 55 Amendments

1. Amendments to these Regulations may be proposed by any State Party or by the Director-General. Such proposals for amendments shall be submitted to the Health Assembly for its consideration.
2. The text of any proposed amendment shall be communicated to all States Parties by the Director-General at least four months before the Health Assembly at which it is proposed for consideration.

Letter from Republican Senators May 1, 2024

In light of the high stakes for our country and our constitutional duty, we call upon you to (1) withdraw your administration's support for the current IHR amendments and pandemic treaty negotiations, (2) shift your administration's focus to comprehensive WHO reforms that address its persistent failures without expanding its authority, and (3) should you ignore these calls, submit any pandemic related agreement to the Senate for its advice and consent.



Ron Johnson
United States Senator

Sincerely,



Rick Scott
United States Senator

Letter from Republican Senators

May 1, 2024


James E. Risch
United States Senator


Bill Cassidy, M.D.
United States Senator


John Barrasso, M.D.
United States Senator


Marsha Blackburn
United States Senator


John Boozman
United States Senator


Mike Braun
United States Senator


Katie Boyd Britt
United States Senator


Ted Budd
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Shelley Moore Capito
United States Senator


John Cornyn
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Tom Cotton
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Kevin Cramer
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Thom Tillis
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Tommy Tuberville
United States Senator

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New Letter from Attorneys General

In 2022, **15** AG's made a petition for rulemaking to amend HHS' definition of "public health emergency," which includes WHO PHEICs. HHS declined; TX and OK filed suit; dismissed without prejudice.

May 8, 2024: **22** AG's send a letter to President Biden, opposing the treaty and IHR amendments. They objected to the negotiations behind closed doors, the fluid nature of the documents, the failure to hold WHO accountable for failures. They objected to the creation of a "global surveillance infrastructure," and the unconstitutional delegation of public health decisions that is reserved to the states.

"Ultimately, the goal of these instruments isn't to protect public health. It's to cede authority to the WHO--specifically its Director-General--to restrict our citizens' rights to freedom of speech, privacy, movement (especially travel across borders) and informed consent."

The AG's vowed to "resist any attempt to enable the WHO" to set public health policy.

New Letter from Attorneys General

We therefore oppose such accords for several important reasons. First, the two proposed instruments would transform the WHO from an advisory, charitable organization into the world's governor of public health. The WHO currently lacks authority to enforce its recommendations. Under proposed IHR amendments and the Pandemic Treaty, however, the WHO's Director-General would achieve the power to unilaterally declare a "public health emergency of international concern" (PHEIC) in one or more member nations. Such declarations can include perceived or *potential* emergencies other than pandemics, **including climate change, immigration, gun violence, or even "emergencies" involving plants, animals, or ecosystems.** The more egregious versions of the proposals would authorize the Director-General to dictate what must be done in response to a declared PHEIC. In other words, America's elected representatives would no longer set the nation's public health policies. Even watered down, these proposals would inappropriately cede American sovereignty to the WHO.

How can states be affected?

State lawmakers think this isn't a state issue, and instead it belongs to the Biden administration.

This is a total abdication of States' rights and the health and welfare power reserved by the Constitution.

Treaties can override state law.

Changes in federal laws and regulations affect states.

Federal grants with strings attached.

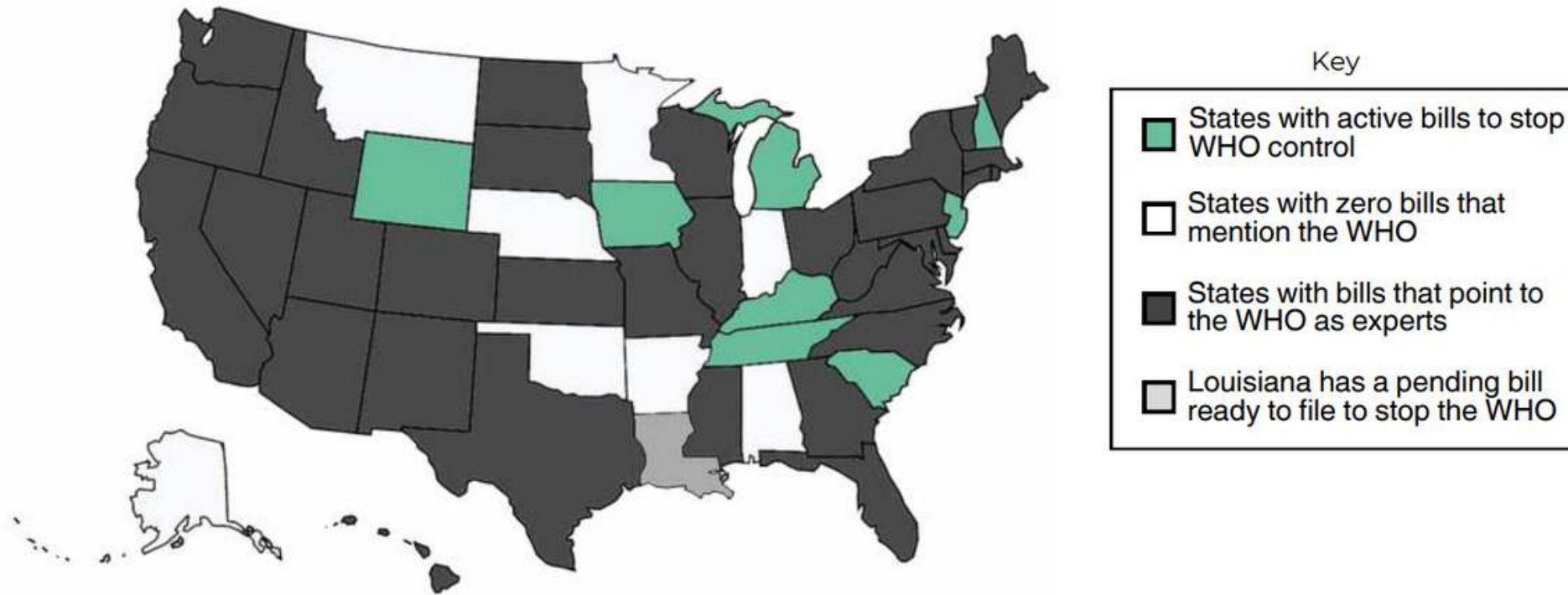
Pathogen sharing affects everyone.

The invisible hand of the WHO in the states

January 2024

Stand for Health Freedom took a look at state bill proposals in the 2023 and 2024 sessions, using the search term “World Health Organization.” What we found was striking. Through 2023 and the first month of 2024, when most bills would be filed for the session, **we found lawmakers turning to the WHO as an authority in almost 300 bills.** States that looked to the WHO as experts most frequently were Florida, New York, New Jersey, and Hawaii. See the graph below for more.

WHO legislation in the US for 2023-2024 session



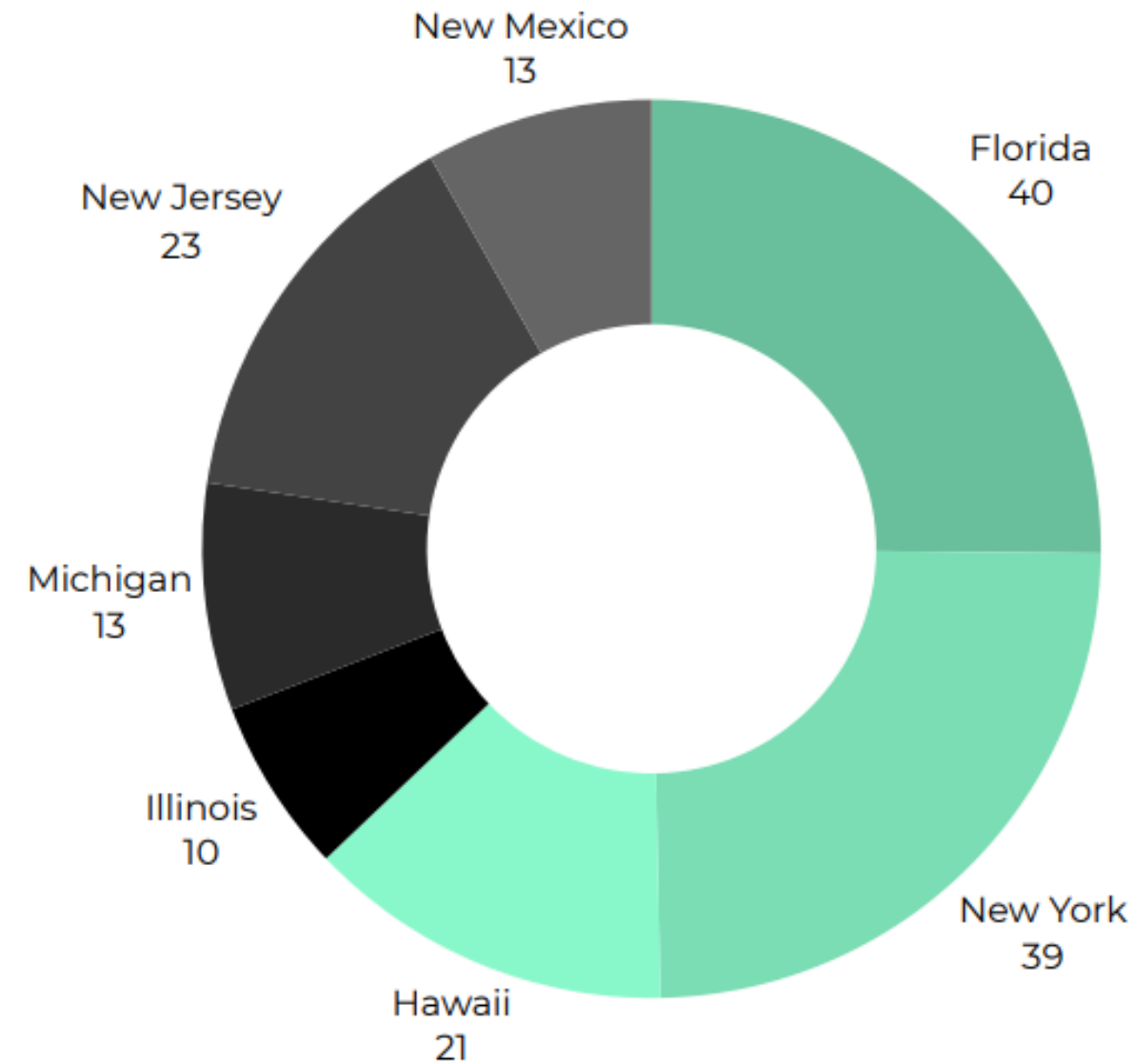
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These are not bills about the WHO, and not even all health-care related, but instead address anything from transportation to taxes to veterinary care to commemorative holidays to international trade agreements. See a small fraction of the list we compiled below:

- **workplace violence**
- **traffic enforcement**
- **electric bicycle rebates**
- **interstate mobility**
- **swimming lesson voucher program**
- **taxation**
- **local utilities**
- **liquor taxes**
- **airport noise**
- **metro township modifications**

States where the WHO hand is heaviest



States with bills and resolutions against the WHO

	State	2024 session	2023 session	2022 session	Status 5/8/24
1	Alabama	HJR113 , HB408			resolution adopted in House and Senate; no movement on bill
2	Georgia	SR634			session ended
3	Idaho	S1287			session ended
4	Iowa	HF507 , HSB748			session ended
5	Kentucky	HJR44 , SB314 , SR218	HB100		SR218 Adopted; session ended.
6	Louisiana	SB133	HB372	HR116 (adopted!)	Passed Senate unanimously; in House 3rd reading.
7	Michigan	HB4859			nothing after introduction; session done 12/31/2024
8	Missouri	SCR37	HB1130		newly filed 4/23/24; session done 5/17/2024
9	New Hampshire	HB1156			Failed 181-190
10	New Jersey	AR29	AR180		nothing after introduction
11	Oklahoma	SB875 , HR1042 , SB426			HR1042 Adopted 4/24/24. SB426 passed House, rally May 14th.
12	South Carolina	S 0868 , HB4246			nothing after introduction; session done tomorrow 5/9/2024
13	Tennessee	HJR820 , HJR1359			HJR820 passed House; session ended
14	Utah	SB57			PASSED
15	Wyoming	HB91	HB143		"did not consider for introduction"

2024 Session:
23 actions
in 15 states;
4 adopted;
LA, OK hopeful!
 (As of 5/13/24)

States with bills and resolutions against the WHO

Highlights as of 5/13/2024

- **Utah** passed the Utah Constitutional Sovereignty Act in January 2024.
- **Kentucky** saw their state Senate pass resolution SR218, opposing U.S. participation in, and funding of, the WHO.
- **Alabama's** HJR113 directs federal government to defund and reject IHR Amendments & treaty.
- **Louisiana's** bill to limit WHO jurisdiction in the state passed the Senate unanimously.
- **Oklahoma** adopted 2042, stating WHO, UN and WEF have no jurisdiction in OK; state and local governments will not participate in mandates, or recommendations.
- **Tennessee's** resolution directing their state federal lawmakers & the White House to defund and exit the WHO passed the House.

Some observations from the filed bills

1. The **less-is-more** approach is powerful.
2. **Do not include the CDC.** Focus only on the WHO or global entities. The WHO is unelected, unaccountable, and outside America. Many bills are including sovereignty assertions against the CDC as well. While it is true that CDC doesn't have authority (unless a state explicitly gives it), a bill is more likely to meet resistance when an American agency is included.
3. **Don't rely on the 10th Amendment.** Some states are hooking the 10th Amendment of our U.S. Bill of Rights to their sovereignty assertions, but that doesn't go far enough. The 10th Amendment will protect a state's rights in public health against the federal government, but it doesn't prevent the state itself from adopting WHO policies with the force of law.
4. **Limiting the language in the bill to the treaty alone** does not incorporate the already existing International Health Regulations, which are already binding on the U.S., and amendments are being proposed to turn options into obligations.
5. Some states have added a **private right to sue** if globalist mandates are imposed after the bill is passed.

Other ways the agenda is already being implemented

- WHO BioHub system / PABS
- Pandemic Fund at World Bank
- WHO Hub for Pandemic and Epidemic Intelligence, Berlin Germany
- Global Initiative on Digital Health (GIDH - pronounced “guide”)
- International Pathogen Surveillance Network
- WHA resolution to adopt Resolution on strengthening diagnostics capacity
- Increased evaluation of country compliance with IHR

Other ways the agenda is already being implemented in U.S.

- 2020: HHS took “One Health” approach to COVID-19
- 2021: New Office of Climate Change and Health Equity in HHS.
- 2022: U.S. led charge to change IHR while negotiating treaty.
- 2022: Disinformation Governance Board failed; DHS grants for “media literacy.”
- 2023: \$250M pledged to “Pandemic Fund” at the World Bank
- 2023: U.S. agreed to 20% increase in WHO fees.
- 2023: New Bureau of Global Health Security and Diplomacy in the Department of State.
- March 2024: US hosts launch of “Foreign Ministry Channel for Global Health Security”.
- 2024: Updated Global Health Security Agenda.

How I Learned to Love the New World Order

Imagine my surprise when a Wall Street Journal editorial appointed me dean of the Pat Buchanan school of neo-isolationism. My credentials? Believing that the Pentagon's new strategy — America as "Globocop" — could render the United States a hollow superpower.

All agree we need the military capacity to defend our vital interests — by ourselves when need be. The question is grand strategy. With the Journal's endorsement, the Pentagon has called for a Pax Americana: The U.S. should cast so large a military shadow that no rival dare emerge.

American hegemony might be a pleasant idea, but is it economically, political-

Counterpoint

By Joseph R. Biden Jr.

ly or even militarily wise? Bristling with weapons, we would continue our economic decline, while rising industrial and financial giants in Europe and Asia viewed our military pretensions with indifference or contempt.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney outdid even the Journal, dipping deep into the well of Cold War argumentation to accuse Pax Americana critics of thinking "America's world presence is somehow immoral and dangerous."

Why doesn't the Journal stop the name-calling, get its schools sorted out, and court an honest debate over America's proper role in the new world order?

Pat Buchanan's "America First" preaches martyrdom; We've been suckered into fighting "other" people's battles and defending "other" people's interests. With our dismal economy, this siren song holds some appeal.

But most Americans, myself included, reject 1930s-style isolationism. They expect

to see the strong hand of American leadership in world affairs, and they know that economic retreat would yield nothing other than a lower standard of living. They understand further that many security threats — the spread of high-tech weapons, environmental degradation, overpopulation, narcotics trafficking, migration — require global solutions.

What about America as globocop? First, our 21st-century strategy has to be a shade more clever than Mao's axiom that power comes from the barrel of a gun. Power also emanates from a solid bank balance, the ability to dominate and penetrate markets, and the economic leverage to wield diplomatic clout.

Second, the plan is passive where it needs to be aggressive. The Journal endorses a global security system in which we destroy rogue-state threats as they arise. Fine, but let's prevent such problems early rather than curing them late. Having contained Soviet communism until it dissolved, we need a new strategy of "containment" — based, like NATO, on collective action, but directed against weapons proliferation.

The reality is that we can slow proliferation to a snail's pace if we stop irresponsible technology transfers. Fortunately, nearly all suppliers are finally showing restraint. The maverick is China, which persists in hawking sensitive weapons and technology to the likes of Syria, Iran, Libya, Algeria and Pakistan — even while pledging otherwise.

The Senate has tried to force China's leaders to choose between Third World arms sales (1991 profits of \$500 million) and open trade with the U.S. (a \$12.5 billion annual Chinese surplus). Even though we have convincing intelligence that China's leaders fear the use of this leverage, the president inexplicably refuses to challenge Beijing.

Weapons containment can't be foolproof; and against a nuclear-armed North Korea, I would support pre-emptive military action if necessary. But let's do our best — using supplier restraint and sanctions against outlaw sellers and buyers — to avoid having to round up the posse. Why not an anti-proliferation "czar" in the cabinet to give this objective the prominence it urgently needs?

Third, Pax Americana is a direct slap at two of our closest allies — Japan and Germany — and a repudiation of one of our

Rather than denigrating collective security, we should regularize the kind of multilateral response we assembled for the Gulf War. Why not breathe life into the U.N. Charter?

great postwar triumphs. For years, American leaders argued that building democracy in Europe and Asia would guarantee stability because democracies don't start wars. Now the Pentagon says we must keep our military large enough to persuade Japan and Germany "not to aspire to a greater role [even] to protect their legitimate interests."

How has our success suddenly become a threat? It hasn't, but the Pentagon plan could become a self-fulfilling prophecy. By insulting Tokyo and Berlin, and arrogating to ourselves military stewardship of the world, we may spark the revival no one wants.

Secretary Cheney says he wants the allies to share the burden on defense matters. But Pax Americana puts us on the wrong end of a paradox: Hegemony means

that even our allies can force ever greater U.S. defense spending the more they try to share the burden!

Fourth, collective security doesn't rule out unilateral action. The Journal says I'm among those who want "Americans . . . to trust their security to a global committee." But no one advocates that we repeal the "inherent" right of self-defense enshrined in Article 51 of the United Nations Charter.

Secretary Cheney says his plan wouldn't undermine support for the U.N. Who would know better than the U.N.'s usually understated secretary general? If implemented, says Boutros Boutros-Ghali, the Pentagon's strategy would spell "the end of the U.N."

Rather than denigrating collective security, we should regularize the kind of multilateral response we assembled for the Gulf War. Why not breathe life into the U.N. Charter? It envisages a permanent commitment of forces, for use by the Security Council. That means a presumption of collective action — but with a U.S. veto.

Rather than defending military extravagance, the Bush administration should be reallocating Pentagon funds to meet more urgent security needs: sustaining democracy in the former Soviet empire; supporting U.N. peacekeepers in Yugoslavia, Cambodia and El Salvador; and rebuilding a weakened and debt-burdened America.

If Pentagon strategists and their knee-jerk supporters could broaden their horizons, they would see how our superpower status is best assured. We must get lean militarily, revitalize American economic strength, and exercise a diplomatic leadership that puts new muscle into institutions of collective security.

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- 1. Vote.**
- 2. Support HR 79: Who Withdraw Act.**
- 3. Pass local ordinances; build your community.**
- 4. Read the fine print on strings attached to grants.**
- 5. Watch out for School-based Health Centers.**
- 6. Never stop talking about this.**
- 7. Do not comply.**

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