World Health Day 2020: Let’s show our support for nurses and midwives

“Today and every day, we acknowledge the work of nurses and midwives globally and in our Region. We show gratitude to them and solidarity with them, and we count on countries to mobilize all the support they deserve.”

Support nurses and midwives through COVID-19 and beyond

State of the World’s Nursing Report 2020
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On World Health Day, WHO launched the first-ever State of the World’s Nursing Report 2020. The report provides a global picture of the nursing workforce and supports evidence-based planning to optimize the contributions of this workforce to improve health and well-being for all. The report will set the agenda for data collection, policy dialogue, research and advocacy, and investment in the health workforce for generations to come. A similar report on the Midwifery workforce will be launched in 2021.

Read the report

2020 International Year of the Nurse and Midwife toolkit

A message from Her Royal Highness Princess Muna Al Hussein of Jordan
A note of appreciation from Her Highness Princess Muna Al-Hussein to the world's nurses, midwives, physicians, healthcare providers, and first responders.

“I would like to thank you all personally for the wonderful and vital job you are doing in these very difficult times. My heart goes out to you and your families for all you are doing to care for people and keep the world safe.”

Nurses and midwives, you have already crowned your 2020 Year of the Nurse and the Midwife with your courage, compassion, and dedication to patients and the global community. So proud of you all. May God keep you all safe and may He bless you all. Your health and safety are very important to us all.”
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