



WHO Representative Dr Assad Hafeez Kuwait, 6 April 2023 – In commemoration of the 75th anniversary of World Health Organization (WHO) on World Health Day 7 April, WHO is proud to celebrate its longstanding collaboration with Kuwait.

Seventy-five years ago, in the aftermath of the deadliest and most destructive war in human history, the [Constitution of the World Health Organization](#) came into force: a treaty between the nations of the world, who recognized that health was not only a fundamental human right, but also fundamental to peace and security.

Over the past 7 and a half decades, there has been extraordinary progress in protecting people from disease and destruction, including smallpox eradication, reducing the incidence of polio by 99%, saving millions of lives through childhood immunization, declines in maternal mortality and improving health and well-being for millions more.

In Kuwait over the years, this partnership has resulted in many successful initiatives and programs, including the establishment of the WHO Kuwait Country Office which further strengthened the collaboration between the Organization and the Ministry of Health, enabling them to work together more effectively to improve health outcomes in Kuwait.

As we celebrate the 75th anniversary, we recognize the importance of collaboration and partnership in achieving better health for all. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the critical role of public health and the need for coordinated action at all levels. WHO and the Ministry of Health remain committed to working together to address health challenges that the country may face and make progress towards achieving the targets of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Dr Assad Hafeez, WHO Representative to Kuwait, said, “The collaboration between WHO and the Ministry of Health in Kuwait is a shining example of how partnerships can drive progress in public health. We are proud to celebrate this partnership on World Health Day and look forward to continuing our work together to improve the health and well-being of the people of Kuwait.”

On this day, WHO and the Ministry of Health reaffirm their commitment to working together to improve the health and well-being for everyone in Kuwait. Together we can build a healthier and more resilient future for all.

About WHO

Dedicated to the well-being of all people and guided by science, the World Health Organization leads and champions global efforts to give everyone, everywhere and equal chance at a safe and healthy life. We are the United Nations agency for health that connects nations, partners, and people on the front lines in 150+ locations, leading the world's response to health emergencies, preventing disease, addressing the root causes of health issues, and expanding access to medicines and health care. Our mission is to promote health, keep the world safe and serve the vulnerable.

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