

The strategic directions for strengthening nursing and midwifery services developed by WHO and its partners provide an overarching framework for collaborative action to the common goal enshrined in its vision: improved health outcomes for individuals, families and communities through the provision of competent, culturally sensitive, evidence based nursing and midwifery services.

The main strategic areas are: strengthening of health systems and services; nursing and midwifery policy and practice; education, training and career development; nursing and midwifery workforce management; and partnership for nursing and midwifery services.

These areas provide a framework for WHO action to support countries in improving the quality of nursing and midwifery services, and a possible guide for action at national levels.

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