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WHO's work in emergencies is directed by a number of guiding documents. The Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Transformative Agenda provides a set of concrete actions to transform the way in which the humanitarian community responds to emergencies, focusing on improving the timeliness and effectiveness of the collective response through stronger leadership, more effective coordination structures, and improved accountability for performance and to affected people.

WHO's Emergency Response Framework (ERF) defines "WHO's commitment, roles, and responsibilities in emergency response, so that the Organization acts with urgency, predictability, and efficiency to optimize effectiveness". The ERF categorizes WHO's response into a number of critical functions, including: leadership and coordination; technical expertise; information and communications; and core services, such as human resources, programme management, procurement and logistics, and security.

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