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BACKGROUND AND MISSION

The International Centre for Migration, Health and Development (ICMHD) is a non-profit institution established in 1995. Its mandate is to work on research, training and policy advocacy in all areas related to migration and health. ICMHD's work is based on the belief that by protecting the health and welfare of people on the move, the public health, social development and human security of the wider society is also enhanced. ICMHD is a WHO Collaborating Centre for health-related issues among people displaced by conflict and disaster, and a UNFPA implementing partner on reproductive health issues in situations of crisis.

AREAS OF INTEREST

- Research on the health impacts of migration and population movements globally
- Situation assessment
- Training and capacity building
- Policy formulation and advocacy
- Health-related issues among people displaced by disasters (WHO CC)

HEALTH-RELATED ACTIVITIES

ICMHD conducts research and develops databases and information that can serve as a basis for the creation of policies and programmes related to migrant health. It also formulates its own policies and advocates for them. It formulates rapid responses to crises which often trigger increase of migrants and internally displaced people, as well as monitors and evaluates the impact of humanitarian interventions on the health and welfare of displaced people. In addition, ICMHD organises training courses in health and migration planning, and management for humanitarian relief workers, UN personnel, health practitioners, public health professionals, policy-makers and planners, and military and peacekeeping forces. Regarding activities as a WHO Collaborating Centre, ICMHD supports the WHO Public Health and Migration with special reference to migration and health issues, providing situation assessment support and training of European national authorities and healthcare staff, national and international NGO personnel and UN personnel on migration and health issues, and to participate in WHO PHM meetings and other technical activities.

GOVERNANCE AND STAFF

ICMHD is governed by an international 5 member Executive committee and a Board of Directors made up of 9 member. The president of ICMHD is Dr Eamon Kelly. ICMHD is

headquartered in Geneva and has offices in Rome and Sarajevo. The staff consists of 16 experts and specialists working in different areas of public health.

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