

## WEBINAR SESSION 10 (June 2019) - RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

## Back to Basics: Practical Steps for Countries to Ensure Universal Access to WASH in HCF

These recommendations provide insight for countries to ensure universal access to water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) in healthcare facilities (HCF).

- 1. Address gaps in the data
  - Harmonize definitions used at a national level
  - Establish baseline status in all countries
  - Countries should collect comparable water, sanitation, hygiene, healthcare waste and environmental cleaning data
- 2. Eliminate HCF with no services
  - Prioritize basic minimum service in all facilities, large or small
  - Progressively improve service levels above basic service
- 3. Strengthen coordination among HCF to progress national strategy on WASH in HCF
- 4. Fund the safe management of health care waste and other aspects of WASH in HCF
- 5. Support the implementation of the World Health Assembly Resolution
  - Understand global, regional and country data <a href="http://washdata.org">http://washdata.org</a>
  - Share your commitments, tools and learning <a href="http://www.washinhcf.org">http://www.washinhcf.org</a>
  - Join upcoming webinars, regional and global events