

1.8 Billion Young People for Change and the Global Forum for Adolescents

There are over 1.8 billion young people in the world; our voices must be heard as we call for more initiatives, investment, and government policy to focus on our health and well-being. Join us in demanding action.

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Save the date!

Global Forum for Adolescents confirmed for 11-12 OCTOBER 2023

Join the world's largest-ever gathering for adolescent-well-being! The Forum will be the flagship event for the #1point8 Billion Young People for Change campaign, bringing together young people, global decision-makers and advocates in a two-day virtual mainstage. The goal of the campaign is to mobilize both political and financial commitments toward improved adolescent health and well-being.




Why should adolescent well-being be a priority?

Today, the world has more young people than at any time in history. Yet far too many of today's 1.8 billion adolescents and youth (ages 10-24) will fall short of potential if current policy and investment approaches fail to meet their needs. Join this global campaign for, by and with young people. Their voices must be at the centre of decision-making processes for their own health and well-being, their empowerment and resilience, their education and skills, and their connection with people and planet.

Join the campaign and sign up for regular updates

Join 200+ leading organizations to stand up for 1.8 billion





 Share “What Young People Want” so that the demands of young people drive the campaign’s advocacy



Spread the word on social media - and share a story of a young person who has inspired you in youth-led advocacy for health and well-being using #1point8




 Co-design sessions of the Global Forum for Adolescents virtual 2-day program

 Organize a national activity/event related to adolescent well-being to discuss challenges, solutions and build demand for change

Please contact pmnch@who.int to discuss your organization’s engagement.



 Organize a virtual Global Forum for Adolescents side event

Upcoming activities (24 February - 8 March)



What Young People Want mobilizer training
28 February 2023



Africa Health Agenda International Conference
5-8 March 2023,
Kigali Rwanda



CSW67 Global Adolescent Girls Leadership Town Hall
24 February 2023 15:00 — 16:00
CET Virtual, UN Women

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