

Box 1 Actions to strengthen nursing, midwifery and allied health regulation

For member countries

- Analyse the status of health professionals' regulation and monitor the progress regularly.
- Collaborate and network with other countries to learn from each other's experiences and good practices.
- Develop country level advocacy and communication plans to support implementation of national regulatory systems.
- Strengthen capacities of regulatory bodies involved in nursing and midwifery regulation and accelerate implementation of regulatory frameworks, including:
 - reviewing current legislative frameworks, governance and organizational structures;
 - reviewing and improving the adequacy of the current registration and licensure processes;
 - developing/reviewing and improving the operational and business processes;
 - engaging stakeholders; and
 - ensuring a link between regulation of education and practice.

For WHO

- Share and disseminate this expert group meeting outputs widely.
- Facilitate collaboration and information sharing on health professionals' regulation among Member States:
 - Develop a platform to share and exchange knowledge between and among health professionals on regulation and other areas.
 - Develop/adapt a regional model/tool for assessing and monitoring the status and progress of health professional regulatory systems in Member States.
 - Pilot and validate the model/tool in selected countries.
- Promote research to provide evidence to improve health professionals' regulation.
- Provide technical cooperation with Member States in establishing/strengthening national health professional regulatory bodies. Develop a policy brief outlining policy options for nursing and midwifery regulation on various key elements of a regulatory system.