

## SEVENTY-SIXTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY

## Provisional agenda item 13.5 DRAFT GLOBAL STRATEGY ON INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL

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ICN welcomes the Global Strategy on Infection Prevention and Control. Nurses are a vital force to drive forward the planning and implementation of the strategy at the country and regional levels.

ICN emphasizes the role of nurses to integrate IPC measures into patient pathways and health service delivery across the continuum of care. IPC nurse specialists are essential to implement IPC core components and to ensure occupational health and safety in health care facilities.

ICN strongly promotes the leadership role of nurses in IPC teams and initiatives to support the multidisciplinary team to apply IPC principles and best practices.