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REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR
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PUBLIC HEALTH TRAINING IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC REGION

The Regional Committee,

Having considered the document prepared by the Government of Australia on public health training in the Western Pacific Region;¹

Recalling resolution WPR/RC13.R2 on using the facilities available within the Region for the education and training of health personnel;

Noting the need for an effective structure to coordinate regional training activities in public health;

Recognizing the major role WHO has played and continues to play in this field;

1. **URGES Member States:**

- (1) to review the situation of public health training in their own countries and devise strategies to make those concerned aware of the needs and opportunities that exist within the Region;

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¹Document WPR/RC43/11.

(2) to foster greater regional cooperation in public health training by such means as twinning arrangements between institutions with similar or complementary training functions, increased exchanges and networking between training institutions, and further development of centres of excellence;

(3) to work towards removing unnecessary barriers involving the recognition of qualifications and status conferred by training undertaken outside one's own country;

2. REQUESTS the Regional Director:

(1) to continue to strengthen regional institutions for training in public health to meet the growing and changing health needs of the Region;

(2) to enhance the role of the Regional Office as the coordinating centre for the exchange of information on training, teaching units and research projects in the Region;

(3) to report to the Regional Committee at its forty-fourth session in 1993 on public health training resources in the Region and how this might strengthen regional cooperation in health development.