

Invitation to a meeting with WHO

1. Who are we?

Under the leadership of Walter B. Gyger, Representative of Rotary international to UN and other international Organizations in Geneva, and PDG Dr. Himansu Basu, Technical Coordinator in Maternal and Child Health (2013-19), Medical Director, Rotarian Action Group on Population Development (2011-), Founder/Chairman, Rotarian Doctors Fellowship (2002- 2010), Rotarians from the Geneva Lake Region decided to establish a Rotary Geneva Health Group. **Secretary of the group is Dr. Paola Alejandra Castillo Rojas, Rotaract Genève international**



2. Objective

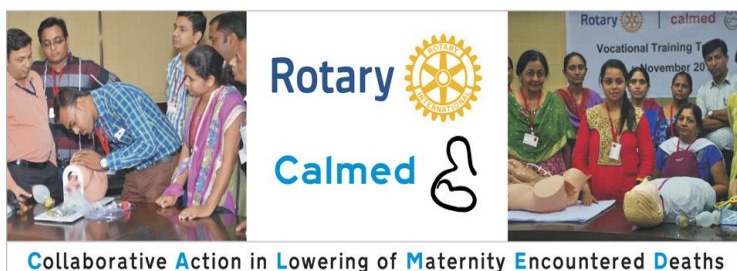
To contribute to make Rotary Projects in the two focus areas: “DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT” and “MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH” more effective and efficient by:

- Facilitating exchanges of knowledge and experiences
- Joining forces on data collection and evaluation
- Linking the top (World Health Organization) to the bottom (Clubs/Districts)

3. Focus:

To start with it was decided to concentrate on “Maternal and Child Health (MCH) with the long-term goal: **ZERO PREVENTABLE MORTALITY FOR MOTHERS AND CHILDREN.**

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4. Plan of Action:

At the Rotary Convention 2018 in Toronto Dr. Himansu Basu has consulted Rotarians interested in MCH GG-Projects willing to exchange knowledge and experiences, joining forces on data collection and evaluation and in bottom up and top down networking. These exchanges will be result oriented. Through better coordination and sharing of experiences of different projects, it is intended to make a civil society contribution to the implementation of the global strategy¹ of WHO to achieve the SDGs as defined in the Global Agenda 2030.

The Rotary Geneva Health Group intends to organize within 6 months a meeting with the relevant WHO department to discuss how Rotary MCH projects can best contribute to the global strategy of WHO.

The Geneva Rotary Health group will prepare in collaboration with WHO the agenda and relevant documentation.

After the meeting decisions on the continuation of the work will be taken.



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¹ Global Strategy for Women’s, Children’, and Adolescent’s Health. <http://www.who.int/life-course/partners/global-strategy/en/>