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Roundtable Discussion Migrant Workers, Their Families and Their Health: How Can Governments Work Together to Address this Issue?

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Moderator: Ms. Shazia Rafi, Secretary General, PGA

- 11:00 - 11:05 Welcome Remarks & Introduction
Ms. Shazia Rafi, Secretary-General, PGA
- 11:05 - 11:20 Self-Introduction of Participants (name, organization/title, role of self/organization in migration and health)
- 11:20 - 11:30 Chile's Contemporary Migration Policy: Health Access for Migrants
Dip. Gabriel Mansilla Ascencio, MP (Chile)
- 11:30 - 11:40 Migrants, Families, Challenges and Priorities of the Dominican Republic
Dip. Jose Ricardo Taveras, MP (Dominican Republic)
- 11:40 – 11:50 Migrant Health Services and Policy Implications
Dr. Robert Bristow, Emergency Medicine New York Presbyterian Hospital
- 11:50 - 1:00 Open Discussion

Discussion Questions

The challenges stemming from state responsibility (labor, immigration, health care and education), resource allocation, communicable and infectious diseases and reproductive health are central to migrant population health and have implications for public health in both sending and receiving countries. Participants may draw from experiences with internal migration as examples in that context are of value to this discussion.

I. Who's Responsible and to What Degree?

1. Which government(s) sending or receiving should be responsible for the health of migrant workers and their families and in what way(s)?
2. Which sector(s) of government and/or society are most appropriate to address migrant populations and health?
3. How should services to undocumented migrants be funded?
4. What are the components of international cooperation in addressing migrant population health?
 - How should we address undocumented/illegal migrants in this context?

II. Policy Content

4. What should governmental policy addressing migrant population health contain?
 - What are necessary or key components?
5. At what level might government approach the health issues of migrant workers and their families?
6. What are migrant contributions to economy and do they offset services for undocumented migrants?

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