



- » **Bioethics Education, Awareness-Raising, and Capacity Building**
- » **Ethics and Infectious Disease Control**
- » **Research Ethics**
- » **Global Bioethics Network**

Terms of Reference



Activities



01

To collaborate in research projects under WHO leadership in the field of bioethics, public health ethics and research ethics

Capacity-building: workshops, conferences, and short courses

» Awareness-raising and capacity-building activities in ethics and health and technical assistance to Member States.

» Joint workshops, conferences, and short courses (with jointly selected participants).

» Organisation/co-hosting of international workshops, conferences, and short courses on bioethics and public health ethics – especially in the areas of infectious disease, research, and justice issues regarding access to essential medicines.

» Dissemination of WHO guidance pertaining to ethics and health.
» Strengthening of capacity and competence in bioethics and public health ethics in Western Pacific Region.

02

To assist WHO in developing materials for educational purposes in bioethics, public health ethics and research ethics

Ethical issues associated with infectious disease (e.g. pandemic influenza, tuberculosis, malaria, vaccination, surveillance)

» Provision of expert advice to WHO on ethical issues that arise in infectious disease control.

» Ethical issues raised by malaria, vaccination, and public health surveillance will be particular areas of focus.

» Development of WHO projects and guidance documents in this area.
» Development of educational materials, such as training modules and short courses.

» Contribution to WHO guidance documents.
» Educational resources (e.g. short course modules).

04

To participate in WHO consultations and the preparation and review of relevant documents on emerging issues in bioethics, public health ethics and research ethics

Research ethics (e.g. dual-use research, translational research, implementation research)

» Research and outreach activities in the area of research ethics, in particular regarding dual-use research in the biomedical sciences.

» Input to WHO publications.
» Workshops.
» Biosecurity network development.

05

To contribute to networking with other collaborative centres, institutional partners and experts

Global Network of WHO collaborating centres for Bioethics

» Foster the collaboration within the CC network and actively participate in its activities.

» Hosting of annual network meeting.
» Network strengthening and harnessing of synergies.