

WHO Collaborating Centre for the Family of International Classifications

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REVISED TERMS OF REFERENCE

Within the overall scope of WHO's plan of work on the Family of International Classifications:

- To promote the development and use of the WHO Family of International Classifications (WHO-FIC) including the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD), the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF), and other derived and related Classifications and to contribute to their implementation and improvement in the light of practical experience by multiple parties as a common language
- To contribute to the development of methodologies for the use of the WHO-FIC to facilitate the measurement of health states, interventions and outcomes on a sufficiently consistent and reliable basis to permit comparisons within countries over time and within and between countries at the same point in time. This includes the creation of comparable lists, correspondence tables and comparability studies
- To support the work of the various committees and work groups established to assist WHO in the development, testing, implementation, use, improvement, updating and revision of members of the WHO-FIC including: (i) Committees of Heads of WHO-FIC Centres such as the Planning Committee, (ii) Committees such as Implementation, Education, Update, Electronic Tools, Family Development and their Work groups
- To study aspects related to the structure, interpretation and application of members of the WHO-FIC including those concerning taxonomy, linguistics, terminology and nomenclature
- To network with current and potential users of the WHO-FIC and act as a reference centre
- To stimulate the preparation of teaching materials and to organize and conduct training courses on the implementation and use of WHO-FIC. To contribute to the development of common international training tools and Internet-based applications by preparing translations and adaptations of the tools
- To prepare members of the WHO-FIC and other relevant materials in the Dutch language and to act as a reference centre for that language on all matters related to the WHO-FIC
- To provide support to existing and potential users of the WHO-FIC and of the data thus derived in Dutch speaking countries
- To work on at least one related and/or derived member of the WHO-FIC: specialty-based adaptations, primary care adaptations, interventions/procedures, injury classification (ICECI, service
- To participate in the quality assurance procedures of the WHO-FIC classifications regarding norms for use, training and data collection and application rules
- To present periodic reports of the Centre's activities to the annual meetings of the WHO Collaborating Centres for the Family of International Classifications (WHO-FIC)