"YOUR COMMITMENT IS MY FUTURE..."

We are looking for aspiring and current health, development and WASH professionals, under age 35, to raise your voices alongside the UN Secretary-General because what happens next is going to impact you.

Secretary-General Guterres sounded the alarm on one of the most catastrophic, on-going global health crises hidden in plain site: the worldwide lack of water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) inside hospitals and clinics. Healthcare facilities are hotbeds of preventable infections, pandemics and antimicrobial resistance. The UNSG issued a call for commitments to change this desperate situation.

The good news is, the international community is starting to listen. They need to hear directly from you about why this crisis is foundational to your ability to care for the sick, prevent disease and pandemics, build safe facilities, have healthy babies, serve your communities and stay safe.

AS ASPIRING YOUNG LEADERS, GLOBAL LEADERS NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU:

Global Water 2020 and the Global Health Council will bring your voice to the global stage via a video campaign. It will launch on June 19th, featured at the first-ever WASH in Healthcare Facilities Commitments Gathering at the Pan American Health Organization in Washington, DC, where global leaders from government, NGOs, philanthropy, corporations, research, tech and faith will gather. Because their tangible and actionable commitments will fundamentally affect your safety and success, your voice will drive the message home as no other.

WANT TO BE FEATURED IN THIS GLOBAL VIDEO CAMPAIGN? IT’S SIMPLE!

In a quiet and well-lit place, record a brief message (no longer than 15-20 seconds using your smartphone or camera) stating what WASH in healthcare facilities means to you and your future. Begin your statement with “Your commitment is my future, because...” Here are some ideas you are free to adapt. But don’t be afraid to make it personal —

- “Your commitment is my future, because... I made an oath to do no harm as a doctor/nurse/midwife/pharmacist/healthcare administrator....”
- “Your commitment is my future, because... I [am/will be PROFESSION] and I know everyone deserves the dignity and safety of WASH, especially in healthcare facilities.”
- “Your commitment is my future, because... I want to live in a world free from the threat of antimicrobial resistance.”
- “Your commitment is my future, because... I don’t want the birth of my first child to be my last.”
- “Your commitment is my future, because... I shouldn’t risk contracting Ebola while on the job.”
- “Your commitment is my future, because... when I go to the doctor, I go to get better not sicker.”
- “Your commitment is my future, because... I might not be here if the hospital I was born in didn’t have clean water.”
- “Your commitment is my future, because... I don’t want to die in childbirth.”
- “Your commitment is my future, because... I don’t want my patient to die in childbirth.”

EXTENDED DEADLINE: June 7, 2019, midnight
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