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## **A Joint Press Release by Ministry of Health Malaysia and World Health Organization (WHO)**

### **World Health day – Together For Health. Stand with Science**

In conjunction with World Health Day on 7 April 2026, the Ministry of Health Malaysia (MOH), in collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO) for Malaysia, Brunei Darussalam and Singapore, joins the global community in commemorating this significant occasion through the theme “Together for Health. Stand with Science.” This year’s theme underscores the importance of scientific collaboration in protecting the health of humans, animals, plants, and the environment as a whole through the One Health approach.

Aligned with the MADANI Government’s aspirations and the Health Service Delivery Reform agenda, Malaysia is advancing systemic reforms to future-proof its healthcare system. Key policy priorities include strengthening digital health infrastructure, enhancing interoperability across health systems, standardising health data governance, and developing integrated platforms that support evidence-based decision-making across clinical services, laboratories, surveillance systems, and public health programs. The Ministry is also scaling the adoption of artificial intelligence (AI) as a strategic enabler in healthcare delivery and public health. Current implementations include AI assisted screening, diagnostic support, disease forecasting, and targeted population health interventions, aimed at improving efficiency, accuracy, and equity in health services.

Malaysia continues to operationalise the One Health framework through strengthened cross-sectoral coordination involving human, animal, and environmental health. Strategic initiatives such as the IHR–PVS National Bridging Workshop and the Mid-Term Review of the National Strategic Plan for Zoonosis have reinforced national policy coherence in areas including food safety, antimicrobial resistance, environmental health, and health security. The integration of environmental and health data remains a key policy focus to enhance risk assessment, climate adaptation planning, and system resilience.



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YB Datuk Seri Hj Dzulkefly Ahmad, Minister of Health Malaysia emphasised that Malaysia’s health policy must remain adaptive, evidence-based, and forward-looking in addressing increasingly complex health challenges. He reaffirmed the Government’s commitment to sustained investment in health system strengthening, data-driven policymaking, and international collaboration. Dr. Rabindra Abeyasinghe, WHO Representative to Malaysia, Brunei Darussalam and Singapore added, “This World Health Day 2026 WHO in Malaysia continues its strong collaboration with the National Authorities led by the Ministry of Health, and partners through bringing the power of global scientific collaboration to address the health challenges, protect communities, and further advance equitable access to care.”

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