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**2014 Annual Meeting  
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**CONCURRENT SESSION 5**

**"Detecting, Containing, & Preventing the Spread  
of Outbreaks under IHR: Impact of a PHEIC  
Declaration"**

# PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OF INTERNATIONAL CONCERN (I)

- **IHR 2005 reform**
- **PHEIC defined as an event that :**
  - is serious, unusual or unexpected
  - constitutes a public health risk to other states by international spread
  - has implications beyond the affected country
  - requires a coordinated international response that may be immediate
- **The responsibility of declaring a PHEIC:**
  - is with the **WHO Director-General**
  - based on the advices of an **IHR Emergency Committee**
- **The Committee advises WHO Director General:**
  - on immediate measures and for the full duration of the **PHEIC**
  - if inconsistency in assessing the event between **WHO & affected countries**

# **PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OF INTERNATIONAL CONCERN (II)**

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- **In the recent past WHO:**
  - declared polio & Ebola as PHEIC
  - did not for MERS-CoV
- **Opportunity to discuss the issue from the practical experience of NPHI in implementing these global decisions**

## **AIM OF THE SESSION**

- **To illustrate how NPHIs contribute to IHR implementation**
- **To share experience of NPHI in:**
  - **responding to PHEIC**
  - **implementing decisions related to PHEIC**
- **Lessons to be learned from this experience**

# THE SESSION

- **Case studies,**
  - Amanullah Khan, Pakistan Institute of Public Health
  - Bashir Noormal, Afghanistan NPHI
  - Abderrahmane Maaroufi, Ministry of Health, Maroco
  - Mammunur Malik, WHO/EMRO
- **Interactive discussion with session participants**