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Dear Ms Söber,

**Request for nomination of a rehabilitation focal point to complete the
WHO global survey for rehabilitation indicators**

We would like to bring your attention to the initiative “Rehabilitation 2030: a call for action” launched by WHO in 2017 to improve governance and investment in rehabilitation and which lead Member States at the World Health Assembly to unanimously endorse the Resolution WHA 76.6 ‘Strengthening Rehabilitation in Health Systems’. The resolution requests the Director-General of WHO ‘to develop, with input from Member States, a baseline report with information on the capacity of Member States to respond to existing and foreseeable rehabilitation needs, and to report on progress on the implementation of the Resolution to the World Health Assembly in 2026, 2028, and 2030’.

Following this request, the Department for NCD and Mental Health at WHO Headquarters conducted a global consultation with Member States to select rehabilitation indicators for global reporting. We are pleased to inform you that a global effort will now be organized in November 2026-January 2027 for the reporting on a survey to populate the set of global rehabilitation indicators. An effort has been made to align with existing regional frameworks and indicators for rehabilitation. A concept note for this activity, the survey sample, and the global rehabilitation indicators can be found enclosed.

To participate, we would appreciate if you could kindly nominate a focal person with knowledge on rehabilitation and who will be responsible for responding to the global rehabilitation survey on behalf of your member state. We look forward to receiving your nomination with (1) name, (2) title/position, and (3) email address/contact details, at your earliest convenience and no later than **September 25th 2026**.

Shirin Kiani, Technical Officer, Rehabilitation & Disability Inclusion, is responsible for this activity - if you can kindly provide your nominee to her at kianis@who.int with euorehab@who.int in copy that would be most appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Dr Natasha Azzopardi Muscat
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Concept Note and global rehabilitation indicators

Global Status Report on Rehabilitation (2028) Questionnaire

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