

The International Association of National Public Health Institutes (IANPHI) collectively builds public health capacity and capabilities by connecting, developing and strengthening **national public health institutes** worldwide.



## What Are National Public Health Institutes?

National public health institutes (NPHIs) are science-based organizations that provide national leadership and coordination for public health, often under the ministry of health or closely attached to it. They vary in scope and size. Their [core public health functions](#) often include:

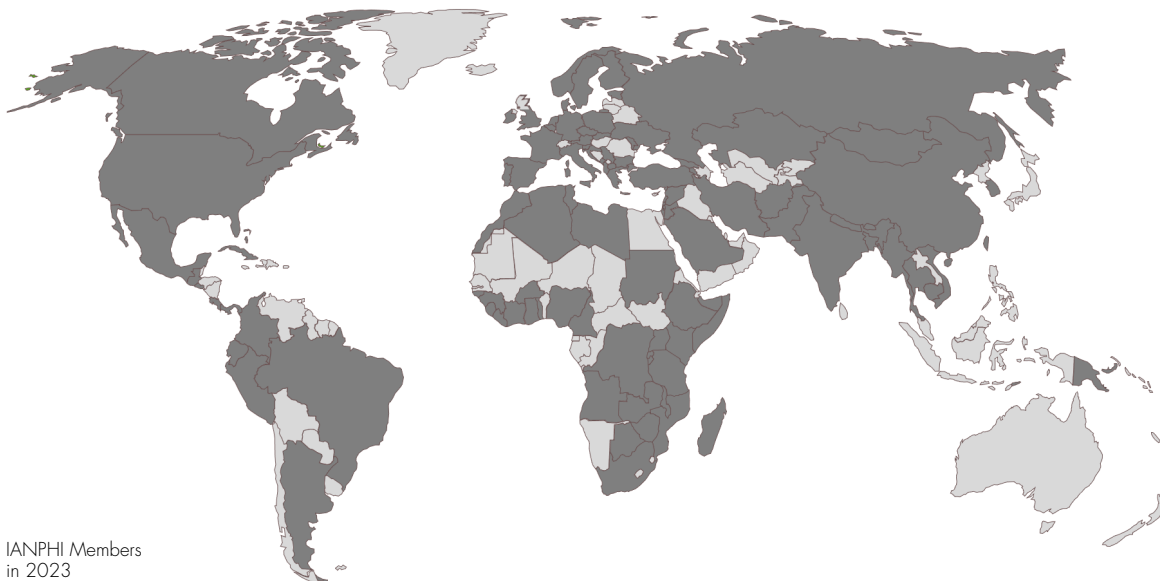
- Evaluation and analysis of health status
- Public health surveillance, problem investigation, and control of risks and threats to public health
- Reduction of the impact of emergencies and disasters on health
- Public health research
- Human resource development and training
- Public health laboratory services

## What Makes IANPHI Unique?

IANPHI is the only global organization that strengthens NPHIs using an evidence-based international framework for development, a peer-to-peer model and targeted investments.

IANPHI's unique focus on NPHIs has led to improvements in capacity, including outbreak surveillance and response for COVID-19, Ebola, Zika, and other urgent threats that require swift, comprehensive public health cooperation across borders. IANPHI members also exchange best practices and technical capacity for major threats to public health such as tobacco use, and risk factors for chronic conditions such as diabetes and heart disease.

We are a global community of 115 national public health institutes in 98 countries whose scientific advisors work together to protect and improve the public's health and build a more equitable world.



### How We Operate

Founded in 2006, IANPHI has the status of an international non-profit association under Belgian law. IANPHI is led by a president, vice president and an executive board comprised of directors from our member institutes. The IANPHI Secretariat is hosted by Sante publique France near Paris and the IANPHI U.S. Office is hosted by Emory University's Global Health Institute in Atlanta.

IANPHI is funded by membership dues and a cooperative agreement between the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the IANPHI U.S. Office. IANPHI also relies on the in-kind support and expertise of its member institutes and project-based funding.

### Regional Approach and Partnerships

IANPHI's regional networks – Africa; Asia; Europe; and Latin America and the Caribbean – help facilitate the exchange of knowledge, best practices and technical assistance between members with a focus on regional priorities.

Collaborating at this level enables IANPHI to mobilize its partnerships with regional and international organizations, including the World Health Organization's regional offices, extending collaboration established at the global level. The development of strong partnerships with regional and international organizations is highly valued by IANPHI to enhance the building of public health capabilities worldwide.

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**There cannot be a more important moment to recognize the critical contribution of national public health institutes to protecting and improving the health of our citizens.**

– Professor Duncan Selbie, president of IANPHI

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