



**THE INTERCONNECTIVITY AND SHARED  
CHALLENGES OF HEALTHCARE AND  
PLANETARY HEALTH**

# PLANETARY HEALTH

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The achievement of the highest attainable standard of health, wellbeing, and equity worldwide through judicious attention to the human systems—political, economic, and social—that shape the future of humanity and the Earth's natural systems that define the safe environmental limits within which humanity can flourish.

Put simply, planetary health is  
**the health of human civilisation and the state of the natural systems on which it depends.**

# TechMed Event > The **interconnectivity** **Planetary health &** **Healthcare**

Number of participants: 32

 **1. Which issues within planetary health & healthcare should be addressed first? (include your name)**

36 respondents

Integrate Sustainability perspective in decisionmaking, just like financial or ethical perspective.

Call out a war on climate change to speed up system transitions

Identify GPs who are willing to change... e.g Dutch communities where GPs prescribe fewer antibiotics

Increase acceptance of a less high living standard (including maybe not always receiving optimal care)

What are the opportunities to connect individual based research with ecological based approaches who takes into account the macro level in science to improve awareness for example what can we learn from different research cultures in fact

Planetary health should be a mandatory part of health care quality, not just depended on individual doctors/researchers

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Start learning to die, that this is part of life

Footprint benefit analysis driven descions.

Reduce influence of pharma in medical curricula.

Re-usables, vs infection prevention

Fran: The direct impact of air quality to cardiovascular and respiratory system makes is and environmental and healthcare issue

Education on disease prevention

Health at the center of climate policy

Connecting with nature - which makes that we realize our interconnectedness and could do with less

More focus on quality of life then survival

Teach about healthy life early in schools

No longer accept the care to be linear - system Challenge

Place responsibility of health at the patient

System approach

Adress disposables

Technology innovation

Interdisciplinary communication and cooperation

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Innovate to make existing treatments carbon neutral

Define what is the meaning of good health

Personal benefits vs. communal benefits

Prevention

Differ between Impact of healthcare on planet/climate and impact of climate change on health

Prevention

Annemarie: make a transition from care to prevention

Include nutrition in medical studies

Get people more in charge for their health and away from a thinking that medicine can repair everything!


Integration into (bio)medical education

Marlies: skills for healthcare professionals in promoting planetary health

Gabriëlle

Creating awareness and urgency

Win win win of a plant based diet

 **2. What are the potential solutions or outcome directions for the previously mentioned issues within planetary health and healthcare? (include all names)**

11 respondents

Help (skill) scientists engage in political discussions

Putting sustainability central in Healthcare policy, just like quality and safety. Make more budget available. Focus on creating more knowledge to make Healthcare sustainable

Education to create a change of mindset

Join health bloc of climate march 12th nov

Less focus on national level, but think globally.

Inter-/transdisciplinary PH education

Sustainability as quality indicator!

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Vote 'green' later this month.

Jutta: for long-term effects we need better education towards healthier lifestyle & for quick impact find & pick low hanging fruits.

Divert funding to zero footprint treatment

New profitable business models for sustainable medical devices.

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