



Special event of the Pacific Health Ministers on the Healthy Islands vision

Yanuca Island, Fiji | 25 October 2025



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Celebrating the journey towards Healthy Islands

Pacific Health Ministers unite on Yanuca Island, Fiji, to commemorate the 30th anniversary of the Healthy Islands vision. This special event brings together Pacific island countries and areas to reflect on key achievements and challenges in health and is an opportunity to shape a renewed approach aligned with the [2050 Strategy for the Blue Pacific Continent Towards Healthy Islands 2050](#).

Grounded in regional solidarity, innovation, and cultural identity, the Healthy Islands vision aims to inspire collective action toward a healthier, more resilient Pacific. Thirty years ago, Pacific Health Ministers came together on Yanuca Island, Fiji, to adopt the Healthy Islands vision. Two decades later, in 2015, the vision was reaffirmed and expanded with a fifth and final line, completing a powerful and enduring statement of aspiration.



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The Healthy Islands vision imagines a Pacific where:

Children are nurtured in body and mind

Environments invite learning and leisure

People work and age with dignity

Ecological balance is a source of pride

The ocean which sustains us is protected

For 30 years, this vision has guided the biennial Pacific Health Ministers Meetings and has become a symbol of regional unity in advancing health. It has inspired collective action, shaped national and regional health policies and strengthened Pacific solidarity. The vision also reflects the integrated, people-centred approach that underpins WHO's collaboration with Pacific island countries and areas and partners.

For more information, please visit:



[Healthy Islands web page](#)



Detailed programme of activities

09:00 – 09:15	<i>Registration at Ratu Makutu Event Centre (Shangri-La)</i>
09:15 – 10:00	Opening ceremony: • Opening prayer • Welcome remarks • Opening remarks • Administrative announcements
10:00 – 10:45	Ceremonial activity with group photographs and morning refreshments
10:45 – 11:30	Progress towards the Healthy Islands vision after 30 years • Presentation of progress in the last 30 years • Discussion – reflections and experience exchange
11:30 – 12:15	Philippine-Pacific Health Initiative
12:15 – 12:45	Pacific Specialist Healthcare



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12:45 – 14:15	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:15 – 14:45	Re-launch of the Pacific Open Learning Health Net (POLHN)
14:45 – 15:10	Towards Healthy Islands 2050 • Present the new vision and strategic shifts
15:10 – 15:30	<i>Afternoon break and refreshments</i>
15:30 – 16:30	Towards Healthy Islands 2050 • Discussion
16:30 – 16:50	Any other business
16:50 – 17:05	Conclusions and recommendations
17:05 – 17:10	Closure of meeting and closing prayer
17:10 – 18:00	<i>Free time</i>
18:00 – 20:00	Regional Director's reception Celebrating 30 years of the Healthy Islands vision



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