Engaging parliamentarians in improving road safety

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Aims of Regional Networks

- Draw attention to road safety issues that are relevant to their regional context
- Share solutions across countries in the same region
- Serve as Regional Chapters of the Global Network for Road Safety Legislators
- Unite regional voices of MPs at the Leadership Council of the Global Network
Deaths by road user types vary by region

Source: Global Status Report on Road Safety 2018
ASEAN-WHO South-East Asia Regional Network

- Place more attention motorcycle safety and pedestrians.
Eastern-Mediterranean Regional Network
Piloting legislative change initiative in countries in the region

Legislative review, assessment and recommendation

- Law/regulations review
  - Assess "comprehensiveness"
  - Provide technical recommendations for change
  - High level consultation and other meetings to set priorities and agree on next steps

Stakeholder and political* mapping

- Political mapping*
- NGO mapping

New/ amendment to law & regulations

- Government national assembly and regulatory processes

Capacity-building for journalists and editors through the WHO Journalism Fellowship.
Capacity-building for lawyers and civil society through the WHO Legal Development Programme.

Advocating for policy change

Tools & resources
- GSRRS assessment details (baseline)
- Terms of Reference for reviewers
- Technical support pre- and post review
- Resources on good practice
- Country examples

* As available from other partner organizations
Non-communicable diseases news

The Latin American Parliamentary Road Safety Network Was Formed

On September 9th, 2019, the Latin American Parliamentary Network for Road Safety was formed, as a result of the efforts promoted by PAHO / WHO to strengthen and harmonize legislation on health and road safety. The Network seeks to share and promote innovative legislative actions that have proven useful in reducing injuries and deaths due to traffic collisions.
Beyond 2020: Global Network

- Unite voices of MPs under a “Global Network” umbrella
  - Sweden 2020
  - Next UN General Assembly debate in 2020
- Encourage the development of a regional/subregional chapters where one does not exist
- Engage with global and regional parliamentary bodies: Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and engage with the Inter-Parliamentary Union
Beyond 2020: Regional networks

- Harmonization where appropriate in region/subregion
- Promote exchanges of best practice between MPs in the region
- Advocate for and encourage discussions of road safety issues through other existing mechanisms (e.g. the Asia Pacific Parliamentarian Forum on Global Health, ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly)
- Strengthen regional networks through cooperation and collaboration among its members
Beyond 2020: Country level

- Increase support in the parliament
- Engage potential MPs in road safety advocacy activities
- Create mechanisms through which stakeholders can inform/support/advocate for MPs on road safety issues
- Promote the Parliamentary Friends of Road Safety
- Link MPs with the regional network