



COA Holds Healthcare Series Roundtable in Bogotá to Address Pandemic Preparedness

On July 24, Council of the Americas convened a group of experts to discuss key priorities in Colombia's public health agenda and develop pandemic preparedness strategies to be adopted by the government going forward.

July 24, 2023—The Council of the Americas held a roundtable discussion on July 24 in Bogotá as part of its [Healthcare Series](#) which addresses key challenges and growing opportunities in healthcare systems across the Americas with the goal of developing solutions to address the challenges that arose from the Covid-19 pandemic. The roundtable convened policymakers, government representatives, scientific associations, academia, and thought leaders to discuss the lessons learned over the past three years and to develop strategies to be adopted by governments going forward.

In the Colombian context, the roundtable discussed the urgent need to include pandemic preparedness as a key priority in the country's public health agenda and to incorporate measures that focus on the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of infectious diseases. Participants stressed that actions and strategies adopted in the last three years should be capitalized on and consolidated—not only in the face of new emergencies but also as the country continues to navigate current public health challenges.

Through its Healthcare Series, the Council of the Americas looks forward to continuing supporting the Colombian government and finding ways in which we can collaborate on the health agenda, particularly as the country navigates this new era following the end of the Covid-19 public health emergency.

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