

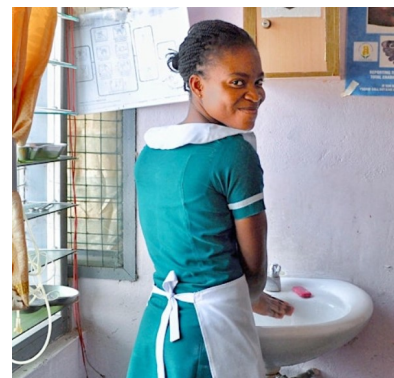
WASH NEWS

WASH ROTARY ACTION GROUP

Fundamentals of WASH in Healthcare

Emory University is once again offering its excellent "**Fundamentals of WASH in Healthcare Facilities**" course. This Certificate online, self-paced course takes 5-6 hours to complete and is open to all. This comprehensive course provides an understanding of the essential principles and practices of WASH in healthcare settings.

For more Information and to Register



Lights . . . Cameras . . . ACTION !

Once again, the WASH Rotary Action Group is holding a WASH Photo and Video Competition, with \$1,500 in prize money and amazing bragging rights.

You can upload your photographs and videos starting on December 1, 2024. Look for details on sizes, and permissions in the November WASH Newsletter and on the WASH-RAG website (www.wash-rag.org)



NEW !! - WASH Project Portal

The WASH Rotary Action Group is very excited to be releasing a location for Rotary and Rotaract Clubs to upload and promote their Global Grant WASH Projects to obtain partners and financing.

To see the projects submitted or to submit your Club's Global Grant, go to [WASH Project Center](#).



Get \$\$ for your Global Grant

Our Professional Services Team will review your Global Grant before it is submitted to The Rotary Foundation and give you suggestions that will increase its chances of being approved by the Foundation.

If you make the changes we suggest and the Grant is approved, the WASH Rotary Action Group will provide your Club with \$2,000 for allowing us to review it.

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Toilets: A Place for Peace

November 19 is World Toilet Day.

"Safe Toilets for all by 2030" is one of the targets of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SD6)- But the world is seriously off track.

This year's theme is "Toilets: A Place for Peace." This essential space, at the centre of our lives, should be safe and secure. But for billions of people, sanitation is threatened by conflict, climate change, disasters, and neglect.

Go to [World Toilet Day](#) and get resources.

[UN World Toilet Day website.](#)



Time to get Your Membership

Recently, we accidentally sent a membership renewal notice to **ALL** members. If you did not get a notice, you are not a member. WASH-RAG is proud of its 1,300 members, but nearly 20,000 people read this newsletter monthly, meaning 90% of our readers are NOT members. Memberships are only \$25 a year, or \$100 for five years.

[Support WASH-RAG ... Join Today](#)



We are Changing the Newsletter

One advantage of moving our Membership software to iMember is the opportunity to change how we create and distribute the WASH Newsletter.

As we change the software we are using, it is a good time to review what people like and what we should eliminate. Send your comments and ideas to info@wash-rag.org.

Whether you are a WASH-RAG member, or not (see above), you will continue to receive the monthly newsletter, but expect to see some changes.



Fill Your Brain With WASH

October provides two excellent opportunities to learn more about WASH. Both programs can be attended in person or virtually.

The **UNC Water and Health Conference: Science, Policy, and Practice** will be held October 14-18. To learn more visit [UNC Water & Health Conference](#).

For 15 years, District 5450 has been holding an excellent WASH Symposium in Denver, CO. This year, the event will be held on October 19. To learn more, visit [WASH Symposium](#).



Learn Even More ... Sustainable Sanitation

World Water Summit 16, held at the Singapore Convention, featured an excellent program on sustainable sanitation. Now, everyone can watch the program for free.



Watch the WWS16 Videos

Ambassador Corner

We now have over 100 **WASH Ambassadors** spread across seven regions, which tailors the program to the language, culture, and geography of the area. Ongoing technical training is an essential component of the program, and a monthly webinar provides in-depth training on various topics.

Recently, there has been a focus on the Circuit Rider concept, which has become a characteristic of sustainable WASH Programs.



Make a Difference

The WASH Rotary Action Group is divided into two sections: the Board of Directors, which sets policy. Elections to the Board happen once a year.

The other section is the Operations Team, which does many activities, from reviewing Global Grants to WASH Ambassadors. We are always looking for new people to get involved.



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Calendar of Events

14-18 Oct - [UNC Water & Health Conference](#) Chapel Hill, NC

15 Oct - [Global Hand Washing Day](#)

19 Oct - [District 5450 WASH Symposium](#) Denver, CO

24 Oct - [World Polio Day](#)

19 Nov - [World Toilet Day](#)

22 Mar 2025 - [World Water Day](#)

28 May 2025 - [World Menstrual Hygiene Day](#)

WASH Calendar

WASH Ambassador Blessing Muderhwa, is now maintaining the [Calendar](#) on the [WASH-RAG.ORG](#) website. If you have something you want on the Calendar, send it to calendar@wash-rag.org

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Submit your stories, videos, and pictures for upcoming Newsletters to us at atinfo@wash-rag.org.

WASH-RAG reserves the right to edit stories for length and content. By submitting a story you give us permission to publish and make public your contact information including but not limited to your email or club's website.

The WASH Rotary Action Group is pleased to consider partnerships with any corporate supporter. Due to the unique attributes of water sources and water provision, accepting corporate support does not imply an

endorsement of any particular water technology. Rotarians, Rotary Clubs, and Rotary partners must evaluate any technology to determine if it is the best solution for the conditions where the program will be implemented. The WASH Rotary Action Group can provide guidance about where different technologies work best, but Rotarians and Rotary clubs must decide how to implement their programs.

This Rotary Action Group is recognized and operates in accordance with Rotary International policy, but is not an agency of, or controlled by, Rotary International. To learn more please contact the WASH Rotary Action Group by email at info@wash-rag.org Thank you.

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