



## **Message of solidarity with the people and the healthcare community in Ukraine**

At the International Hospital Federation, the voice of hospitals worldwide, we have been following with deepest concern the escalating crisis in Ukraine and worry for the safety, health, and wellbeing of all impacted civilians.

We echo the statement of WHO/Europe, “the right to health and access to services must always be protected, not least during times of crisis”.

Hospitals, health workers, and ambulances should not, and should never be, a target. We stand in solidarity with the people and the healthcare community in Ukraine. The safety of healthcare workers and infrastructures must be ensured and respected to enable them to provide care to the people despite the context.

Our thoughts are with all those affected by the conflict, and we sincerely hope the situation will be resolved soon.

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