

# *World Health Organization says nations must be better prepared for next pandemic*

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Geneva, September 10 (RHC)-- World Health Organization Director General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus said the world must be better prepared for the next pandemic, as he called on countries to invest in public health.

More than 27.1 million people have been reported to be infected by the novel coronavirus globally and more than 888,300 have died since the first cases were identified in China in December 2019.

"This will not be the last pandemic," Tedros told a news briefing in Geneva. "History teaches us that outbreaks and pandemics are a fact of life. But when the next pandemic comes, the world must be ready -- more ready than it was this time."

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