Inclusion of OSH Wording in the UN TB Resolution

The United Nations General Assembly held a unique meeting on September 26, 2018 to address the global tuberculosis (TB) epidemic in many low and middle income countries. The TB Resolution includes wording due to a year of strong efforts by ICOH, IOHA and partners internationally who could reach the government leadership.

The "Political declaration of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the fight against tuberculosis: United to end tuberculosis" is located at http://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/RES/73/3 .

See Paragraph 17 where health care workers, miners and others exposed to silica are identified as highly vulnerable groups. See Paragraph 31 which includes our suggested wording. It says "Commit to ... implementing primary prevention in high-risk occupations by reducing silica dust exposure in mining, construction and other dusty workplaces, and worker tuberculosis surveillance and infection prevention and control in health-care settings";

Persons who are not familiar with the **details of the ICOH TB effort** can find the ICOH TB Statements, links to ICOH Newsletter reports about our activities, and the list of currently 70 Endorser organizations at <u>http://www.icohweb.org/site/ICOH-TB-Statements.asp</u>