

# Global Liver Institute

## LIVER HEALTH IS PUBLIC HEALTH

Liver disease affects an estimated  
**1.5 BILLION PEOPLE**  
 in the world today.



*Clinical Gastroenterology and Hepatology, 2020*

Global Liver Institute (GLI) launched the Liver Health is Public Health initiative in response to the fact that **liver conditions remain misunderstood, mischaracterized, and stigmatized**, leading to under-diagnosis, under-treatment, and unnecessarily poor outcomes worldwide. The more we look into global liver health, the more we see common trends, not only regarding the epidemiological data, but also the common unpreparedness of national health systems to face a “tidal wave” of liver diseases.

This multi-year initiative addresses ongoing challenges to shift the conversation on liver health through continuous interaction with international advocacy groups, doctors, health care practitioners, liver patient advocates, ambassadors, and more. **Through this effort, GLI will propel policymakers to move the needle toward collective action for better liver health.**

### 2025 GOALS

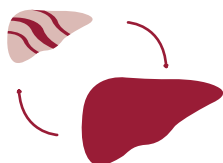


- Feature **8 additional countries** in the 4th edition of the *Global State of Liver Health* report
- Develop and release the 2nd edition of the *Best Practices in Liver Health Policy* report featuring 5 countries with innovative policies in action
- Convene another edition of “Together for Better Liver Health,” side event to the World Health Assembly in Geneva
- Increase involvement in key strategic international events: WHA, EASL, UNGA, AASLD
- Lead the submission of a health proposition to the High-Level Meeting of the UN General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) in order for metabolic dysfunction-associated liver disease to be recognized as an NCD.



Together for Better Liver Health, WHA77 side event, Geneva, Switzerland

Learn more



Liver transplantation is the **2ND MOST COMMON** solid organ transplantation

*Medscape, 2022*

## Achievements

- Organized a policy event on the sidelines of the World Health Assembly 77 titled “Together for Better Liver Health: Amplifying Best Practices Globally” featuring ministers, global experts, and key opinion leaders
- Launching of the *Best Practices in Liver Health Policy* report
- Development and dissemination of *Global State of Liver Health* report, an informative and succinct deep dive into selected countries with insights from a local liver expert who helps us read through the lines of the scientific data. This report is the stepping stone to begin successful conversations with different national state health representatives.
  - 1st edition, November 2022
  - 2nd edition, November 2023
  - 3rd edition, December 2024
- Creation of Liver Health Basics booklet, a resource for basic understanding of liver health, liver functions, symptoms, major types, and more.



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## Worldwide Involvement

GLI advances the Liver Health is Public Health message and movement through partnerships and presentations around the globe. We bridge the gap between liver patients, scientific societies, and policymakers. We prepare the ground for a collaborative effort that will positively impact the patients' lives through activities that include the following:

- “Together for Better Liver Health: Amplifying Best Practices Globally” with EASL, WHA side event on liver health (*Geneva, Switzerland*)
- Champion Conversations, moderation of panels on access to care, and poster presentation on fatty liver disease at *American Public Health Association Annual Meeting 2023, 2024 (Atlanta/Minneapolis, USA)*
- “Elevating Liver Health on the European Public Health Policy Agenda” with European Liver Patients’ Association (ELPA) at the European Parliament (*Brussels, Belgium*)
- “Transforming Metabolic Health in Mexico” meeting at Instituto Nacional de Ciencias Médicas y Nutrición “Salvador Zubirán” (*Mexico City, Mexico*)
- “Diabetes & NASH: Perspectives of Prevention and Management” with DiaLeb at the American University of Beirut (*Beirut, Lebanon*)
- “Liver Health Focus Group Discussion in the Philippines” (*Manila, Philippines*)
- “Fatty Liver, Is this another pandemic?” with ELPA at the European Parliament (*Brussels, Belgium*)



EASL congress, Milan, Italy



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