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Calendar of international health days
September – December 2014

September

Wednesday 10 september

World Suicide Prevention Day

→ *Objective*: To develop new methods for prevention without the information remaining the preserve of experts.

→ *Who organises it?* The International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP) and the World Health Organization (WHO). See the website of the French National Union for the Prevention of Suicide (UNPS)

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Friday 12 September

World Sepsis Day

→ *Objective*: To encourage advances and good practices that support action on serious infections.

→ *Who organises it?* The Institut Pasteur

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Monday 15 –Thursday 25 september

World Lymphoma Awareness Days

→ *Objective*: To inform the general public about this particular form of blood cancer, which has nearly doubled in incidence in developed countries in the last twenty years.

→ *Who organises it?* The patient association *France Lymphome Espoir* (France Lymphoma Hope), under the aegis of the *Lymphoma Coalition*.

Latest news /Inserm teams:

Press release : Identification of a new mechanism in the most commonly used immunotherapy for lymphoma - 2013

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Sunday 21 september

World Alzheimer's day

→ *Objective*: To make Alzheimer's disease a priority for public health, given that the number of patients will double by 2030.

→ *Who organises it?* The France Alzheimer and Related Diseases union of associations.

Latest news /Inserm teams:

Press releases:

Alzheimer's disease: simplified diagnosis, with more reliable criteria- june 2014

Caffeine and Alzheimer's disease : a link with tau protein- april 2014

Major advance in understanding Alzheimer's disease: 11 new genetic susceptibility factors discovered - october 2013

A new therapeutic strategy to combat prion and Alzheimer's diseases - august 2013

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World Myeloid Leukemia (CML) Awareness Day

→ *Objective*: To make the public aware of this form of blood cancer.

→ *Who organises it?* The LMC France association.

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World Deaf Day

→ *Objective*: To make the public aware of sign language, and the difficulties experienced daily by deaf people.

→ *Who organises it?* The World Federation of the Deaf.

Latest news /Inserm teams:

Press releases :

Mild hearing impairment may indicate greater underlying problems - june 2014

Treatrush (TreatRetUsher): combating Usher Syndrome blindness – European collaboration in the service of a rare disease - February 2013

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Monday 29 september

World Heart Day

→ *Objective*: The objective is to encourage individuals to maintain a healthy heart, and includes preventing cardiovascular disease.

→ *Who organises it?* The World Heart Federation, with support from WHO.

Latest news /Inserm teams:

Press releases:

A new treatment for heart attack will soon be available for emergency teams and the emergency ambulance service (SAMU) - october 2013

Job strain and coronary heart disease linked – September 2012

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October

Thursday 9 October

World Sight Day

→ *Objective*: To make the population aware of problems related to blindness, and to make the adjustment easier for the visually impaired. Disease prevention is also an important part of this event.

→ *Who organises it?* Lions Clubs International, WHO

Latest news /Inserm teams:

Press releases:

Seven genetic risk factors associated with AMD - mars 2013

Treatrush (TreatRetUsher): combating Usher Syndrome blindness – European collaboration in the service of a rare disease - février 2013

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Saturday 11 october

National “Dys” day

→ *Objective*: To promote the detection and diagnosis of the following disorders: dyslexia, dysphasia, dyspraxia, dysgraphia, etc., to improve the knowledge of these problems and to improve support for those affected.

→ *Who organises it?* French Federation of Dys (FFDys).

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Wednesday 29 October

World Stroke Day

→ *Objective*: To inform the public about the symptoms that precede a stroke (CVA), to enable more rapid care.

→ *Who organises it?* The French NeuroVascular Society (SFNV)

Latest news /Inserm teams:

Press releases :

Treatment with HDL cholesterol to aid thrombolysis - february 2013

History of stroke and coronary heart disease – a fatal combination - february 2013

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World Psoriasis Day

→ *Objective*: To inform the general public about the features of this disease and its potential progress.

→ *Who organises it?* France Psoriasis

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November

12-15 November

National Epilepsy Day

→ *Objective*: Epilepsy is a neurological disease. It is the expression of abnormal brain activity, which is still poorly understood. This is why patients, physicians and researchers take action on the French Day for Epilepsy to publicise the challenges and advances in research.

→ *Who organises it?* The French League Against Epilepsy (LFCE)

Latest news /Inserm teams:

Press releases :

Epileptic seizure: a primitive brain activity with mechanisms that are conserved across species - june 2014

Prevention of risk of sudden death in epilepsy - september 2013

A gene has been identified that is at cause in several forms of epilepsy with language dysfunction - august 2013

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Friday 14 November

World Diabetes Day

→ *Who organises it?* The International Diabetes Federation (IDF), supported by the World Health Organization (WHO).

→ *Objective*: Launched in 2011, World Diabetes Day is aimed at improving the knowledge of diabetes, its care and especially the means for its prevention.

Latest news /Inserm teams:

Press releases :

How fiber prevents diabetes and obesity - january 2014

Type 1 diabetes : regenerate our own insulin cells ? - june 2013

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Monday 17 November

World Prematurity Day

→ Who organises it? SOS Préma

→ *Objective*: A birth that occurs before the end of the 8th month of pregnancy is usually termed premature. Every year, over 65,000 infants are born prematurely in France, i.e. more than 8% of all births. This international day is first and foremost an opportunity to improve prevention of prematurity, monitoring of pregnancies, and care of families**.**

Latest news /Inserm teams:

Press release:

The Health and Care of Pregnant Women and Babies in Europe in 2010 - may 2013

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December

Lundi 1st December

World AIDS Day

→ *Objective*: World AIDS Day, which takes place on 1 December, provides an opportunity to bring together a large audience to improve people's knowledge of HIV/AIDS, and show international solidarity toward those affected by the pandemic.

Between 2011 and 2015, the theme for World AIDS Day will be "Getting to zero: Zero new HIV infections. Zero discrimination. Zero AIDS-related deaths."

Latest news /Inserm teams:

Press releases:

Circumcision effectively reduces the risk of HIV infection "in real life" - september 2013

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Mercredi 3rd december

World Day for the Disabled

→ *Objective*: To develop the recognition of rights for disabled people and make their lives easier to the greatest extent possible.

→ *Who organises it?* : The Handicap International association.

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