“14. Recognize the vital importance of Healthy Arctic communities. … welcome reports and recommendations on the One Health approach in the Arctic,”
Arctic Human Health Experts Group Priority Activities

- International Circumpolar Surveillance network
  - For infectious diseases
- Mental health and wellness
  - Suicide prevention in Indigenous populations
- Research ethics for the Arctic
- Water and sanitation services in the Arctic
- Build a One Health Network in the Arctic
Arctic Council One Health Initiative

Operationalizing a One Health Approach in the Arctic

Co-Leads: United States, Canada

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What was the Plan?

• **Gather** information and raise awareness:
  – Arctic One Health Survey
  – Knowledge sharing events and activities

• **Simulate** collaboration:
  – Table-top exercises
    • Anchorage, Feb 2017

• **Collaborate**
  – Establish One Health hubs
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What’s Next for One Health in the Arctic Council?

- Finland has joined as a co-Lead
  - Finland chairs the Arctic Council for 2017-19

- Emphasis on animal health/veterinary networks
  - Laboratory visits to identify practices in use
  - TremArctic Network on trematode parasites

- Study Tours
  - US looking to host a tour for Spring 2018

- Knowledge exchange sessions
  - International Congress on Circumpolar Health, 2018

- Table top exercise
  - Finland offered to host early 2019
17th INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON CIRCUMPOLAR HEALTH

August 12 – 15, 2018, Maersk Tower, Panum Institute, Copenhagen

Organisers: Danish Greenlandic Society for Circumpolar Health
International Union for Circumpolar Health

• Tri-annual congresses
• Any aspect of health in circumpolar areas and populations
• Focus on infectious diseases
• Anyone is welcome!

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