

WORLD VASECTOMY DAY CELEBRATION

Key Audiences **Men and Women Engaged in Family Planning
& Concerned Community Members
Healthcare Service Providers
Family Planning Community**

Date: **Friday Nov. 19, 2021
5:00p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18 --- 5:00p.m., Friday, Nov. 19 US EST**

While WVD appeals to very distinct audiences (men, women, doctors, health care advocates, media activists, institutions, and MoH), through a wide range of programs and activities, WVD culminates in a global celebration that brings them all together. This is, in essence, what transforms a ‘conference’ into a movement.

For 24 Hours, starting on Thursday at 5:00 p.m. (EST) during WVD Week, and continuing until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, we open a Zoom link to allow for continuous communication across the planet. We start on Thursday on the East Coast to accommodate countries for whom Friday has just begun. Over the course of the 24 hours we travel ‘West’ through South Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Europe and the Western Hemisphere.

Working with moderators from different countries, we encourage informal exchanges through guided conversations amongst all of our targeted audiences. There are different themes for each hour with topics ranging from gender equity, myths and misconceptions in vasectomy, the impact of a growing (or shrinking) population on the planet, trends in male engagement including new masculinities gender equity, negotiating our fertility and the future of male contraception.

WVD shares films and media and hosts vibrant conversations. Break out rooms are organized for more intimate conversations and to accommodate a variety of languages. This 24-hour event is meant to be as inclusive and diverse as possible, as well as joyful and celebratory.