## **Florida**

Here's How the **Sunshine State** Benefits from America's Participation in the World Health Organization



The WHO and UN agencies bought \$41M+ in goods and services from Florida companies in 2023



Florida hosts **3 centers for research with the WHO**,
making Florida a leader in
global health innovation



AARP-WHO partnership supports **44 Age-Friendly Communities**in Florida

## **Benefitting Florida's Economy**

Orlando-based small business Abbot Rapid Dx North America supplies medical equipment to the WHO, which helps support jobs for the company's more than 100 employees and adds to Florida's global reputation as a life sciences leader. These sales leverage Abbot Rapid's expertise in diagnostic and laboratory equipment manufacturing to build on the WHO's worldwide work to prevent the spread of disease.

## **Protecting Floridians**

Each year, 10,500+ new cases of cervical cancer are diagnosed in the U.S. alone. Researchers at the University of Miami are working to bring that number down to zero. In partnership with the WHO, they are building the capacity of healthcare providers in Florida and beyond to identify early signs of the disease and educate the public.

## **Supporting Florida's Health Priorities**

Florida has one of the nation's largest populations of people over 65 years of age. To meet the needs of aging Floridians, 44 local governments - from Citrus and Sarasota Counties to St. Petersburg and Clearwater - have joined the Age-Friendly Communities Initiative led by AARP and the WHO. Together, they are working to promote walkable streets, improve housing and expand access to services.

Learn more at betterworldcampaign.org/health

