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On September 25, 2015, the General Assembly of the United Nations adopted a resolution entitled, "Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" (United Nations, 2015, A/70/L.1, p.1). This agenda describes a 15 year plan of action approved and intended to be implemented among member nations of the United Nations. The agenda includes 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and 169 targets. The agenda emphasizes human rights for all, eradication of poverty and hunger, promotion of gender equality, empowerment for women and girls, sustainable consumption and production of resources, global prosperity and global peace through revitalized global partnerships to address the needs of the most poor and vulnerable (United Nations, 2015, pp. 2-3/35). For the last two years (2015 and 2016), CICIAMS was selected to deliver an oral presentation to the nation members of the UN Commission on Population and Development. These two presentations each followed archived open floor debates by nation members focusing on best practices to obtain a sustainable global population. Fertility health, child spacing, and the rights of women of child bearing ages were discussed. This presentation will inform attendees of nursing implications arising from UN supported healthcare strategies designed to support sustainable global population dynamics, cultural diversity and individual/family health.

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