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Content	<p>Climate change represents unprecedented health risks and demands attention to address them as it was identified as the greatest threat to global health of the 21st century according to the first Lancet Commission. Different organizations, health associations and professions have recognized the importance of preparing physicians to address the health impacts of climate change. Medical students across the Americas are spearheading initiatives to educate and raise awareness of the interlinkages between climate change and health, thus addressing the current gaps in education and health systems when it comes to embedding planetary health principles. Summary of Work The IFMSA Americas Region has selected “The Impacts of Climate Change on Health” as one of its Regional Priorities for 2021. The Regional Priority aims to guide concerted efforts throughout the region to advance student-led initiatives on climate change and health advocacy, education and policy. A set of goals and indicators have been set to measure impact on a regional and national level. Data will be collected regarding national policy documents, initiatives and work pertaining to climate change and health. A series of capacity building events will be held on a regional level to empower students to participate. Impact assessment will be conducted for those events. Results Outcomes related to the achievement of the Regional Priority goals and indicators will be analyzed in May 2021 and will be ready for presentation at TUFH2021. Conclusions Regional-led efforts can successfully mobilize medical students around climate health education and advocacy, and support local and national initiatives.</p>