

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



SDG 17: PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

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Contribution to SDG 3 Good Health and Well Being

Institutional position

Al Ain University advances SDG 3 through an integrated health ecosystem that combines student and staff support, professional health education, public awareness, clinical and community partnerships, and health-focused research. The University maintains health-care and counselling structures and uses its Pharmacy, Nutrition and Dietetics, Psychology and related expertise to improve wellbeing on campus and in the wider community.

In 2024, AAU delivered the We Care initiative, diabetes and obesity awareness, blood donation, mental-health activity, school-based pharmacy outreach, a postgraduate health symposium and a global digital-health conference. This breadth is a defining strength: AAU addresses prevention, care, health literacy, professional development and innovation as connected dimensions of wellbeing.

Principal strengths

Strength area	AAU institutional strength
Accessible support	Health-care, counselling, advising and referral structures support students and staff.
Professional education	Pharmacy, clinical pharmacy, nutrition and psychology programmes build health-sector capability.
Public health literacy	Awareness campaigns translate prevention and healthy-lifestyle knowledge into community action.
Health innovation	Research symposia and digital-health conferences connect scholars, practitioners and technology partners.

Institutional approach

AAU's health contribution is delivered through Student Affairs services, academic colleges, the Health and Safety Unit, counselling provision, laboratories, research structures and external health-sector partnerships. The resulting pathway supports prevention, early guidance, professional referral and health education.

The University's academic and community roles reinforce each other. Students learn within health-related programmes and applied activities, faculty contribute specialist knowledge, and community partners extend the reach of campaigns, conferences and clinical guidance.

Implementation in 2024

The following evidence shows how the University's institutional approach was translated into activity during the principal reporting year.

2024 evidence	Contribution to the Goal	Sources
We Care initiative	A health initiative with specialist participation provided community-facing information and guidance.	E05
Diabetes and obesity education	Two 2024 activities promoted prevention, healthy diets, exercise and quality of life.	E06 E07
Give Life Donate Blood	The blood-donation campaign combined direct service with health awareness and civic participation.	E08
Health and Biomedical Postgraduate Symposium	The second symposium supported research exchange, professional learning and postgraduate development.	E09
Global Digital Health Conference	AAU convened researchers, practitioners, policymakers and technology partners around digital-health innovation.	E10

Strengths across University functions

University function	Contribution and strength
Education	Health-related degree programmes, laboratories and practical training prepare graduates for evidence-based professional practice.
Research	Health and biomedical symposia, collaborative studies and the Sustainability Research Center support interdisciplinary health inquiry.
Campus wellbeing	Health-care, psychological and social counselling, academic advising and safety structures provide a coordinated support environment.
Community health	Campaigns, school visits, conferences and partner events extend prevention and health literacy beyond the enrolled population.

Current continuity

AAU continued health and mental-wellbeing education in 2025 and 2026, demonstrating that the 2024 activity formed part of an ongoing institutional programme rather than a single campaign cycle.

Institutional conclusion

AAU's SDG 3 strength is the integration of direct support, accredited health education, research exchange and community prevention. This enables the University to improve wellbeing while also developing the professionals and knowledge needed by the health sector.

Public evidence register

The following public sources support the institutional framework, implementation evidence and continuity presented in this report.

ID	Public source	Relevance	Link
E01	United Nations SDG 3 Good Health and Well Being	Goal context	Open evidence
E02	AAU SDG 3 institutional page	University SDG framework	Open evidence
E03	AAU health infrastructure	Campus health provision	Open evidence
E04	AAU Psychological and Social Counseling Office	Counselling structure	Open evidence
E05	AAU We Care initiative 2024	Health guidance	Open evidence
E06	Diabetes and Quality of Life event 2024	Preventive health	Open evidence
E07	AAU obesity awareness day 2024	Nutrition and exercise	Open evidence
E08	Give Life Donate Blood campaign 2024	Health service and awareness	Open evidence
E09	AAU Health and Biomedical Postgraduate Symposium 2024	Research and professional exchange	Open evidence
E10	AAU Global Digital Health Conference 2024	Digital-health innovation	Open evidence