UHC2030 KNOWLEDGE HUB & TAXONOMY FOR UHC

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Recap: KM Priority Activities (2018-2019)

PILLAR 1

Serve a connector role as UHC knowledge hub, providing interface for navigating existing platforms and portals

ACTIONS

 Establish central UHC2030 KM virtual hub as interface for existing online knowledge resources and tools

 Create online registry of existing platforms and portals to provide updated inventory of knowledge resources, identify synergies, and foster partnerships

 Support interactive searches through filters on key terms and help desk to link policymakers, civil society, academia, and other users to relevant knowledge



-Organize health system knowledge hub marketplace during international events

PILLAR 2

Align KM engagement with country demand by understanding and reducing knowledge gaps

ACTIONS

 Track and analyze use of UHC2030 knowledge hub, by type of user and content

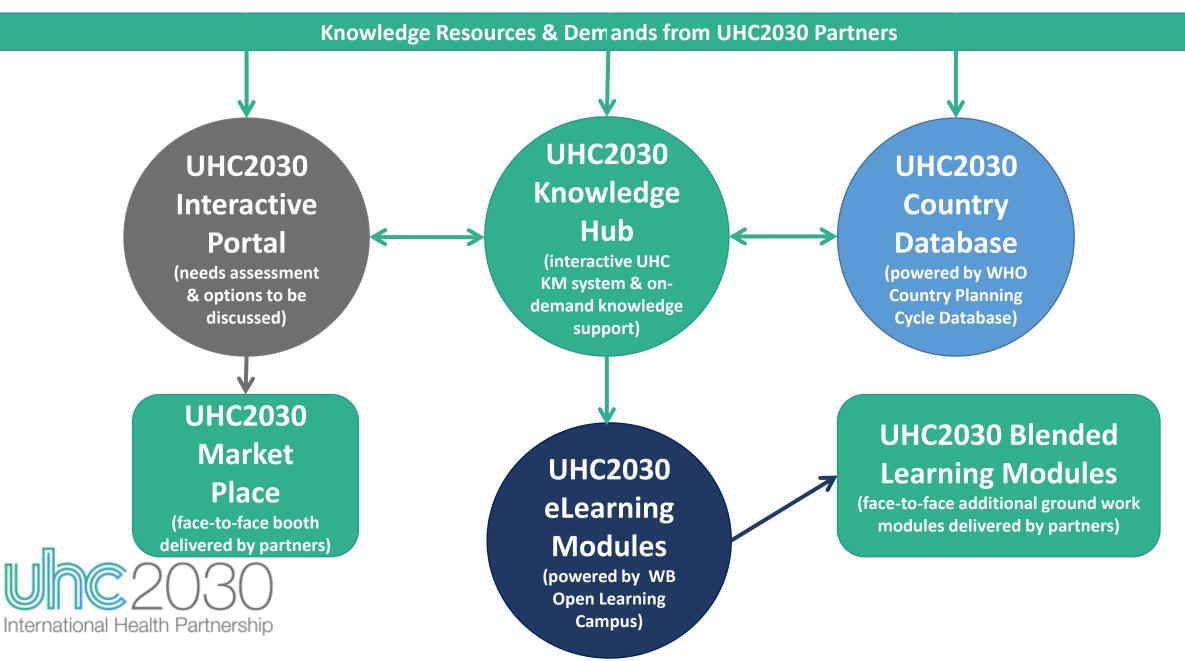
- Implement formal feedback mechanisms to understand country demands for knowledge

Survey of country representatives

 Online feedback tool to capture concerns and requests

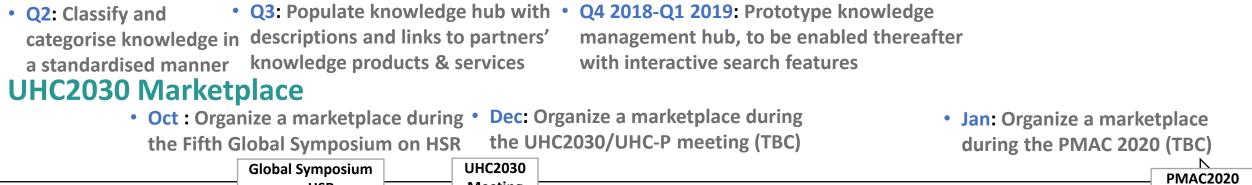
 Establish dissemination channels to increase the distribution of existing knowledge services and products

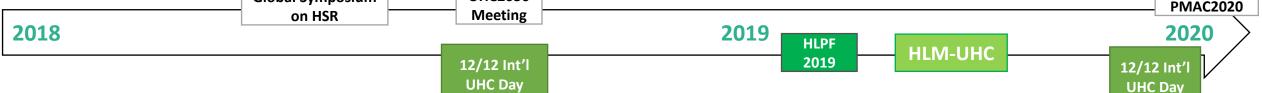
Overview of UHC2030 Knowledge Hub



Proposed Timeline in 2018-2019

UHC2030 Knowledge Hub





UHC2030 Country Database

• Q3: Update UHC2030 country member info on Country Planning Cycle Database

UHC2030 Interactive Portal

• Q3-4: Detailed inventory and analysis of UHC2030 related initiatives, platforms, and portals

UHC2030 eLearning Modules

• Q4: UHC2030 branded eLearning modules powered by WBG Open Learning Campus (e.g. advocacy & accountability for UHC)

- 2019: Additional database functions for TWGs' products on Country Planning Cycle Database (TBC)
- 2019: UHC2030 Interactive Portal prototype created, tested and operationalised
- 2019: Blended learning program (i.e. a mix of eLearning & face-to-face group work/follow up) delivered by UHC2030 partners

Value Proposition for the Knowledge Hub

- By establishing a standard taxonomy and assigning metadata, UHC2030 will link users to relevant <u>existing</u> knowledge products.
- The focus will extend beyond countries with significant presence of development partners to **capture knowledge from upper middle income countries** with substantial experience implementing UHC-related reforms.
- Search patterns and the use of knowledge products will be tracked and analyzed to help align KM engagements with country demand. UHC2030 could serve as a catalyst to push partner networks to capture country experiences in their area of focus.
- The Knowledge Hub could help to build a culture around promoting the availability and accessibility of evidence and push for its use in policymaking.



Objectives for a KM Taxonomy

- Establish **a common language** for classifying, organizing, storing, and retrieving knowledge products and services.
 - Facilitating coordination and knowledge sharing
 - Identifying synergies for the co-production of knowledge
 - Making explicit knowledge embedded in documents accessible to those who need it
- Support the implementation of the new UHC2030 KM Strategy
 - Serving a connector role as UHC knowledge hub
 - Aligning KM engagement with country demand
- Provide the logical framework for organizing a KM virtual hub that supports interactive searching through standard coding and filters on key terms

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Guiding Principles

Structure the taxonomy according to intended functions

Build on existing classification systems

Start simple and refine the taxonomy through an incremental approach

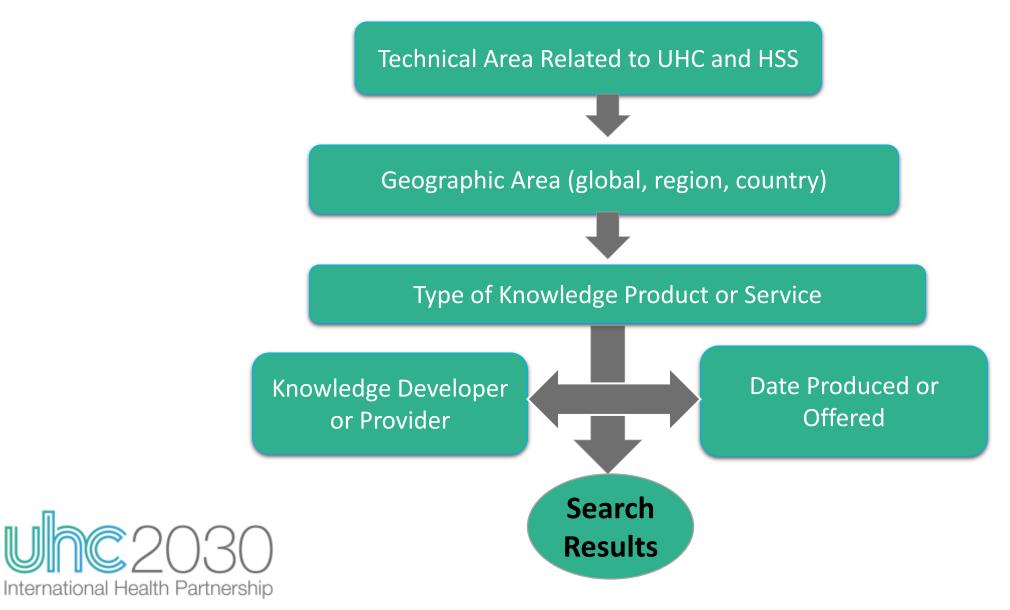
Unc2030 International Health Partnership Be prepared to continually adapt the system

Define roles, responsibilities, and requirements

Think through infrastructure investments

Promote use through strategic communications

Most Common UHC KM Search Logic



Lessons: Indexing Technical Content

- Use terms that are broadly familiar to potential users. The UHC2030 Joint Vision provides a starting point, focusing on standard dimensions of health system performance and framing three broad entry points for policy action: service delivery, health financing, and governance.
- Establish systematic and cohesive categories. Even though resources can be tagged with multiple keywords, clear hierarchies of terms will facilitate the search process.
- Separate out high priority topics. Country practitioners find it difficult at times to find needed content. A more nuanced categorization might help to link supply and demand more effectively and reveal knowledge gaps.
- Recognize that any classification system will have trade-offs.

Using a larger set of simple categories at first could be more inclusive and help to build user confidence in the system.



Lessons: Indexing Knowledge Products and Services

- Manage the flow of knowledge. Effectively categorizing the types of knowledge resources will be critical for connecting users with what they need.
- Focus first on explicit knowledge. Include searchable information rather than seeking to map tacit knowledge (linking users to relevant experts and/or upcoming events or programs).
- Include gray literature. These resources will be useful as long as there is a clear differentiation between peer reviewed/refereed/indexed resources and those that have not been peer reviewed or indexed.
- Use a simple, consolidated classification system for knowledge products and services. This will serve as an effective starting point, given the broad variation in the categories used across UHC2030 partners. Subtopics and synonyms can be linked to each main category.



Next Steps: Recommendations

- Continue to **review the main categories and add subtopics** for the classification system, drawing on the input from UHC2030 partners.
- Establish a pilot database to test tagging and metadata capture on a sample of knowledge products and services.
- Work collaboratively with the developers of the UHC2030 virtual knowledge hub to inform system specifications and understand potential constraints related to infrastructure investments.
- **Define roles and responsibilities** for developing, populating, managing, maintaining, and using any systems relying on the taxonomy to enable the flow, adaptation, and co-creation of knowledge.



Initial investment & operation costs for the hub

Total initial investment cost (2018): 925,000 USD

- Develop business requirements/specifications for the online 'connector' function: 125,000 USD (IT design expertise)
- Classify and categorize knowledge in a standardized manner 'indexing' knowledge: 500,000 USD (part time consultants & consultation meetings over one year, plus IT design and programming costs)
- Populate knowledge hub with descriptions and links to knowledge products & services: 200,000 USD (2 part-time consultants, mid-level, over one year)
- Virtual hub with interactive search features: 100,000 USD (1 part-time consultant during trial phase for supplementing search functions)

Annual operation costs (2019-): 400,000 USD

- 2 part-time research assistants: 200,000 USD
- IT system development support: 200,000 USD



Discussion and Decision points

Discussion points:

• Provide feedback to the overall architecture of Knowledge Hub

Decision points:

- Approve the proposed timeline and cost implication of the developing Knowledge Hub
- Agree to promote UHC taxonomy for better access to knowledge resources across UHC2030





KM Work Stream Focal Points

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Architecture

Taxonomy/Library

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