

**Document SC3. Draft ToRs:
UHC2030 annual/semi-annual forum**
Progressive Realisation of UHC by 2030

UHC2030 Steering Committee meeting, Geneva, 15-16 June 2017

Background

The integration of Universal Health Coverage (UHC) in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) provides an opportunity to promote a comprehensive and coherent approach to health, focusing on how the health system delivers integrated, people-centered health services and ensures financial risk protection. The UHC focus aligns with the universalism of the SDGs and their goals and targets which are relevant across all countries.

The International Health Partnership for UHC 2030 (UHC2030) responds to the global demand and opportunities for better coordination of efforts to strengthen health systems as a means to accelerate progress towards UHC. UHC2030 reflects the importance of multi-stakeholder collaboration on health systems strengthening to make progress towards UHC, offering a convening platform for a broad range of partners. UHC2030 acknowledges the political nature of health system reforms and the need to focus on who benefits and who is left behind on pathways to achieve UHC.

UHC2030 hosted the first UHC 2030 Forum in Geneva on 12-13 December 2016, to foster productive exchange between the various health systems networks and initiatives, build awareness of UHC2030 and explore how the Partnership can improve collaboration.

This year, the “UHC Forum 2017” will take place on 12-13 December 2017, in Tokyo and will be co-organized by the Government of Japan, JICA, the World Bank Group, WHO and UNICEF in support of UHC2030. The forum is to stimulate global and country progress towards UHC through the joint review of UHC progress and sharing of experiences.

This Terms of Reference provides guidance how UHC2030 will facilitate such an annual/semi-annual forum and how the forum should look like to drive the progressive realisation of UHC by 2030, engaging UHC2030 Partners and related Networks.

Key objectives of the annual/semi-annual forum

Objectives of the forum would include following points:

- To provide a safe space for interactive discussions among UHC2030 Partners
- To review progress and identify priority action that would help further progress through sharing experience and mutual learning across countries
- To explore mutually supportive actions amongst various health systems networks and collaborative initiatives
- To celebrate UHC Day on 12 December

As such, the meeting would help to strengthen accountability, promote and nurture the joint vision on health systems strengthening for universal health coverage, and

facilitate better collaboration and coordination across the different UHC2030 related networks.

Date and Venue

- **Date:** around UHC Day (December 12)
- **Venue:**
 - Large conference format: hosted by a UHC2030 country member, taking place in a different region every year (in collaboration with regional partners)
 - Public event with video conference format: virtual joint UHC2030 Secretariat and selected regional partners (i.e. Geneva, Washington DC or elsewhere)
- **Frequency:**
 - Large conference: biennial = year of publishing UHC monitoring report
 - Public event with video conference format: annual

Participants and partners

Approximately 300 participants for large conference format are expected, including:

- Ministers of Health and other relevant areas from selected UHC2030 members;
- Heads of organizations from selected UHC2030 members;
- Ministry of Health and other senior officials from UHC2030 members;
- Senior officials from other constituency members with focus on country/community participants (i.e. multilateral organisations and global health initiatives, philanthropic foundations, civil society, private sector and emerging voices);
- Senior representatives from UHC2030 related health system initiatives.

Program agenda

Suggested standard format for large conference with the additional specific theme:

- UHC Day public advocacy event with video conference across regions
- High-level political session to showcase commitments from UHC champions
- Presentation of UHC monitoring updates
- Review of progress, dissemination of good practice and identification of priority action to address bottlenecks
- Health system knowledge hub for UHC 2030 related health systems initiatives
- Depending on the annual theme decided by the UHC2030 Steering Committee, thematic sessions on better collaboration:
 - In specific context areas (e.g. fragility, transition)
 - Among specific stakeholders (e.g. private sector, community and civil society)
 - On specific aspects of health systems strengthening

Potential side meetings

- UHC2030 Steering Committee meeting
- CSO Engagement Mechanism meeting
- Meeting of related health systems initiatives, including joint meetings on specific topics of common interest
- Cross-regional remote session if time-difference allows