Global Health Initiatives Joint Statement
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Today’s High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage is a defining moment to achieve inclusive development and prosperity, as envisioned in the 2030 Agenda and its 17 goals.

To ensure that countries and all partners deliver on equity and the right to health, we call for:

• Prioritising a Primary Health Care system as the foundation of equitable, affordable and sustainable UHC. Evidence- and human-rights based, gender responsive and quality PHC enables inclusive and sustainable economic development.

• Reaching the most underserved, vulnerable and marginalised first with quality, affordable and accessible high impact services. This requires their meaningful participation and engagement as co-developers of health responses so no one is left behind.

• Strengthening policy coherence for sustainable financing for health with increased domestic resource mobilisation and the prioritization of health investments to maximize allocative efficiency.

We are fully committed to intensify our collaboration through the Global Action Plan for Healthy Lives and Well-being for All. In particular, leveraging our comparative advantage, we are working closely together on the Sustainable Finance Accelerator to help countries rapidly improve the generation, allocation and use of funds for health.

Gavi, GFF and The Global Fund are committed to working in partnership to support country efforts to ensure sufficient investments are available to achieve their UHC ambition, and to strengthen their health and financing systems to achieve health for all. Thank you.