Health in the post-2015 agenda: issues, lessons and goals

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Post-2015 process



2010 MDG Summit



Rio+20



UN System Task Team



SG's Highlevel Panel of Eminent Persons



Working
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Adoption of the post-2015 UN development agenda

Overview of presentation

- The overall post-2015 process
- The global thematic consultation on health
- Key issues for health goals post-2015
- UNICEF's position on health in the post-2015 development agenda



UN System Task Team: Proposed integrated framework for realizing the "future we want for all" in the post-2015 UN development agenda



SG's High-level Panel of Eminent Persons on the post-2015 UN development agenda



- Mandate: MDG+10 Summit
- Output: SG will deliver a report to UNGA by the 2nd quarter of 2013
- <u>Input</u>: Work based on report of UN System Task Team
- Work to be informed by Rio+20 and UNDG's consultations



<u>Co-Chair:</u>
Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono
President of Indonesia



Co-Chair:
Ellen Johnson Sirleaf
President of Liberia



Co-Chair:
David Cameron
Prime Minister of the UK



UNDG-led national consultations in 50 countries (next 12 months)

AFRO	AMRO	EMRO	EURO	SEARO	WPRO	
Algeria Angola Burkina Faso CAR DRC Ethiopia Ghana	Brazil Bolivia Costa Rica Colombia El Salvador Guatemala Honduras	Djibouti Egypt Jordan Morocco Pakistan Sudan	Armenia Bosnia H Kazakhstan Moldova Tajikistan Turkey	Bangladesh India Indonesia Timor-Leste	China Lao PNG Solomon Viet Nam	
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10 global thematic consultations, including one on health

	Lead UN Agencies	Events	Donor
Growth and employment	ILO, UNCTAD, UNDP	Tokyo, 15-16 May 2012	Japan
Inequalities	UNICEF, UNWOMEN	Global consultation in Feb/March 2013 (Denmark)	Denmark
Education	UNESCO, UNICEF	Global consultation in Feb/March 2013 (?Senegal)	Canada
Environmental sustainability	UNDP, UNEP	TBD	
Food security and nutrition	FAO, WFP	TBD	
Governance	UNDP, OHCHR	Global consultation in Jan/Feb 2013 (South Africa)	Germany
Conflict and fragility	UNDP	TBD	
Population dynamics	UNFPA, UN-HABITAT	TBD	
Health	WHO, UNICEF	Global consultation in Feb/Mar 2013 (?Botswana)	Sweden
Water	UNICEF	TBD	

A parallel process? Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals



UN Secretary-General:

"The Panel's work will be closely coordinated with that of the intergovernmental working group tasked to design Sustainable Development Goals, as agreed at the Rio +20 conference.

The reports of both groups will be submitted to Member States for their further deliberations."

Mandate:

Rio+20

Objective:

Tasked to develop a proposal for the Sustainable Development Goals

Members:

Working Group comprised of 30 representatives nominated by Member States (September 2012)

Output:

A report to the UNGA containing a proposal for sustainable development goals (between Sep 2013/14)

(between Sep 2013 and Sep2014)

The global consultation on health to be led by WHO and UNICEF



Objectives

- Stimulate wide ranging discussion at global, regional and country levels, on progress made and lessons learnt from the present MDGs relating to health
- Discuss and develop a shared understanding -- among Member States, UN agencies, civil society and others -- on the positioning of health in the post 2015 development framework
- Propose options for health goals and related targets and indicators for the post-2015 development agenda, as well as approaches for implementation, measurement and monitoring



Outputs

- Synthesis document of the outcome of the consultations on how health should be reflected in the post 2015 development agenda, to be submitted to the UN High Level Panel and the UN Secretary-General on the post-2015 development agenda
- Substantive thinking that can continue to inform post-2015 deliberation around health
- Engaged and informed constituency motivated to continue to engage in post-2015 discussions



Governance

- Task Team
 - WHO, UNICEF, Government of Sweden
 - Small secretariat based at WHO
- Sponsoring Government
 - Sweden
- UN Interagency Team
 - WHO, UNICEF, UNFPA, UNAIDS, OHCHR, UN DESA and UNDP



Components

- Background papers
- Web consultation main process, due to commence Oct 2012 <u>www.worldwewant2015.org</u>
- Member state consultations Geneva and New York, Sep, Dec 2012
- Civil society consultation TBC
- Private sector consultation TBC
- Academic consultation Beijing, Oct 2012
- Cross-sectoral review group TBC, Jan 2012
- High Level Meeting Feb/ Mar 2012



What are the lessons learnt from the health-related MDGs? Questions to consider

- What have been the strengths and shortcomings of the healthrelated MDGs?
- How useful or damaging have the specific goals, indicators and targets been?
- What are the lessons learnt relating to measuring progress and impact?



Framing the health goal(s): Questions to consider

- How does health fit in the post 2015 development agenda?
 - How can we incorporate the unfinished MDG agenda in the post-2015 agenda?
 - How do we articulate the relationship between health and the themes of inclusive human development, environmental sustainability, inclusive economic development, and peace and human security?
 - How do we frame the health goal(s) so they resonate with politicians and the public, and allow for measurement and monitoring?
 - How do we emphasize the importance of equity, vulnerable and marginalized populations, social determinants, and human rightsbased approaches within the health goal(s)?



Measuring progress towards the health goals: Questions to consider

- What are the best indicators and targets for health?
 - Should indicators and targets be framed in terms of health status (e.g. life expectancy, years of healthy life) or could they be framed in terms of the conditions and means that create better health and can protect people from poverty (including universal health coverage)? Or some combination of both?
 - How can a very limited number of high level indicators and targets be linked to the much broader monitoring needs of the health sector?
 - How can measurement move beyond averages to track progress of different groups within countries?



UNICEF's position on health post-2015

- "Unfinished business" of the MDGs
- Equity agenda
- Views on possibility of a single goal (e.g. the goal of child survival or universal health)
- Links to other themes and sectors overall welfare of children
- Highlight domestic inequities
- A Promise Renewed
 - → Moving towards a unified position

