



Ministry of Health
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G20 Co-branded Event 'Health of Youth-Wealth of Nation'

Technical Session 2 | 14:00-15:00 IST

"Multi-sectoral partnerships for engagement of adolescents and young people for health and well-being"

Background

Adolescence is a crucial age to develop knowledge and skills and acquire abilities and attributes. To reach one's full potential and live a fulfilling life, it is important to have a safe, supportive and nurturing environment during growing years. To ensure the health and well-being of adolescents and youth, it is imperative to not only *work for* but *to work with* young people. Undergoing various challenges and with lived experiences, adolescents and youth can better advocate for themselves. A shared platform among youth, policymakers, and other stakeholders is necessary to align our thoughts and work towards a common goal of improving the health and well-being of adolescents and young people.

Therefore, to achieve universal health coverage, multi-sectoral partnerships, coordinated actions, collaborative efforts by stakeholders, and meaningful engagement with adolescents and youth are required. To reiterate the same, a panel of experts is coming together to share knowledge and global good practises on the importance of collaboration, multi-sectoral partnerships, and meaningful youth engagement.

About the discussion

The session will focus on the significance of multi-sectoral partnerships for Adolescent and Youth Engagement. It will highlight collaborations between government, civil society, private sector, and youth-led organizations to improve the health and well-being of adolescents and youth. Panellists will discuss how partnerships create synergies, leverage expertise and resources, and include the voices of adolescents and youth in decision-making. The discussion will cover different partnership forms like joint programming, policy development, advocacy, and capacity building. It will also emphasize effective ways to build such partnerships that engage adolescents and youth meaningfully, empowering them to build stronger, healthier, and more equitable societies while addressing their needs and aspirations.

Format

The technical session will be moderated and follow an interactive panel discussion with the dignitaries. Curated questions will be given to each speaker, based on their expertise on the identified thematic areas. The discussion will be followed by a Q&A with the audience which will include young people.

Panel composition

Government representatives from the education department, representatives from non-governmental organization (NGO) partners and professional associations, experts from academia and the media and youth representatives.

Outcome

Key insights and takeaways from the panel discussion and Q&A session will be summarized and incorporated into the outcome document of the G20 Co-branded event.