

# Civil Society Engagement Mechanism of UHC2030

Informational Webinar on the UN High Level Meeting (HLM) on Universal Health  
Coverage (UHC)

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# Speaker Introductions

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# Webinar Outline

- Introductions to UHC2030, CSEM and HLM on UHC
- Ways you can participate in the lead up, during and after the HLM
- Question and Answer
  - Raise your hand and we will give you microphone privileges
  - Type your question in the chat box

## About the UHC2030

### **Mandate:**

- Provides a multi-stakeholder platform to promote collaborative working in countries and globally on health systems strengthening
- To advocate for increased political commitment to universal health coverage (UHC) and facilitate accountability and knowledge sharing

### **Activities:**

- Improve coordination of HSS efforts for UHC at global level
- Strengthen multi-stakeholder policy dialogue and coordination of HSS efforts in countries
- Facilitate accountability for progress towards HSS and UHC
- Build political momentum around a shared global vision of HSS for UHC
- Advocate for sufficient, appropriate and well-coordinated resource allocation to HSS

# About the UHC2030 Con't

## **Governance:**

- Hosted by WHO and World Bank
- Steering Committee provides oversight and decision making
  - 20 members including country seats (9) multilateral organizations (3), World Bank and WHO (2), Philanthropic Foundation (1) Civil Society (3) and Private Sector (1)

## **Membership:**

- Historically have 66 existing [partners](#) including governments, international organizations, civil society organizations, private sector, academia and media
- To join the Global Compact click [here](#)

# About the CSEM

## **Mandate:**

- To raise CSO voices in UHC2030
- To ensure UHC policies are inclusive and equitable, and that no one is left behind.

## **Activities:**

- Influencing policy design and implementation
- Lobbying for participatory and inclusive policy development and implementation processes
- Strengthening citizen-led social accountability mechanisms
- Promoting coordination between CSO platforms and networks working on health-related issues at the national, regional and global levels
- Knowledge creation on the existence and sophistication of existing national level infrastructure for civil society on UHC

# About the CSEM Con't

## **Governance:**

- Advisory Group (AG) links the global and national levels, ensures representativeness of CSO diversity, sets constituency priorities based on national inputs and acts as a technical hub
- The group is composed of [18 members](#), including the three CSO representatives (and their alternates) to the steering committee

## **Membership:**

- About 500 individuals
- Over 250 organizations
- Over 50 countries

## What is the UN High-Level Meeting on UHC?

- Convened by the UN General Assembly (UNGA)
- On 12 December 2017, the UN passed a **resolution** decided to hold a UN HLM on UHC during the 2019 UNGA
- **Purpose** of reaching agreement on cooperation measures and solutions on important UHC issues among Heads of State and governments.
- The meeting will take place at UN Headquarters in New York on **23rd September 2019**



# Why does it matter at the global level?

- At the global level, the meeting will **result** in a Political Declaration on UHC which will form the basis for global efforts to provide universal access to affordable and quality health-care services, in line with SDG target 3.8.
- Also creates a global platform for countries to make commitments to UHC

# Why does it matter at the national level?

- As the national level, stakeholders such as civil society can use this as an opportunity to:
  - Influence their governments' approach to UHC
  - Advocate that their governments attend the HLM on UHC
  - Advocate that their governments make realistic commitments to UHC
  - Hold governments accountable for those commitments after the HLM on UHC

# CSEM Four Priorities for the HLM on UHC

- Increase in public health financing
- Reach first those left behind as committed to in the SDGs/Leave no one behind
- Focus on health workers (paid and unpaid) – grow the health force
- Engage civil society and citizens in the process to ensure accountability

# Make Yourself Heard

1. HLM Informational Webinars (6<sup>th</sup> Spanish; 7<sup>th</sup> in French)
2. Civil Society [Survey](#) to Inform Global Health Initiatives in 2019
3. Draft UHC2030 Asks for multi-stakeholder consultation [Survey](#)
4. Face-to-Face Civil Society Consultation in Kigali Africa Regional Conference ([AHAIC](#)) (March 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:45pm)
5. Face-to-Face Civil Society Consultation during G20 Meeting
6. Informal Civil Society HLM Session during the World Bank Spring Meetings
7. In-Country (14) HLM Advocacy Meetings
8. Multi-Stakeholder Hearing 29 April 2019 at the United Nations in New York



# Thank you!

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