

2018/19 Highlights

[The International Health Partnership for UHC2030 \(UHC2030\)](#) established the Civil Society Engagement Mechanism for UHC2030 (CSEM) to ensure a civil society voice in the Universal Health Coverage (UHC) movement. The CSEM is working to ensure that UHC policies are inclusive of the most vulnerable and marginalized people and communities. The network bridges the gap between global and local UHC advocacy and promotes information sharing, knowledge exchange, and collaboration among civil society organizations. Our growing network of more than 700 organizations in over 80 countries serves as an information sharing and networking hub for civil society working in health-related areas. See some of our highlights below.

Join the CSEM at this [link](#). As a member of the CSEM, you will have instant access to all UHC-related civil society updates, resources, events, and other information. Our informative monthly newsletter, CSEM Voices, is accessible to members only. Click on each image below to learn more about our work.



Advocacy

- Mobilized [700 member organizations in over 80 countries](#).
- Engaged hundreds of civil society representatives from all regions of the world, culminating in the development and dissemination of various advocacy tools, including consultations on the priority actions to feed into UN HLM on UHC Political Declaration. The consultations resulted in the development of the [Civil Society Priority Actions for the UN High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage](#) in support of the [Key Asks from the UHC Movement for the UN High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage](#). See more tools and other documents produced by the CSEM in our [e-library](#).
- CSEM Advisory Group members lobbied for leaving no one behind in UHC during the [Interactive Multi-Stakeholder Hearing for the UN High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage](#) in New York City.
- Supported [UN HLM on UHC Country Advocacy meetings](#) in 13 countries in the buildup to the high-level meeting on UHC.
- Led the effort to write and receive endorsements for a [letter to WHO Director-General Dr. Tedros](#) recommending civil society engagement in the Global Action Plan, which led to the establishment of CSEM-hosted [GAP Advisory Group](#).
- CSEM chairs the UHC2030 Social Participation Technical Network and has Advisory Group representation in the network.



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 Civil Society Engagement Mechanism
for UHC2030

- Hosted six interactive and informational CSEM HLM on UHC webinars for civil society in 2018/19. Watch some of these webinars on our [YouTube Channel](#) and [website](#).
- Launched the [#UHC4Me Global Video Campaign](#) to create widespread awareness of the right to health and mobilize people, communities, and civil society to get involved in lobbying and advocating with their governments to ensure Universal Health Coverage, leaving no one behind.
- Advocated for UHC in over 25 global health key moments through formal and informal side events, moderating, speaking, or participating from the floor.
- Mobilized close to 200 endorsements for the [Civil Society Statement - Global Conference on Primary Health Care](#), released on the occasion of the anniversary of the Alma Ata Declaration, on the eve of the Global Primary Health Care Conference.

Communications and Knowledge Exchange

- Developed and published the [CSEM communications and advocacy strategy](#).
- Launched the [CSEM website](#), [social media presence](#), and member-only CSEM Voices newsletter.
- Curated and published three blog series: [UHC Financing Forum Blog Series](#), [Astana Blog Series](#), and [Civil Society Perspectives on UHC](#).
- Participated in the planning of the annual [UHC Day campaign](#). See messages contributed by our Advisory Group members on the [CSEM website](#) and [YouTube channel](#).
- Disseminated UHC [key messages](#) through informational and promotional online and print materials.

Publications

['The 2019 UN high-level meeting on universal health coverage' - The Lancet](#)

['Invest more, invest better: Civil Society calls for clear UHC financing commitments to leave no one behind' - World Bank](#)

['Civil Society Advocacy for Delivering on Universal Health Coverage' - Women Deliver](#)

['UHC high-level meeting unlikely to be 'transformative moment,' CSO experts say'](#)

['Increase investment in primary healthcare by 1% of GDP, says WHO' - BMJ](#)