Side event application / Formulaire de demande de réunion parallèle

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Concept

Description of proposed side event, including objective, expected results, proposed programme and speakers* / Description de la réunion parallèle proposée, y compris les objectifs, les résultats attendus, l’ordre du jour et les orateurs* :

Title: Strengthening Primary Health Care (PHC) to achieve UHC

Description of proposed side event
Building on the commitment made with the SDGs and target 3.8, achieving universal health coverage (UHC) is high on the global health agenda. Since his inauguration Director General Dr Tedros has kept UHC at the top of his priorities, and has continuously spoken of the right to health as a core value of WHO’s identity and mandate. The Triple Billion targets provided by the 13th General Programme of Work (GPW13) has increased the commitment to achieving UHC.

However, achieving UHC and health-related Sustainable Development Goals is impossible without strengthening PHC. Strong primary health care (PHC) is a cornerstone of sustainable and resilient health systems. The United Nations General Assembly high-level meeting on UHC in 2019 will be a major stepping stone in achieving SDG 3.8 and other health related goals, and it is essential that the strengthening of PHC is a part of the discussions in September.

The Astana declaration renewed the political commitment to primary health care from governments, non-governmental organizations, professional organizations, academia and global health and development organizations. The new declaration also celebrated the 40th anniversary of the 1978 Alma-Ata Declaration on Primary Health Care. Whilst acknowledging the remarkable progress over the last 40 years, there are still people in all parts of the world having unmet health needs.

Enhancing capacity and infrastructure in primary care – the first contact with health services – entails prioritizing and investing in essential public health functions. To strengthen PHC, priority should be given to prevention and health promotion; management of non-communicable and communicable diseases; services for maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health; as well as services for mental health and sexual and reproductive health.

A stronger PHC should be accessible, equitable, safe, of high quality, comprehensive, efficient, acceptable, available and affordable, and shall deliver continuous, integrated services that are people-centred and gender-sensitive. Strong PHC as a cornerstone of sustainable health systems will help avoiding fragmentation and ensure a functional referral system between primary and other levels of care. The success of PHC should be driven by knowledge and capacity building; human resources for health; technology and financing.

Objectives
The side event will bring political leaders from member states around the world to review the scope and magnitude of the challenges in progression towards strengthening PHC both nationally and worldwide. The political leaders will share national experiences and priorities and shed light on how PHC can contribute to the achievement of SDG target 3.8.

Expected results
1. High-level political commitment towards the UNGA High Level meeting in September 2019
2. Increased knowledge of country experiences
3. Highlighting the business case for investing in strengthening PHC
4. Global prioritisation of concerted actions in strengthening PHC towards achieving UHC
Proposed programme and speakers

Title: Strengthening Primary Health Care

Speakers

1. Opening and Introductory remarks by Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus (TBC)
2. Denmark - Ms. Ellen Trane Nørby, Minister of Health (TBC)
3. Ministers or other high-level participants from co-sponsoring countries

The duration of the side event will be scheduled to 90 minutes. That leaves the follow time estimates for the participants:

- Opening remarks by Dr Tedros will be allocated 10 minutes.
- Each national speaker will be allocated 15 minutes.

The remaining time will be allocated for questions and/or a recap.

Event details / détails de la réunion

Date  21. May 2019                                                                                        Time/Heure   midday

Expected number of participants/Nombre de participants attendus : 100

Exact title of the event/Titre exact de la réunion: Strengthening Primary Health Care (PHC) to achieve UHC

Interpretation/Interprétation

Interpretation may be provided in the official languages and the estimated costs are as follows: 2 languages: 2568 CHF; 3 languages: 5136 CHF; 6 languages: 11985 CHF.

L’interprétation peut être assurée dans les langues officielles aux coûts estimés suivants : 2 langues-2568 CHF; 3 langues : 5136 CHF; 6 langues : 11985 CHF.

Are interpretation services requested? / L’interprétation est-elle requise ? Yes/Oui  ☑  No/Non ☐

(If yes, which languages)/(Si oui, en quelle langue) □□□□□□□

English/Anglais □  French/Français □  Russian/Russe □  Spanish/Espagnol □  Chinese/Chinois □  Arabic/Arabe □

Other language/autre langue: □□□□□□□
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*Badges/ Badges d’accès
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