

GLOBAL CONFERENCE ON PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

ASTANA, KAZAKHSTAN 25-26 OCTOBER 2018

The World Is Ready

There is growing global consensus that universal health coverage — where everyone can access the quality health services they need without financial hardship — is an urgent priority to ensure a healthier, safer, more prosperous future for all. To achieve universal health coverage and the future we want by 2030, global leaders are shifting attention to transformative investments that will build strong, equitable health systems around the world.

This is why, 40 years after the historic 1978 Alma-Ata Declaration identified primary health care as key to Health for All, **world leaders will gather again in Kazakhstan to renew their commitment to strong primary health care as a critical foundation of universal health coverage and the Sustainable Development Goals.**

Primary health care is about helping people to live the healthiest lives possible and, when they need health care, providing **the right care, at the right time, right in their communities.** The **Global Conference on Primary Health Care** will endorse a new declaration that will revitalize primary health care for the 21st century and inspire concrete investment and action in every country.

The Road Ahead

The Global Conference on Primary Health Care is just one important milestone on the road to the **2019 High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage** and our ultimate goal of **Health for All.**

Whether you are a patient or provider, policymaker or educator, researcher or activist — **each of us has a critical role to play** in speaking up for investments in strong primary health care, sharing why primary health care matters to people and issues we care about, and holding leaders accountable for leaving no one behind.



For more information visit:

www.who.int/primary-health/conference-phc
www.unicef.org/health/index_primary-health-care.html

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Conference At A Glance

GENERAL THEMES

Fostering **multi-sectoral action plans and partnerships**; advancing **equitable health outcomes**; strengthening the **health workforce**; meeting the needs of **marginalized populations** and addressing the **determinants of health**; integrating **service delivery** across levels of the health system; building on new technology and **innovation**; and preventing and responding to **emergencies**.

PARTICIPANTS

The conference will bring together heads of state; ministers of health, finance, education and social welfare; health workers and patient advocates; youth delegates and activists; and leaders representing bilateral and multilateral institutions, global health advocacy organizations, civil society, academia, philanthropy, media, and the private sector. **The conference is invitation-only.**

PROGRAMME

The official two-day programme will include **six high-level plenaries** and **20 breakout sessions** on topics ranging from non-communicable diseases and antimicrobial resistance, to technical and political solutions for advancing primary health care. There will also be **ministerial and youth events** and a **meeting of senior officials** to chart a path to the High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage in September 2019. The provisional programme can be found [here](#).

SIDE EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

In addition to **several official side events**, conference participants will have the chance to explore a range of **exhibits** and **café sessions**, where they can discuss important dimensions of PHC in an informal setting.

Join The Conversation

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