Alignment of International Cooperation and NCD National Plans
The Experience of the International Health Partnership+

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Something needs to change.

Support for health and development contributes a lot but separate reports for each donor are a burden on health workers.

All partners should share a single reporting system.

iHP+ is a group of development partners, governments and civil society organisations committed to improving the health of citizens in developing countries by improving development cooperation in health.

International Health Partnership+  www.InternationalHealthpartnership.net
The International Health Partnership: Aligning for Better Results

IHP+ is a partnership of countries, development agencies and civil society organizations that aim to improve health services and accelerate health outcomes, particularly for the poor, by putting the principles on development effectiveness into practice.

*IHP+ is co-led by WHO and the World Bank*
IHP+: 36 countries & 29 DPs promoting development effectiveness in health sector


USAID

**Civil Society Organizations**
How does IHP+ work?

Mobilises support behind one national health strategy with clear priorities.

1. Inclusive **national planning** and **joint assessment processes**
2. Unified support for implementation, through **country compacts**
3. Harmonized **financial management**
4. One **platform for monitoring and accountability for results**, including **mutual accountability** monitoring
5. Improved **South-south exchange** cooperation & aligned **Technical Assistance**
6. Work on **Fragile states** and **countries moving from LIC to MIC status**
7. Engagement of **Civil Society**

*IHP+ works through its partners – governments, development partners, non state actors including CSOs. Builds on existing process*
The Seven Behaviors
not new, but important

Provide well-coordinated technical assistance
Support a single national health strategy
Support south-to-south and triangular cooperation
Record all funds for health in the national budget
Use one information and accountability platform
Harmonize and align with national financial management systems
Harmonize and align with national procurement and supply systems

What are the seven behaviours?

Changing the Way We Work Together
Impact on the ground

• Slow progress – but move in good direction:
  – Strong government ownership and leadership
  – More confidence in quality of national health strategies, improved policy dialogue and partnership
• IHP+ results 2014: better performance in countries with earlier IHP+ membership
• Process requiring persistence, context specificity and sustained efforts
• Contribution to health outcomes not easy to demonstrate...
• ... but principles relevant for strengthening systems – planning, management, accountability for results
• Feedback from countries: a useful input into multi-stakeholder policy dialogue + contribution to enhance the profile /quality of performance monitoring
Legacy of IHP+

- Advocacy around norms/principles: institutionalising good practice through the Seven Behaviours
- A open platform for inclusive dialogue and exchange
- Strong country ownership and leadership
- Greater participation of civil society in health policy processes
- Transparency and accountability: IHP+ results, the largest database on development cooperation in health
- Practical tools to support alignment in planning, management and monitoring: e.g. JANS, M&E platform
**IHP+ → UHC Alliance**

**Aim:** a movement for accelerated, equitable and sustainable progress towards UHC as well as the other health targets in the SDGs including global security and equity

**Objectives:**

- **Consolidate political momentum** and convey a shared global vision of UHC
- **Advocate for sufficient, appropriate and well-coordinated resource allocation to HSS**
- **Strengthen accountability** for progress towards UHC and SDG3
- **Promote coordination in countries receiving external assistance** by promoting adherence to IHP+ principles and behaviours
Selected IHP+ documents

- Development of a **Country Compact**: Guidance Note; Sep 2013
- Developing a **Country Compact**: what does it take and what are the gains?; Aug 2012
- **JANS** Tool & Guidelines; ver.3 Aug 2013
- How to conduct a Joint Assessment of a National health Strategy (**JANS**), based on country experience - A Working Document on Options for conducting a JANS on a health sector or sub-sector strategy; Ver.2 Aug 2013
- **Monitoring, Evaluation** & Review of National Health Strategies – a country led platform for information and accountability; Nov 2011
- **Joint Annual Health Sector Reviews**: Why and how to organize them; Sep 2014
- **Financial Management** (FM) Harmonization Report and Guidance Note (Executive Summary); Dec 2012
- How to: Improve **Technical Assistance**; June 2015

Web page, also available in French: (as are the printed documents):
http://www.internationalhealthpartnership.net/en/
The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

• The SDG are "integrated and indivisible, global in nature and universally applicable":
  – applicable to all countries

• The SDGs are "unprecedented in scope and significance"
  – cover the economic, environmental and social pillars of sustainable development, as well as peace and security

• The SDGs are about "Leaving no one behind"
  – strong focus on equity, addressing the needs of disadvantaged populations wherever they may live