

# State Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage for India: Implications for Gujarat

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The one-day consultation meet on Universal Health Care (UHC), jointly organized by Jan Swasthya Abhiyan (JSA), Indian Institute of Public Health, Gandhinagar (IIPH-G) and Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI) is to be held on October 13, 2012 from 11am to 5pm at IIPH-Gandhinagar.

As you are well aware, with the release of the HLEG report, PHFI is now embarking on the next phase of advocacy, dissemination and implementation of the recommendations for affordable, accountable and efficient health care delivery for all Indians over the next few years.

The Overall Expected Outcomes for the meeting:

1. To enhance an understanding of the concept of Universal Health Care
2. To enable participants to get an overview of the emphasis of the HLEG Recommendations with a focus on implementation and state level pilots
3. To better clarify mechanisms for financing and delivery of care especially at the primary level
4. To discuss these in the context of the direction being proposed in the 12th Plan and the efforts made by JSA and other civil society actors
5. To arrive at a consensus of the next steps in Gujarat – in terms of state level uptake of UHC- how can this be facilitated and at what level
6. Context specific issues (eg. occupational health, urban health, Private sector, gender and health, social exclusion etc.) ‘Universal Health Coverage for India and Implications for Gujarat’

Attached below is a detailed agenda for the meeting:

Time	Topic	Speakers
10:45-11:00	Registration	
11.00 - 11.20 am	Welcome, Introductions, Purpose of the meeting	Dr. Dileep Mavalankar: Welcome address and setting the stage  Ms. Renu Khanna : Purpose of the meeting and areas of focus
11.20 – 12.30 pm	Universal Health Care in India (Presentations and Discussion)	HLEG members: Dr. Nachiket Mor, Dr. Mirai Chatterjee

	<p>Focus points focus within this discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can public health care facilities be strengthened and better managed to deliver UHC</li> <li>• The role of primary care for UHC?</li> <li>• Can demand side initiatives like state government sponsored insurance schemes RSBY be re-designed to include out-patient care?</li> <li>• What would be practical pathways of implementing UHC in states</li> <li>• How can States be best incentivized for UHC- and are some States more ready for the uptake of UHC than others? If so, will selective roll-outs be appropriate which can later be scaled up to other states?</li> </ul>	<p>PHFI technical secretariat member: Dr. Priya Balasubramaniam</p> <p>Session Chair: Dr. Indira Hirway</p>
12:30-12:40	TEA BREAK	
12.40 – 1.45 pm	<p><b>12<sup>th</sup> Plan Chapter on Health (Presentations and Discussion)</b></p> <p>Focus on specific areas within the 12<sup>th</sup> Plan that relate to implementation, financing pathways and delivery of UHC.</p>	<p>Panelists: Dr. Abhay Shukla, Ms. Renu Khanna</p> <p>Session Chair: Dr. Sudarshan Iyengar</p>
1.45 - 2.30 pm	LUNCH	
2.30 – 4.00 pm	<p><b>Health Policy Issue in Gujarat (Moderated discussion)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the chief health priorities for the State of Gujarat?</li> <li>• Will Gujarat be willing to be one of the pilot states and for UHC and lead the way for other States?</li> </ul>	<p>Presentation by Dr. N.B. Dholakiya</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Dileep Mavalankar</p>
4:00-4:10	TEA BREAK	
4:10 – 5:00	<p><b>Next steps in Gujarat (Moderated discussion)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UHC roll out in Gujarat- What are the pathways and barriers?</li> </ul>	<p>Chair: Dr. Pankaj Shah Co- Chair: Ms. Pallavi Patel</p>