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Recent releases



Research

Improving health system **GOVERNANCE** for better health outcomes

The private sector's involvement in health care delivery and financing is significant and growing. However, this growth is commonly mismanaged and under governed, with flow-on consequences for health **EQUITY, ACCESS, QUALITY, and EFFICIENCY**.

The Progression Pathway has been developed by WHO to build capacities and readiness of health authorities to work with private stakeholders and address the challenges

imposed by the changing landscape of health system provision and its increasing reliance on private sector actors. It is a practical tool that helps countries to...

FIRST:

Identify governance arrangements and capacities needed to achieve better health outcomes tailored to their specific context.

SECOND:

Assess existing arrangements and capacities, highlighting strengths, weaknesses, and priority areas for improvement.

THIRD:

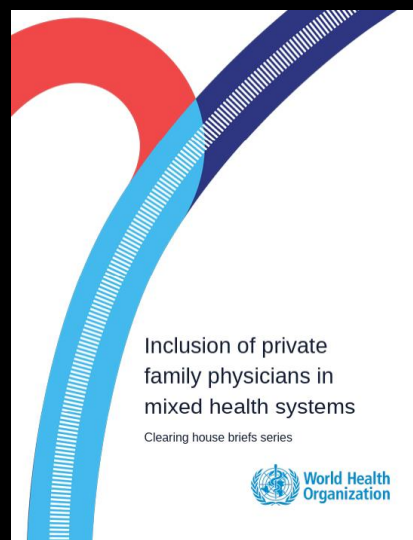
Develop strategies and actions to strengthen governance

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Clearing house brief:

Inclusion of private family physicians in mixed health systems

Primary care is foundational to health service delivery and a primary health care (PHC) approach. It is the core of the service-fronting component of PHC and refers to essential health and social services that meet most of people's health needs, delivered close to home. In PHC-oriented systems, primary care enables first contact access, continuity, comprehensiveness and coordination.



This brief considers the development of the profession, and the organization and contribution of family physicians in private practice to person-oriented high-quality primary care.

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What we have been up to..

Using data for the effective governance of the private health sector

Leveraging the strategic, technical, and operational value of health data and information



Developing an inclusive health policy requires ‘situational awareness’ and data on a wide range of actors including the private health sector whose role and contribution to health services has been growing exponentially. Additionally, data is crucial for the effectiveness of key governance functions, such as contracting. However, barriers to the capture and management of data span both public and private sectors and different levels of the health system.

Building on our data journey work, We have finalized **two case studies** which sought to identify what data and information are currently being collected by the health authorities in Pakistan and Ethiopia and how they are being used for the governance of private health entities.

Work is in progress to disseminate and synthesize findings from both case studies which will be available soon on the CCPSH.



Governance of private health providers to advance women's health

We have concluded a desk review of existing literature, reports, and studies to provide a comprehensive understanding of women's health issues, the extent of private sector involvement in the delivery of related health services, and the governance challenges pertinent to the provision of those services from both public and private actors.

We are currently holding a series of expert consultations to discuss the way forward for this workstream and how findings can be used to **support the institutionalization of women-centered care in health systems especially during their interaction with private providers.**

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