

Engaging with Private Providers in Low and Middle Income Countries- Strengthening Quality of Care and Effective Regulation

HSR2018 Satellite Session

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The private sector plays a central, although often contested, role in low and middle-income country health systems, yet informed discussion of these roles, and their policy implications are often lacking.

Key areas of debate include:

- How can quality of care be assured and improved among very varied types of private providers?
- How can regulation be implemented effectively and efficiently?
- What are the equity implications of public-private engagement? and
- How is the private sector changing and innovating and what should be the policy response?

These and many other questions will be debated and discussed during this one-day satellite session, organised by the [Private Sector in Health Thematic Working Group](#). One of the four main themes for this year's Global Symposium is "Polemic and pragmatism: engaging the private sector in moving towards universal health coverage", and this satellite session provides a unique opportunity for researchers, policy makers, implementors and entrepreneurs concerned with this theme to gather together for a day of discussion, debate and networking.

Session themes?

We will explore the very varied roles and implications of private sector participation in low and middle-income country (LMIC) health sectors, with discussions organised around the three key themes of:

- Strengthening Quality of Care
- Effective Regulation
- Change and Innovation in the Private Sector

See below for the full agenda.

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Agenda

8:30am – 9:00am	Registration		
9:00am – 9:30am	<p>Welcome and Introductions – Phyllis Awor and Catherine Goodman</p> <p>Opening Plenary Address – Dr. Sania Nishtar (Co-chair of the U.S. National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine Committee on Improving Global Quality of Healthcare, and of the World Economic Forum’s Global Council on the Future of Health and Healthcare)</p>		
Parallel Session Tracks	Effective Regulation	Strengthening Quality of Care	Change and Innovation
9:30am – 11:00am	Imagining the future of health facility regulation: meet the innovators (Catherine Goodman and Cicely Thomas)	Innovative approaches for quality assurance in private health care facilities (Janet Patry and Ravinder Deolal)	Innovative approaches for working with drug shops and pharmacies (Phyllis Awor)
11:00am – 11:30am	Tea & coffee break		
11:30am – 1:00pm	Social accountability and social regulation to reshape governance of the private healthcare sector (Abhay Shukla)	Can market-based solutions to primary healthcare delivery in Africa advance goals of scale, sustainability and quality? (Sabeen Khan and Raman Sohal)	Disrupting Health Systems to progress Universal Health Coverage - Can new Private Enterprise Models serve the Public Good? (Priya Balasubramaniam, Desta Lakew, Gerry Bloom)
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Lunch		
2:00pm – 2.30pm	Speed Networking Event!		
2:30pm – 4:00pm	Is SMARTER regulation of private sector antibiotic distribution channels the answer to the threat of antimicrobial resistance? (Meenakshi Gautham and Gerard Porter)	Strategic Purchasing: Leveraging direct and indirect benefits to improve quality (Caroline Quijada and Dominic Montagu)	Commercialisation, corporatization and public–private partnerships: healthcare trends and challenges for LMICs (Sharmila Mhatre & Dr Anuj Kapilashrami)
4:00pm – 4:30pm	Tea & coffee break		
4:30pm – 5:30pm	<p>Closing Plenary:</p> <p>Highlights, take-home messages and research priorities from each track (Regulation, Quality of Care, Change and Innovation) Discussion, Debate and Next Steps</p>		