



World Bank Group's Civil Society Consultative Group on Health, Nutrition, and Population

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Background on the WBG's Global Practice for Health, Nutrition and Population

In July 2014, the World Bank Group launched a new business operating model with [14 Global Practices and 5 Cross-Cutting Solutions Areas \(CCSAs\)](#) geared toward achievement of the WBG's twin goals to end extreme poverty by 2030 and boost shared prosperity. Through the Global Practices, the WBG provides financing, technical expertise and knowledge to developing countries. In line with the WBG's global twin goals, the goal of the WBG's HNP Global Practice is to end preventable deaths and disability through universal health coverage by 2030, so that no one will be tipped into or kept in poverty due to expenditures on health, and the poorest 40% of the population will be able to access essential health services. The HNP Global Practice is led by Senior Director Tim Evans and a global practice management team.

Background on the WBG-Civil Society Consultative Group for HNP

The joint WBG-Civil Society Consultative Group on Health, Nutrition and Population (the Group) was formed in 2011 in response to the call from CSOs for a more structured mechanism for Bank-CSO engagement at the global and country levels. Representatives were selected by a joint civil society-Bank selection committee, on the basis of applications received from a global call for nominations. The civil society members of the Group are based in different parts of the globe, and are selected on the basis of their expertise and their capacity to network with different civil society constituencies in the HNP sector. The Group is not intended to represent global civil society as a whole. In 2012, the Group determined that members would serve for three years, in a voluntary capacity, with recruitment of new members staggered at approximately 18-month intervals to ensure some continuity. Currently, the Group consists of 17 civil society experts on issues related to HNP in different regions, from both national and international organizations. The list of current civil society members attached as Annex 1.

The Group meets at least face-to-face once annually, usually on the margins of the WBG-IMF Spring and Annual Meetings. Members' travel costs are covered by the WBG for these meetings. Every month, the civil society members of the group convene a virtual meeting in which WBG team members also participate. Among the recent topics for discussion by the Group include:

- Health financing
- Reproductive Health: Adolescents/Young People as beneficiaries of Universal Health Coverage poverty alleviation, and shared prosperity
- The World Bank and Community Systems Strengthening for Health
- Monitoring Progress towards Universal Health Coverage at Country and Global Levels: A Framework – WBG and WHO
- WBG's Universal Health Coverage Assessment Tool (UNICAT)
- Global Financing Facility Concept Note
- WBG Draft Roadmap on Harnessing the Private Sector in HNP

Objectives of the Group

The overall objective of the Group is to provide a structured and transparent mechanism for CSOs to contribute to; influence; and share information, lessons learned, and advice on the development and impact of WBG plans and policies and programs in HNP in low- and middle-income countries, in the context of the WBG's goals to end poverty and boost shared prosperity and the HNP Global Practice goal to end preventable deaths and disability by 2030.

More specifically, the objectives of the Group are as follows:

1. Facilitate a meaningful dialogue between CSOs and the WBG's HNP Global Practice on issues affecting the WBG's work in HNP at the global, regional and country levels;
2. Ensure that civil society views on the WBG's work in HNP are shared with the WBG's senior management, regional and country teams and Executive Directors, facilitating linkages with these and other relevant WBG Global Practices, units, stakeholders and consultative processes as needed;
3. Exchange feedback on lessons learned from the WBG, CSOs, partner countries and organizations on promising approaches to assist developing countries in achieving better results in HNP; and
4. Identify and facilitate opportunities to enhance WBG-CSO collaboration to improve HNP results in developing countries.

Responsibilities

Civil Society members of the Group are expected to assume the following responsibilities for the duration of their membership term; those failing to contribute actively will have their membership reconsidered by the Group:

1. Participate in face-to-face meetings with the HNP GP at least once a year, and in at least half of the regular (monthly or other frequency to be determined by the Group) meetings by video or teleconference or other appropriate means;
2. Provide strategic input into WBG HNP priorities, strategies, reports, operations, evaluations and other WBG activities in the HNP sector, to be determined by the Group;
3. Identify and facilitate opportunities to promote WBG-CSO dialogue and operational collaboration in HNP at global, regional and country levels; and
4. Facilitate dialogue and consultation with global and national CSOs working in HNP on the issues discussed by the Group; solicit a diverse range of inputs and recommendations and report back these findings to the Group.

Bank staff focal points for the HNP Consultative Group will be expected to assume the following responsibilities:

1. Facilitate CSO collaboration and discussion with WBG staff working on HNP at the global, regional, and country levels;
2. Advise and support CSOs to ensure that their views are heard by WBG and HNP GP management and staff; and
3. Report back to CSOs on the follow up and impact of specific CSO recommendations on the WBG's work in HNP.

Member Communications and Support

Two CSO group members and two WBG staff will be asked to serve as focal points for the Group in order to facilitate coordination and communication among the group members and with broader civil society around the globe.

Travel and meeting expenses for the annual face-to-face meeting of the Group will be funded by the WBG. The WBG will also host and organize online meeting or audio links for regularly scheduled virtual meetings of the Consultative Group. Broader consultations with CSOs will be conducted where possible by piggybacking on other global or regional HNP-related events. All information about the Group and its activities will be shared in a transparent and timely manner on the WBG's HNP CSO website (www.worldbank.org/hnp/cso).

Deliverables

Every 18 months, the Consultative Group will review and agree on the Group's priority topics and deliverables for the coming period, along with any changes required to the format and frequency of meetings.

Evaluation

The Group will conduct a periodic, open and transparent review of its process and activities, in consultation with broader civil society and other stakeholders at the global, regional, and country levels. The Group conducted an initial survey of stakeholders in 2012. The scope and specific terms of reference for an evaluation will be determined by the Group at a later date.

Structure and Guiding Principles for Membership

In 2015, the Group will comprise 16 members of national and international CSOs working in HNP. Members will be appointed for a single, non-renewable term of three years. Every 18 months, approximately 50% of the Group will be new appointments.

A selection committee will comprise of representatives from the WBG and CS.

The organizations of members of the selection committee will not be eligible to apply to join the Group in this round of selection.

Please Note: Selected members will be expected to participate in the next face-to-face meeting of the Group slated for April 14-15, 2015 in Washington, DC.

Selection for Group membership will be based on the following principles:

- Consultative Group membership should reflect gender and geographic diversity. CS members should be drawn from a broad range of countries from Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Middle East, Europe, and North America.
- Consultative Group members should be grounded in the work of CSOs in HNP at global, regional or country levels, ideally with experience working in one or more developing countries.
- Consultative Group members should demonstrate substantial depth of experience (a minimum of 10 years) working in the HNP sector in low- and middle-income countries and should hold senior positions in their respective organizations.
- Consultative Group membership should reflect expertise in a range of thematic areas covered by the Bank's work in Health, Nutrition and Population.

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- Consultative Group members will have official written consent of their organization to participate in the Consultative Group. In the event of someone leaving before the completion of their term, the organization may nominate a replacement and the Group will consider whether this person meets the other criteria. At the end of their terms, the individual member cannot reapply; however, the organization may nominate another qualified candidate for the next round.
 - Consultative Group members should demonstrate their capacity and commitment to reach out to and consult with other CSOs and networks working in HNP at the global, regional, and/or country levels, and demonstrate how they will bring others' views to the table.

Email and Web Address

Please send questions or comments to hnpcco@worldbank.org

All information related to the Consultative Group is posted at www.worldbank.org/hnp/cso

Annex

World Bank Group - Civil Society Consultative Group on HNP List of Current Members

	Name	Position	Organization
1	Maher Aboumayaleh**	Manager of Health Programme	Aga Khan Foundation - Syria
2	Marine Adamyan**	Acting Director for Partnerships, Innovation & Accountability Sustainable Health	World Vision International
3	Joan Akusika Awunyo-Akaba**	Executive Director	Future Generations Int.(FUGI) - Ghana Coalition of NGOs in Health
4	Ahmed Faruque**	Senior Director	Senior Director , BRAC International
5	Ariel Frisancho	National Manager - Social Rights Programs Unit	CARE Peru
6	Sumie Ishii	Managing Director	Japanese Organization for International Cooperation in Family Planning (JOICFP)
7	Archana Joshi	Director	Deepak Foundation, India
8	Mohga Kamal-Yanni**	Senior Health & HIV Policy Advisor - Oxfam GB	Oxfam International, UK-
9	Mette Kinoti	Vice President for Africa	Helen Keller International
10	Samson Kironde**	Co-Chairperson	Health Systems Action Network, Uganda
11	George Mataradze	Executive Director of the Secretariat, "East Europe & Central Asia Union of PLWH	East Europe & Central Asia Union of People Living With HIV, ECUO, Ukraine
12	Salwa Najjab	Director	Juzoor for Health and Social Development, Palestine
13	Ousmane Traore	Executive Director	Association de Soutien au Développement des Activités de Population (ASDAP), Mali - ASDAP
14	Arjanne Rietsema**	Head of Mission	CORDAID, Zimbabwe
15	Christine Sow	Executive Director	Global Health Council
16	Bruce Wilkinson	President and CEO	Catholic Medical Mission Board
17	Simon Wright**	Head of Child Survival	Save the Children, UK

***outgoing members*