UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE IN THE SOUTH-EAST ASIA REGION

WHAT IS UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE
Universal Health Coverage (UHC) means everyone receives the health services they need without suffering financial hardship.

WHAT IS THE CURRENT STATUS OF UHC IN SOUTH-EAST ASIA REGION

Out of 1.97 billion, over 800 million people in this region still do not have full coverage of essential health services.

At least 65 million people are pushed into “extreme poverty” when they pay for health care.

STATUS OF UHC IN SEAR COUNTRIES: CURRENT ESTIMATES

Coverage of essential health services: regional average 57%
Financial protection: regional average 42%

Data sources: WHO SEARO Health information Platform; World Health Statistics Reports 2013 and 2017
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REGIONAL INEQUALITIES IN ACCESS TO ESSENTIAL HEALTH SERVICES

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TO ACHIEVE UHC HEALTH WORKERS, MEDICINES, FACILITIES AND FINANCING ARE NEEDED

SKILLED HEALTH WORKERS PER 10,000 POPULATION IN SEAR COUNTRIES

From 7 to 118

Global benchmark is 44.5 per 10,000 population

HOSPITAL BEDS PER 10,000 POPULATION IN SEAR COUNTRIES

From 6 to 43

WHO threshold is 18 beds/10,000 population

AVERAGE HEALTH EXPENDITURE PER PERSON PER YEAR (USD) IN SEAR COUNTRIES

From 32 to 944

Average current health expenditure in SEAR countries is USD 175 per person per year

AVAILABILITY OF MEDICINES FOR NON COMMUNICABLE DISEASES IN PUBLIC HEALTH FACILITIES IN SEAR COUNTRIES

From 38 to 93%

Data Source: WHO SEARO Health Information Platform; World Health Statistics Report 2013 and 2017; Improving access to medicines in the South-East Asia Region; WHO SEARO 2017 (data from 7 or more countries in SEAR)