

DEVELOPMENT

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# Development Plan for Global Health

The Norwegian Institute of Public Health

## BACKGROUND

International health trends and challenges are having an increasing influence on Norwegian public health and health services.



The UN Sustainable Development Goals for 2030 set ambitious targets for global co-operation. To achieve them, the exchange of knowledge and competencies will become increasingly important.

The Norwegian Institute of Public Health contributes knowledge and expertise in the effort to solve international

health challenges in Norway, in Europe and in those countries where the challenges are greatest.

This development plan for global health has a long-term, strategic perspective. We will update it when necessary.

## GOALS FOR THE FIELD OF GLOBAL HEALTH

The Norwegian Institute of Public Health aims to contribute to better health globally and analyse how international trends influence health in Norway.

Our three overarching programme goals are in line with the WHO's work programme for 2019-2023:

1. Strengthen Norway's efforts towards obtaining universal health coverage globally
2. Strengthen health security, preparedness and health during emergencies
3. Strengthen knowledge about public health and health promotion programmes

**Goal 1:** Strengthen Norway's efforts towards obtaining universal health coverage globally

- Deliver solid evidence to decision makers in low and middle-income countries and to global decision-making processes
- Develop new digital tools and registry solutions to support health system's abilities to offer universal health coverage
- Contribute to securing the proper documentation for and correct use of pharmaceuticals
- Produce knowledge that will advance universal health coverage in synergy with other priorities in global health

**Goal 2:** Strengthen health security, preparedness and health during emergencies

- Strengthen surveillance of infectious diseases and implementation of the international health regulations in low and middle-income countries
- Contribute to new digital solutions that can fill the need for health data in emergency situations
- Contribute to new knowledge about health risk reduction and the impact of environmental factors on health in a global context
- Contribute to the global fight against antimicrobial resistance

**Goal 3:** Strengthen knowledge about public health and health promotion programmes

- Contribute to knowledge about suicide and the prevention of mental disorders in low and middle-income countries
- Strengthen the institutionalisation of public health functions in low and middle-income countries
- Work for reducing resistance to vaccination in order to reverse declining vaccine coverage
- Increase knowledge about non-communicable disease among children in low and middle-income countries
- Contribute to increasing knowledge about differences in burden of disease globally
- Contribute to increasing children and youth's ability to make informed health choices
- Strengthen our role as a knowledge broker providing evidence to the Norwegian authorities concerning global health questions

## INSTRUMENTS FOR ACHIEVING OUR THREE GOALS

- The NIPH cooperates and collaborates with partners on a national and international level. Projects are largely carried out in collaboration with universities, other public health institutions, non-governmental organisations, the WHO and/or the health authorities in partner countries.
- Our global health activities are, to a large extent, financed through competitive funding from NORAD, the Norwegian Research Council, the EU, the WHO and the World Bank. However, we also have activities that are financed through the NIPH's core budget from the Norwegian Ministry of Health and Care Services.

