Session 8: Discussion on the outline of the new GMS Health Cooperation Strategy for 2024-2030



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First the structure

VISION Health and well-being shared by all in an integrated, prosperous, and equitable subregion					
Outcome 1 Improved GMS health system performance in responding to acute public health threats	Outcome 2 Strengthened protection for vulnerable communities from the health impacts of regional integration	Outcome 3 Enhanced leadership and human resource capacity for responding to priority health issues in the GMS			
PILLAR 1 Health security as a regional public good	PILLAR 2 Health impacts of connectivity and mobility	PILLAR 3 Health workforce development		CROSSCUTTING THEMES	
Programming Area 1.1 Core IHR capacities of national health systems	Programming Area 2.1 Border area health systems strengthening	Programming Area 3.1 Regional health cooperation leadership	1	Policy convergence	
Programming Area 1.2 One Health response to public health threats	Programming Area 2.2 UHC for migrant and mobile populations	Programming Area 3.2 Intraregional capacity building		Gender mainstreaming	
Programming Area 1.3 Cross-border and subregional cooperation on health security	Programming Area 2.3 Health impact assessment of GMS urban and transport infrastructure development			Inclusive and equitable development	
	ENABLERS				
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GMS = Greater Mekong Subregion, IHR = International Health Regulations (2005), UHC = universal health coverage. Source: GMS Working Group on Health Cooperation.

What's working and what needs work

Working

- Straightforward pillars, crosscutting themes and enabling environment
- Agreed and familiar (to Ministers)
- Reflects many of the existing challenges
- Has the right number of pillars?
- Did the number of programming areas work?



Needs work

• Missed opportunities?

Then the content

- Do these strategic pillars and programming areas still meet your needs?
- Where do Climate Change, Digitalization and One Health need to be?
- What policies does it need to align to? e.g., GMS-2030, GMS Gender etc.
- Its now (largely) a post pandemic environment
 - Does this change the approach the theory to practice?
- Where to incorporate lessons from the pandemic?
 - Could it be in the narrative?

What is the vision for 2024-2030?

- Is the vision the same?
 - Health Cooperation Strategy 2019-2023 was Health and well-being shared by all in an integrated, prosperous and equitable sub-region.
 - The GMS-2030 Vision is to develop a more integrated, prosperous, sustainable, and inclusive subregion.
 - The GMS Gender Strategy supports the implementation of GMS-2030 and complements the efforts of individual countries to enhance gender equality.



The priority outcomes for regional cooperation?

In 2019-2023

- Improved GMS health system performance in responding to public health threats
 - Strategic Pillar 1: Health security as a regional public good
- Strengthened protection for vulnerable communities from the health impacts of regional integration
 - Strategic Pillar 2: Health impacts of connectivity and mobility
- Enhanced human resource capacity to respond to priority health issues in the GMS
 - Strategic Pillar 3: Health workforce development

The priority outcomes for regional strategy?

In 2024-2030 (reflective of session 4)

- Strategic Pillars?
 - Promote **One Health**, Migrant Health, Digital health technology
 - IHR emerging disease AMR, and **UHC** including insurance
 - Health Security, Re-orienting the PHC to achieve UHC, MCH cooperation center training
 - Pandemic preparedness, Health impact related to climate change, Human resource development
 - Health security, digital health, UHC

The priority outcomes for regional strategy?

In 2024-2030 (reflective of session 4)

- Strategic Pillar 1: Health security as a regional public good
 - One Health
- Strategic Pillar 2: Health impacts of Climate Change
 - Migrant mobility, and ??
- Strategic Pillar 3: Health workforce development

Thank you

