



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

15 August 2019

Excellency,

Further to my letter dated 6 August 2019 on the logistics of the High-level meeting on universal health coverage, I have the honour to enclose herewith a provisional program of the High-level meeting, to be held on 23 September. A more detailed programme will be circulated in due course.

I would like to take the opportunity to encourage the participation in the high-level meeting, including the multi-stakeholder panels, at the highest possible level, preferably at the level of Heads of State and Government.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "M. F. ESPINOSA", which is a stylized representation of the name María Fernanda Espinosa.

María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés

All Permanent Representatives and
Permanent Observers to the United Nations
New York

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

09:00 – 09:30

Trusteeship Council
Chamber

Opening Segment

Approval of the Political Declaration on UHC

- H.E. Mr. Tijjani Muhammad-Bande, President of the 74th session of the UN General Assembly
- Mr. António Guterres, United Nations Secretary-General
- Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General, World Health Organization
- Mr. David R. Malpass, President, World Bank Group (TBC)
- Ms. Gro Brundtland, Eminent High-level champion of Universal Health Coverage

09:30 – 13:00

Trusteeship Council
Chamber

Plenary Segment

Statements by Member States

11:00 – 13:00

ECOSOC Chamber

Panel 1: UHC as a driver of equity, inclusive development and prosperity for all

This panel emphasizes health as a precondition for and an indicator and outcome of the social, economic, and environmental dimensions of sustainable development, while contextualizing UHC as an umbrella for achieving healthy lives and well-being for all. UHC means implementing health policies and designing health systems, which promote equity, efficiency and effectiveness and ensure financial risk protection, to reach every person and community, particularly the most vulnerable and marginalized, with quality integrated and people-centred health services, delivering not only the fundamental right to health, but also the broader human rights agenda, ensuring no one is left behind.

15:00 – 17:30

Trusteeship Council
Chamber

Plenary Segment

Statements by Member States

15:00-17:00

ECOSOC Chamber

Panel 2: Accelerating multi-sectoral and multi-stakeholder action and investments for achieving UHC

This panel explores the investment case for UHC. As one of the main sectors of the global economy, the health sector has the potential to produce large returns on investment, both in terms of health gains and for equitable and inclusive economic growth. Countries from all regions and at all levels of income will need to mobilize more domestic resources, increase the equity and efficiency of existing resources, harmonize investments in health, and establish, institutionalize and accelerate multi-sectoral and multi-stakeholder action and sustained investment to achieve UHC by 2030.

17:30 – 18:00

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Closing segment

H.E. Mr. Tijjani Muhammad-Bande, President of the 74th session of the UN General Assembly