HEALTH

Explicitly included as the third of the 17 draft Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Yet health is also inextricably linked to the other 16 SDGs.

Key Factors to Consider:

- Health underpins every development theme and SDG
- Health must be recognized as contributor to development, as well as beneficiary
- The Health goal and its targets should be global
- The private sector must play an integral role in advancing the Health goal

1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere
Good health supports economic growth and reduces poverty.

2. End hunger, achieve food security and adequate nutrition ,and promote sustainable agriculture
Prevention, including a healthy and well-balanced diet, is pivotal to avoiding disease, worsening of health-related conditions and hospitalization.

3. Attain healthy lives for all at all ages
The Health Goal must address the entire course of life. In a holistic approach focused on key elements: **(1)** universal health-care coverage; **(2)** accelerating progress on the unfinished health MDG agenda; **(3)** reducing the burden of Non-Communicable Diseases.

4. Provide inclusive and equitable quality education and life-long learning opportunities for all
Good health is vital to ensure children and adults school and learn.

5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls everywhere
Women manage the resources allocated to caring for family members' health needs, and their employment is vital to optimal health decision making.

6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
Poor sanitation hinders effective health interventions.

7. Ensure access to affordable, sustainable, and modern energy for all
Reliable energy is critical to support health facilities, power medical equipment, and store critical medicines and vaccines.

8. Promote inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for all
Full and productive employment may provide opportunities for employer-supported health coverage, clinics, or awareness campaigns.

9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization, and foster innovation
Healthcare infrastructure is part of a country's resilient infrastructure, next to logistics, utility, ICT, and soft-infrastructure.

10. Reduce inequality within and among countries
Increasing access to quality health care through multi-player universal health coverage is one way to help maintain a healthy and productive workforce.

11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable
Urban sanitation, including proper sewage, waste disposal systems, and air quality help ensure community health and wellness.

12. Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
Reducing the release of chemicals and their wastes into the environment can help reduce the harmful effects on human health.

13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts
Climate change will have an immediate impact mainly by exacerbating health problems that already exist.

14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas, and marine resources for sustainable development
Pollutants entering the marine environment can create and exacerbate the growth of microbiological pathogens.

15. Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss
Health is integrally linked to biodiversity, including the discovery and development of new medicines and vaccines.

16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels
Peace and stability also promote private investment in health infrastructure and indigenous innovation

17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development
All companies will have a pivotal role to play in partnering with the public sector and civil society to achieve improved health outcomes to advance global development.

"… must be more present, more integral, and more influential in the post-2015 era…"