



## March 2024 EDITION

### What We've Been Up To...



#### Member States' Information Session

On 6 March 2024, we held an information session to WHO's Member States titled *Advancing UHC: governing the contribution of the private sector*. The session included a presentation on the Country Connector, WHO strategy on engaging the private health sector through governance in mixed health systems and an overview of the upcoming "Progression Pathway". The session also featured a panel discussion with speakers from WHO EMRO, AFRO and EURO regions.

#### Webinar: Engaging the private sector in delivering health care and goods:

Governance lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic

A promotional graphic for a webinar. It features the title 'Engaging the private sector in delivering health care and goods: Governance lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic' and the date '20 February 2024, 12:00-13:00 CET'. Below the title are four circular portraits of speakers: Gabriele Pastorino (WHO Regional Office Europe), David Clarke (World Health Organization), Sara Burke (Trinity College Dublin, Ireland), and Anna Maresio (European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies). A QR code and a 'Register' button are also present. At the bottom, it lists the moderators: Matthias Wismar and Erica Richardson, and provides the website 'www.tinyurl.com/OBSPrivSector' and social media handles '#OBSWebinars @OBSHealth'.

On 20 February 2024, we participated in a webinar hosted by the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies in collaboration with WHO Regional Office in Europe. The webinar discussed the policy successes and failures in engaging the private sector and the acquired governance lessons that can be leveraged to maximize positives and minimize negatives of collaborating with the private sector

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## Recent releases

### **Tool: Engaging the private sector in delivering quality MNCH services: a step-by-step workbook to inform analysis and policy dialogue**

This workbook aims to assist various stakeholders in engaging with the private sector on delivery of quality maternal, newborn and child health (MNCH) services in lower- and middle-income countries. The workbook suggests an iterative approach that is supported by various guiding tools for the process.



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## **Brief: Governance of dual practice in the public and private sectors**

A new Clearing House brief has just been released. The brief delves into the available literature on dual practice, the governance challenges posed by it and the potential policy options and governance tools that can address those challenges.

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## **The Strategy Report is now Available in ARABIC**

Recognizing the importance of private sector engagement in the WHO Eastern Mediterranean region, the WHO Strategy report on *Engaging the private health service delivery sector through governance in mixed health systems* has been translated into Arabic.





# Soon on the Country Connector



## **The Progression Pathway on the Governance of the Private Sector in Mixed Health Systems**

*Improving health system performance for better health outcomes*

The Progression Pathway is a practical tool developed by the World Health Organization to help countries strengthen their capacity to govern and provide better health, focusing on the governance of private health sector. It is based on the recommendations and approach introduced by the WHO

Strategy Report [“Engaging the Private Health Service Delivery Sector through Governance in Mixed Health Systems”](#)

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## **Upcoming Events**



## Supporting Egypt's Health System Transformation: Maximizing the value of partnerships

The Country Connector is going to collaborate with WHO Country office in Egypt and WHO regional office of the Eastern Mediterranean to conduct an in-person workshop to national stakeholders who are involved in the implementation of Egypt's Universal Health Insurance system. The workshop will introduce the key governance principles and considerations for engaging with the private sector and will present findings from implementing the Progression Pathway Model on the governance of mixed health systems in Egypt.

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