# Primary Health Care Resource Center Newsletter

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#### The Primary Health Care Resource Center



A team of experts discussing on how to set up of the resource center

We welcome you to our second e-newsletter! To provide evidence to strengthen the PHC Resource Center, a second round of usercentered information needs assessment was

conducted in October 2019. A questionnaire was sent out to 92 people (including alumni local and international trainees, trainers, current trainees, staff as well as partner institutions. The information was collected and analyzed to assess the knowledgebased information needs of users and the Institute. The survey guided how the Resource Center best serves the users and how it could allocate resources more effectively.

For instance, the survey identified the subjects users would like to be contained in the Resource Center, It also confirmed the importance of havina a balance between printed materials and electronic resources. Thus, the Center has incorporated the subjects required and prepared a list of books for purchase. The books will be available for onsite users early next year.

## Special points of interest:

- ETHIOPIA'S NEW ESSENTIAL HEALTH SERVICE PACKAGES
- E-LEARNING PHC
  COURSES AVAILABLE
  ONLINE

#### Primary health care information and knowledge reuse

The Resource Center has been re-using resources to leverage knowledge assets around PHC thematic areas.

Materials were collected from partners such as the Ethiopian Ministry of Health and its line Bureaus in the different Regions. These resources have been stored in the Repository to make them

accessible to the public. The effort will continue in the future to make relevant information available to users. Further, the Center has created a range of specialized external links from local and international sources and almost all are open access. Overall, a total of 271,343 views were

made on the different specialized pages of the Resource Center, so far. Please visit these pages for your personal and professional development. Also please send us a resourceful website where you have found information so that we could share it with others!

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#### Ethiopia unveils a new essential health service package

Ethiopia has launched the second essential health services package tailored to achieve universal health coverage across the nation. The revised health package aims to provide access to quality health services for all Ethiopians with full financial risk protection regardless of

age, ability to pay, economic status, and geographic locations. The packages include 1018 health services, with special focus on reproductive, maternal, neo-natal, child and adolescent health, major communicable diseases, non-communicable diseases, surgical and

injury care, emergency and critical care, neglected tropical diseases, hygiene and environmental health services, health education and behavioral change communication services and multi-sectoral nutrition interventions.

#### UN Assembly adopted universal health coverage declaration



The high-level meeting on universal health coverage (UHC) at the UN General Assembly brought together world political and health leaders, policy-makers and UHC champions to advocate for 'health for all'. With a strong foundation of primary health

care, UHC is one of the key priorities to WHO. The organization is working with key actors around the world to help countries strengthen health systems for UHC. WHO has communication materials and useful resources on PHC & UHC. Visit their website at:

https://www.who.int/campaigns/world-health-day/world-health-day-2019/communications-materials. On the website, you will find GIFs that support animated and static images, infographics, posters and videos.

#### Primary health care 2020

The 10th Annual
Congress & Medicare
Expo on Primary Health
Care will take place on
May 22-23, 2020 in
Tokyo, Japan. The
conference aims to bring
together practitioners,
administrators, policy
makers, politicians and

researchers within the field of PHC. It will look into the health system and strategy issues, inquire about discoveries, examine and assemble basic systems for analysts, professionals, producers and vendors. Please visit

https://primaryhealthcar e.conferenceseries.com/ for more information about the conference, registration, sessions, scientific program, brochures and contact details.

#### Primary health care systems (PRIMASYS) case studies

Understanding the knowledge gap related to strategic information on PHC systems at national and subnational levels in low & middle income countries provides insights on the key points of entry to improve health program implementation. To address these challenges, the Alliance for Health Policy and Systems Research is leading a portfolio of work entitled Primary

Health Care Systems -PRIMASYS. It has supported the development of 20 case studies focused on PHC systems in LMICs, including Ethiopia. PRIMAYS aims to inform efforts to strengthen PHC systems and improve the implementation, effectiveness, and efficiency of PHC interventions worldwide. The PRIMASYS case studies cover key

aspects of PHC systems, including policy development and implementation, financina, integration of PHC into comprehensive health systems, scope, quality and coverage of care, governance and organization, & monitoring and evaluation of system performance. Please visit https:// www.who.int/alliancehpsr/projects/primasys/ en/ for more information and the case studies.



#### E-learning course on 'Case studies in primary health care'

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Public Health OpenCourseWare offers open materials from more than a
hundred courses developed by the faculty of
JHSPH, the world's foremost institution of public
health education and
research. The OCW
provides learning opportunities to all who pursue
improvement of health and
prevention of disease

around the world. The 'Case studies in primary health care' course introduces you to the origins, concepts, and development of community-based primary health care through case studies from both developing and developed countries. It uses real cases to help you develop problemsolving skills in practical situations. Participatory

approaches are discussed in the organization and management of health services and other factors such as equity, sociocultural change, environmental protection, and the process of community empowerment. Use the link: https://ocw.jhsph.edu/inde x.cfm/go/viewCourse/course/casestudiesinphc/coursePage/index/ to take the course.



#### Primary care: selected presentations & a course in primary care

Primary Care Part I: Selected Presentations and A Course in Primary Care is also offered by JHSPH. The course examines the meaning, practice, and effectiveness of primary care. Topics include disease, morbidity, primary care innovations, health equities and disparities, prevention, and care.
Please visit the link:
https://ocw.jhsph.edu/
index.cfm/go/
viewCourse/course/
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The Federal Ministry of Health, recognizing the importance of primary health care, established the International Institute for Primary Health Care - Ethiopia in 2016. The Institute is founded to contribute to and play a key role towards the development of a structured, proactive, flexible, problem-solving, and resilient PHC system. IIfPHC-E facilitates capacity building on operational, programmatic and managerial levels, including carrying out PHC systems implementation research and disseminating lessons learned by developing a variety of communication platforms both with Ethiopian and international mandates. The Institute facilitates the sharing of Ethiopia's successful Health Extension Program with low & middle-income countries interested in the establishment of grass-roots health systems and in the institutionalization of robust PHC movements in the African Region as a post Astana conference action.

We're on the web: http://iifphc.org/iifphc -resource-center/

#### Share your resources

Let us come together to learn from each other and achieve health for all through primary health care. If you/your orrials on primary health care, we are happy to include them in electronic or hard copy form in our Resource Center. Please contact us at: resourcecenter @iifphc.org if you have any material to contribute.

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#### Where can you find the **Resource Center**

The IIfPHC-E Resource Center provides service on first-come first served basis on site. The Center has 16 comfortable chairs and workstation computers for users. patrons. You can also use your laptops.

We are located at Ethiopian Public Health Institute, National Training Center, Second Floor, Room # 003.

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