

## **Multi-Year National Health Survey Plan**

The multi-year health survey plan launched in 2013 to provide the data and information needed for the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) in the National Institute for Health Research and also a list of surveys has proposed to apply followed by this study. At first, the plan included 12 studies to apply between 2014 and 2017. As a result of not including health income and expenditures in the MDGs, this survey has not covered this subject. Now, due to the end of the time period announced in the first plan, and then due to the completing the time period of the MDGs that has been replaced with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), reviewing and editing of the second version is necessary. This volume has been developed for the purpose of reviewing the multi-year health survey plan with the approach to supplying necessary information in SDGs. Therefore, the current version of the plan aims to cover international commitments to achieve SDGs and universal health coverage (UHC) and initially reviews all relevant international programs and indicators of these programs. Moreover, the national survey plans that the health sector is responsible to respond, has been reviewed. Selected programs are from a list of monitoring and evaluation indicators that trustee organization has published. Common indicators are removed and finally 220 indicators are listed in the final list. Among those, 190 indicators are indispensable in the international commitments category, and 30 indicators are in the national programs such as Health Equity Program or the National Universal Health Coverage, which are written in the country according to the international obligations and are considered as international obligation. In the next stage, the sources of information of these indicators are identified and the surveys related to these indicators are listed. The surveys are divided into three groups: Group 1, Group 2 and Group 3. These three surveys are categorized as following: Group 1 surveys: An information reference for a number of 220 indicators they have international equivalent, they have been implemented over the last 15 years in countries (not necessarily Iran), they have priority to plan and implement. Group 2 surveys are not information reference for 220 indicators, they have international equivalent, they have been implemented over the last 15 years in countries (and or Iran), this group will result in a comprehensive schedule, and if different offices request a survey that is not in the priorities of Group 1 and Group 3, it is placed in considering schedule criteria. Group 3 surveys are the information reference for a number of 220 indicators, they do not have international equivalent and therefore owing to the international obligations, country needs to pay attention to this group.