

Strategic component	Actions for countries	Support from WHO and other development partners
<b>Developing a vision and strategy for universal health coverage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Formulate a vision to transform the national health system towards UHC</li> <li>Establish a multisectoral mechanism for UHC at the highest level</li> <li>Institutionalize a mechanism for public involvement in the development and promotion of a UHC vision and strategy, e.g. through public representative assemblies and civil society.</li> <li>Undertake an evidence-informed health system review for UHC to assess the status of and gaps in financial protection, service and population coverage</li> <li>Develop a roadmap for health system strengthening to achieve UHC with short, medium and long-term goals</li> <li>Strengthen reliable monitoring and evaluation system to track, evaluate and report UHC progress</li> <li>Enhance public investment and public-private partnership for UHC</li> <li>Promote implementation research for UHC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facilitate convening of stakeholders for dialogues on UHC vision and strategies</li> <li>Share global experience, evidence and good practices in strengthening health systems towards UHC</li> <li>Develop national capacities in health system strengthening and leadership for UHC</li> <li>Provide technical support to strengthen national health information systems to effectively monitor and evaluate equitable progress towards UHC</li> <li>Provide support for improving public investment, public-private partnership, resource mobilization and aid-effectiveness</li> </ul>
<b>Improving health financing system performance and enhancing financial risk protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop and implement an evidence-informed health financing strategy for UHC</li> <li>Analyse health expenditure patterns and health financing arrangements using household surveys, health accounts and other diagnostic tools to identify gaps and underlying causes</li> <li>Track the incidence of catastrophic health expenditures and impoverishment, differentiated along socioeconomic and demographic dimensions</li> <li>Engage with national finance authorities to promote predictable public financing for health and ensure alignment with health sector requirements for UHC</li> <li>Explore creative revenue raising mechanisms for health</li> <li>Establish/expand prepayment arrangements, e.g. social health insurance and general government revenue arrangements, to limit out-of-pocket payments</li> <li>Reduce fragmentation in pooling arrangements across different schemes to avoid negative consequences for equity and efficiency</li> <li>Move from passive to strategic purchasing arrangements (by linking decisions on resource allocation to information on providers' performance and health needs)</li> <li>Unify national information systems for provider payment</li> <li>Identify sources of health sector inefficiencies and ensure value for money</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assist in development of health financing reform options for advancing UHC</li> <li>Support the development of national health care financing strategies towards UHC</li> <li>Support the "health budget dialogue" for UHC, covering issues of fiscal sustainability and public financial management</li> <li>Build capacities on health expenditure surveys, health accounting, economic evaluation and other health financing system diagnostic tools</li> <li>Develop guidance on prepayment arrangements including social health insurance</li> <li>Facilitate exchange of knowledge and experience between policy-makers and financial managers on health financing reform</li> <li>Build regional and national consensus on health financing reforms for UHC</li> </ul>
<b>Expanding the coverage of needed health services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improve quality, safety and continuity of care by expanding person-centred integrated health service delivery</li> <li>Design and implement a service package of highest priority evidence-informed person- and population-based interventions</li> <li>Improve health workforce availability, accessibility, quality and performance to meet current and future health service requirements</li> <li>Ensure reliable access to, and regulation, quality, safety and affordability of essential medicines and health technologies, as part of the services package, appropriately employing health technology assessment (HTA)</li> <li>Integrate emergency health care in service delivery to enhance health system resilience</li> <li>Strengthen engagement with and regulation of for-profit and not-for-profit private sector for service provision in support of UHC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facilitate national planning for accelerating implementation of integrated quality health services, including progressive adoption of the family practice model</li> <li>Develop guidance on designing, costing and implementing a service package of highest priority interventions</li> <li>Support development and implementation of national strategic plans in the context of the regional strategic framework for health workforce development</li> <li>Assist in the development of national policies and strategies for quality of care and patient safety</li> <li>Support national efforts in improving access to essential medicines and health technologies, including promoting the use and institutionalization of HTA</li> <li>Build capacity in assessing, regulating and partnering with the private sector</li> </ul>
<b>Ensuring expansion and monitoring of population coverage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prioritize expansion of service coverage and financial protection for vulnerable and informal groups as part of the Sustainable Development Goals</li> <li>Collect data, disaggregated by socioeconomic and demographic factors, to monitor equity in progress towards UHC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Share experience from countries on mechanisms to cover informal and vulnerable groups</li> <li>Develop a framework for monitoring population coverage and UHC</li> </ul>