

A partnership project for moving towards UHC to promote health protection in the post pandemic recovery



GLO + UHC

The Partnership Project for **Global Health and Universal Health Coverage (GLO+UHC) Phase 2**

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UHC in the context of SDGs



The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (SDGs)

(Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development)

Paragraph 26

“to promote physical and mental health and well-being, and to extend life expectancy for all, **we must achieve universal health coverage** and access to quality healthcare. No one must be left behind.”

Goal 3. Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

3.8 Achieve **universal health coverage**, including financial risk protection, access to quality essential health-care services and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable essential medicines and vaccines for all

3.8.1: Service Coverage Index

3.8.2: Financial Protection



Concept of Universal Health Coverage (UHC)

2005 : World Health Assembly Resolution (WHA 58.33)

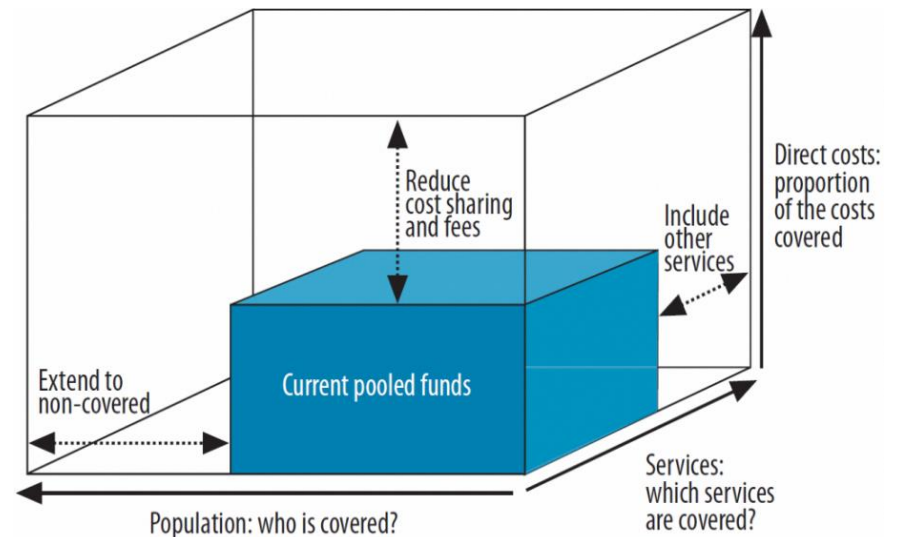
Sustainable health financing, universal coverage and social health insurance

Universal coverage is defined as access to key promotive, preventive, curative and rehabilitative **health interventions for all at an affordable cost**, thereby achieving equity in access.

2010 : The World Health Report

Three dimensions to consider when moving towards **Universal Health Coverage**

- ① Proportion of the ***population*** to be covered
- ② Range of ***services*** to be made available
- ③ Proportion of the total ***costs*** to be met



GLO+UHC as a partnership project



Target 17.9: Enhanced SDG capacity in developing countries

- Enhance international support for implementing effective and targeted capacity-building in developing countries to support national plans to implement all the Sustainable Development Goals
- Including through
 - North-South cooperation
 - South-South cooperation, and
 - **Triangular cooperation**

A wide range of health agendas, including COVID-19, stretches across borders and requires global partnerships, commitments and solutions.

Outline of the GLO+UHC Project Phase 2



Overall Goal (Phase 2):

Partnerships between Thailand and Japan on UHC and global health are strengthened and used **to support other countries.**

Project Purpose (Phase 2):

Capacity on UHC implementation in particular **health financing** and **health workforce** and global health of Thailand and other countries are strengthened.

Country: Thailand and Participating Countries

Implementing Organization: Ministry of Public Health, National Health Security Office

Term of Cooperation: Phase1: July 14, 2016 to July 13, 2020, **Phase2:** Dec 11, 2020 to Dec 10, 2023

Output 1. Experiences on UHC are learnt and shared between Thailand and Japan to contribute to improving the UHC in both countries.



Output 2. Capacity development for UHC implementation and global health in other countries is organized.



Output 3. Practical practices and lessons learnt in UHC implementation and global health (mainly from Japan and Thailand) are shared and promoted at national, regional and global levels..

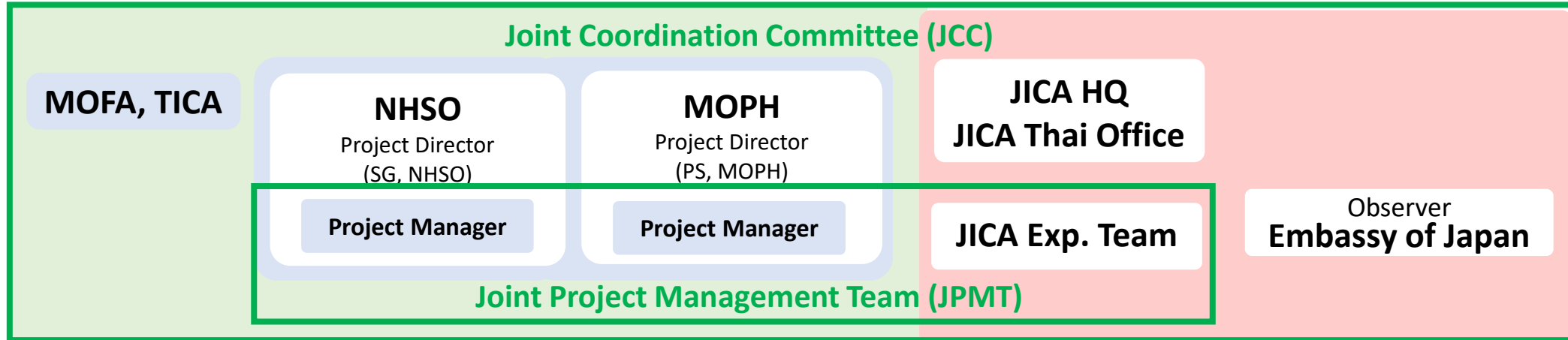


Structure and Activities of GLO+UHC Project Phase 2

Thai-side

Japan-side

As of 30 Aug 2021



Working Teams

Priority Areas

Health Finance

- Fee Schedule
- DRG
- Claim and Audit
- Consumer Protection Service
- Primary Health Care (PHC)

Health Workforce

- Registry (Distribution)
- Continuing Professional Development (CPD)
- Interprofessional Education (IPE)
- New Normal Training

Service Delivery

- Universal Health Coverage for Children and Mothers(U4C)

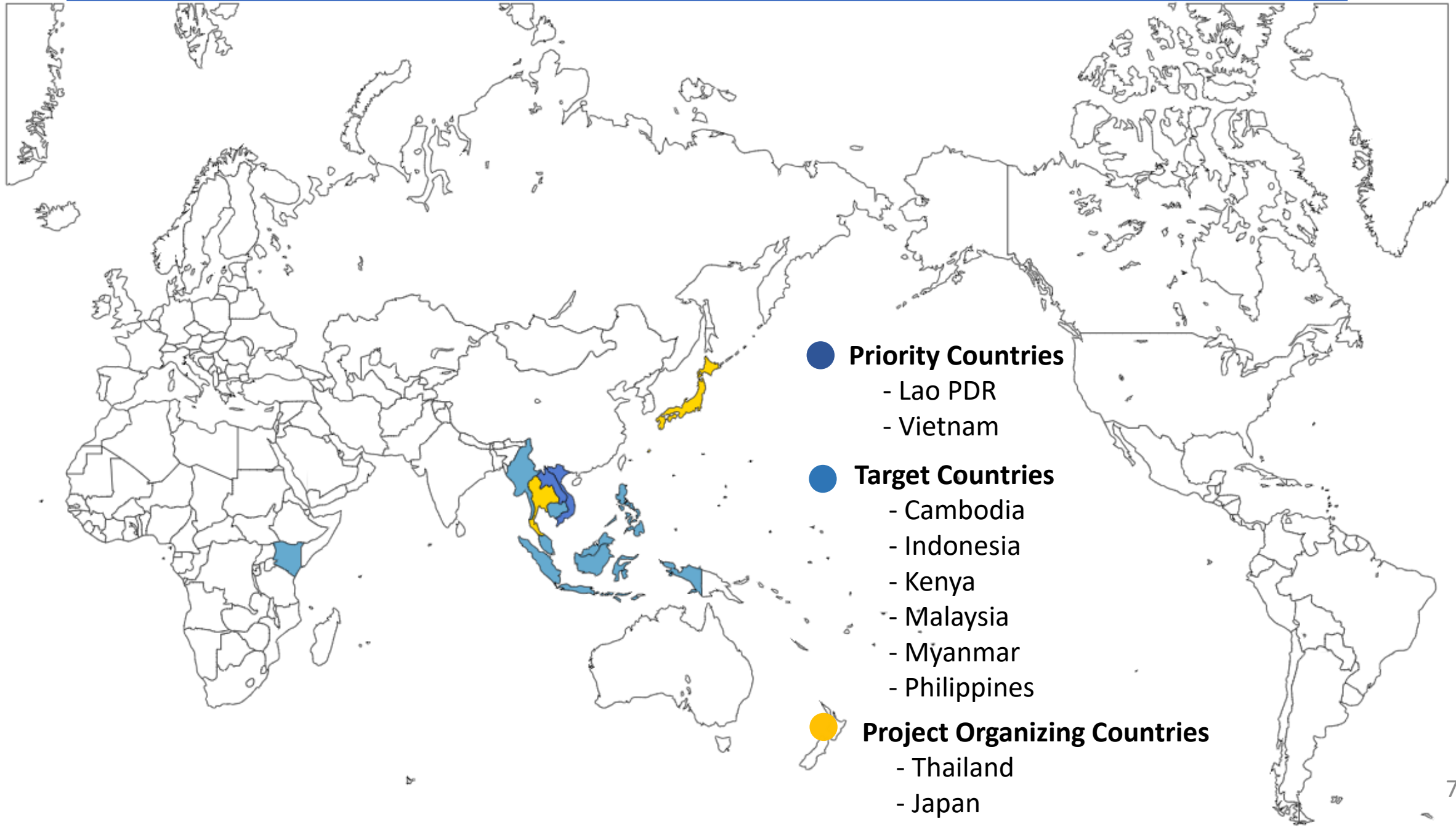
Health Information System

- Collaborative Reserches using big data

Knowledge Sharing on Global Health & UHC through international conferences, Ws and websites

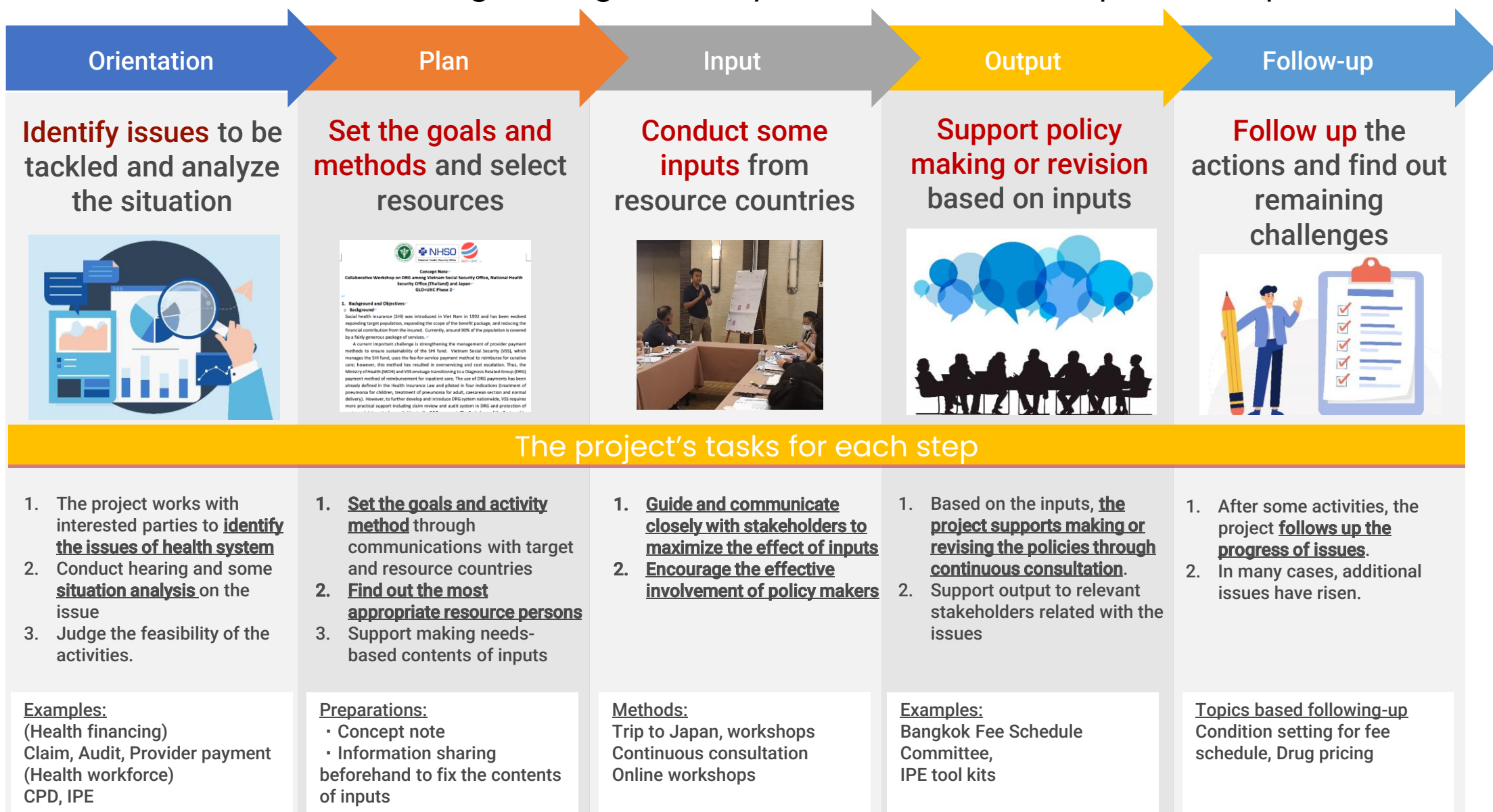
- Global Health Diplomacy Workshop
- UHC Journey
- PMAC
- Resource Center
- UHC Learning Hub

Priority, Target and Participating Countries of GLO+UHC Project Phase 2

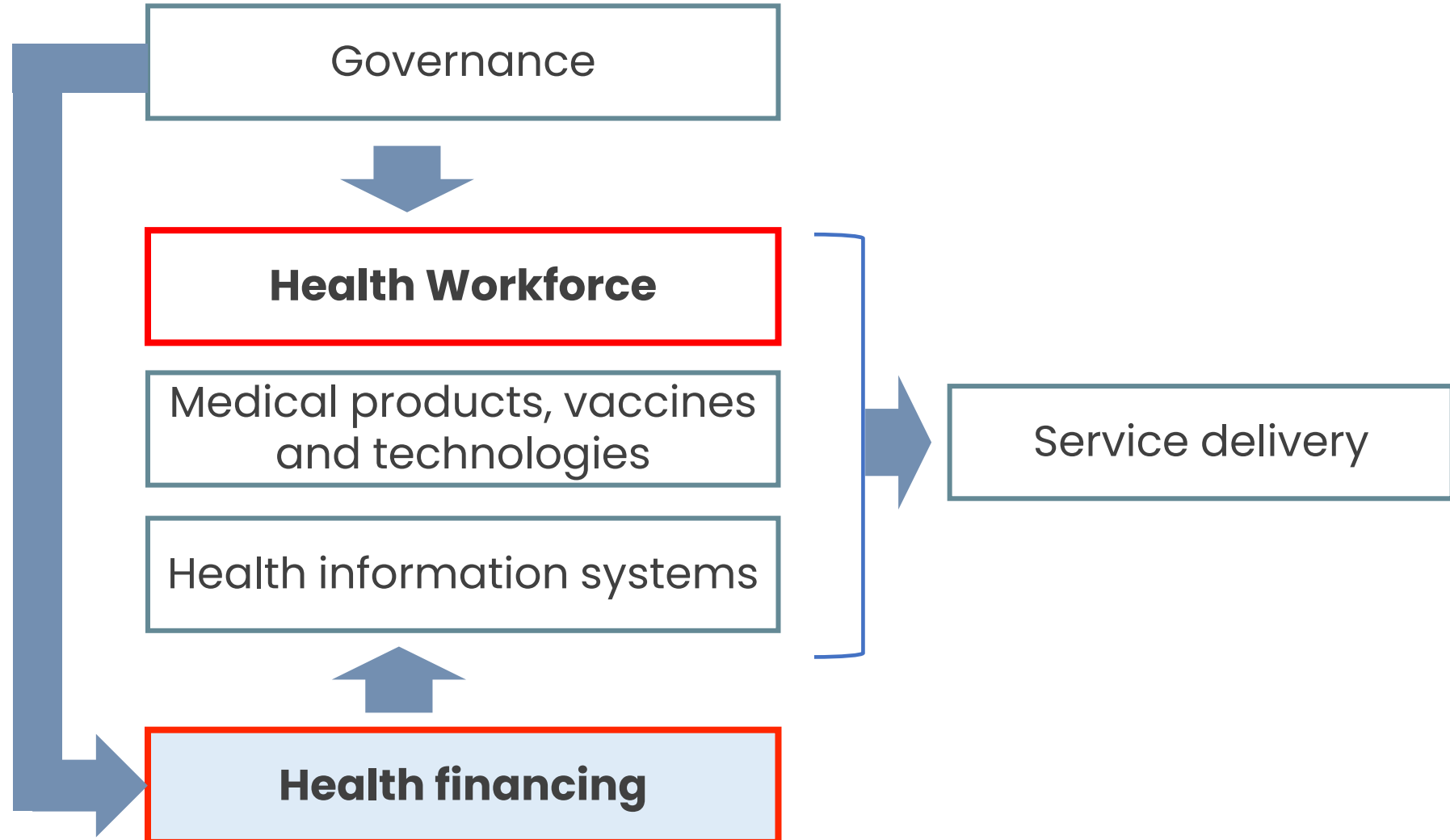


Steps of GLO+UHC activities

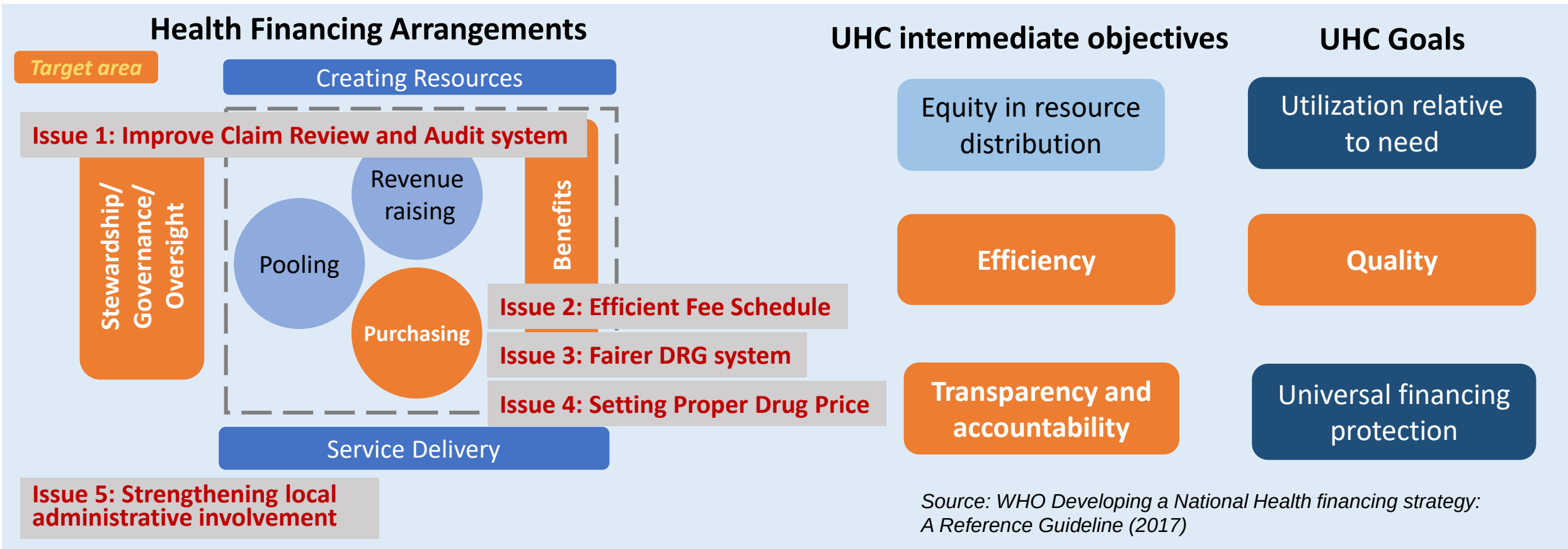
— Methods for strengthening health systems based on the partnership —



6 building blocks of health system



Approach to Health Finance by GLO+UHC2 activities

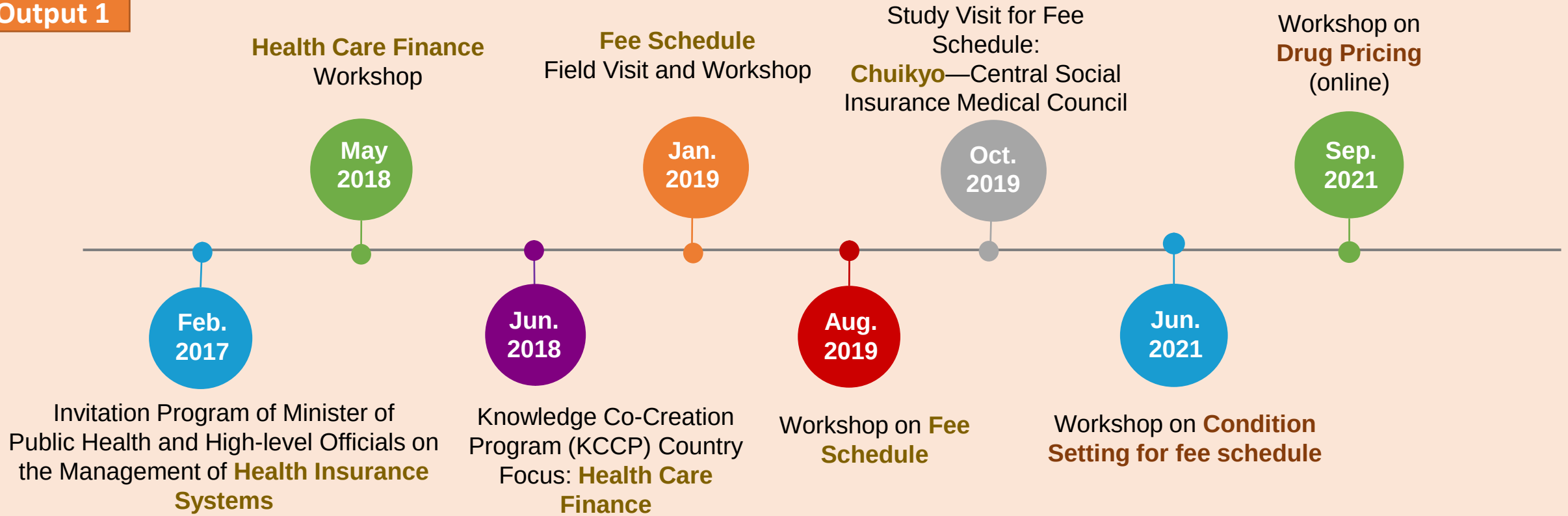


The Project puts focus on the 5 issues based on the interviews to NHSO officials

- **Purchasing:** Efficient fee schedule, Fairer DRG system, Setting proper drug price
- **Oversight:** Improve claim review and audit system
- **Service delivery x Governance:** Strengthening local administrative involvement

Activities on Fee Schedule

Output 1



Main Achievements

The fee schedule committee in Bangkok Region modelled on Japan's Central Social Insurance Medical Council was established in Jan. 2019

NHSO expanded the fee schedule system nationwide in Oct. 2022

Items using fee schedule expanded to 3,752 (health services) + 1,852 (drug)

Collaboration with ASEAN member states on **health finance**

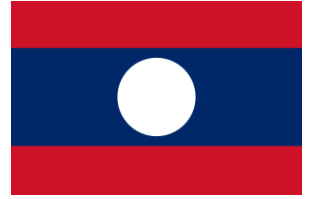
Lao PDR

1st : “Thailand **UHC, Governance, Success and Challenge**” on 10 August 2021

2nd : “**e-Claim System** in Thailand” on 16 December 2021

3rd: High-level policy dialogue “**Reform of Lao PDR’s health financing**” on 4 March 2022

4th: “Institution strengthening towards UHC in Lao PDR: Cross country lessons learned from Thailand” on 20-22 December 2022.



Viet Nam

“Online Workshop among Viet Nam, Thailand and Japan” on 28 June 2021

→ Received official letter from Viet Nam Social Security (VSS) on **DRG, Claim Review, and Pricing**



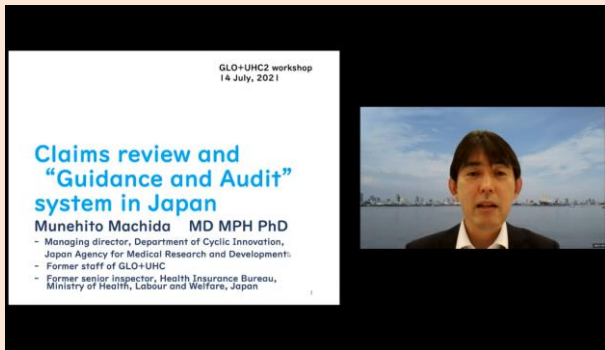
The Philippines

Planning to collaborate with the Philippines regarding health financing, in particular, **DRG development**



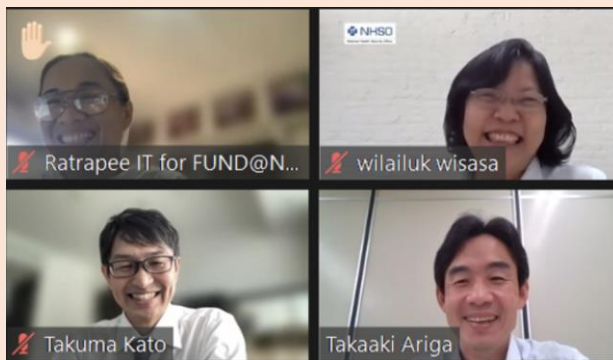
Activities on Claim Review and Audit System

Output 1



Online workshop on **Overview** of claim review and “guidance and audit” system

Jul. 2021



Online workshop on **AI claim review** by a claim review agency

Oct. 2021



Study trip to Japan: **Comprehensive practical lessons** through experience sharing by
 -a supervising agency
 -a claim review agency
 -an insurer, and
 -medical institutions

Jul. 2022



Output 2

Mar. 2021

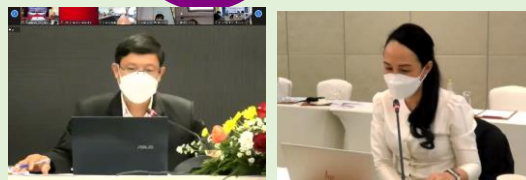
Questionnaire survey of the Country needs



Discussions through emails, preparatory online meetings, etc.

Dec. 2021

Lao PDR: Online workshop on e-claim system



Today Oct. 2022

International Workshop for Claim Management System with **Lao PDR, Viet Nam, Philippines, Indonesia, and Sudan**

Oct. 2022

Sudan: UHC training in Thailand

Dec. 2022

Lao PDR: Study Visit to Udon Thani & Vientian

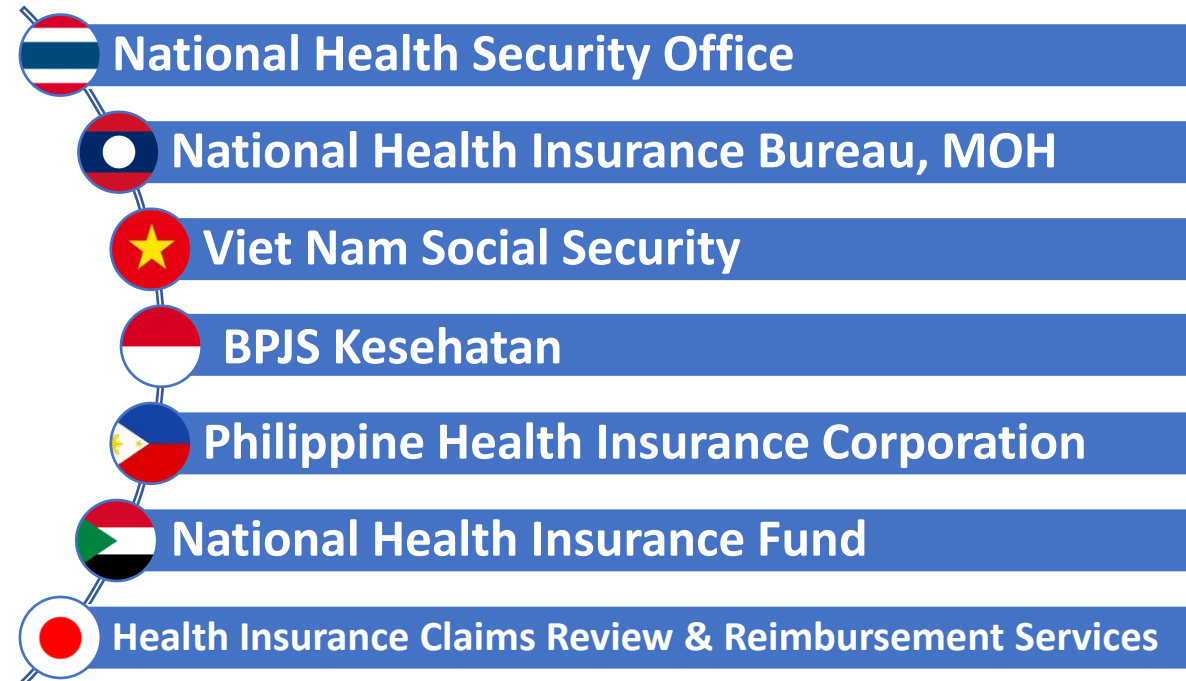
International Claim Management Workshop on 12 Oct. 2022

● Objectives

- To share information and experiences of the claim management system, in particular, e-claim and claim review and audit, among participating countries.
- To explore the possibility of improving the claim management system in each country.

● Key messages

- A common challenge that they are facing was how they **improve health information system** to connect with claim management system.
- Countries need to continue developing claim management system in order **to respond to new demands**, such as reimbursement of home visit services and tele-medicine, which have increased in demand under COVID-19 pandemic.
- The effective claim management system is **to enable providing quality service delivery.**



Resource centers

Learning materials (incl. articles, books, and videos) summarizing our experiences are available online!

IHPP Resource Center

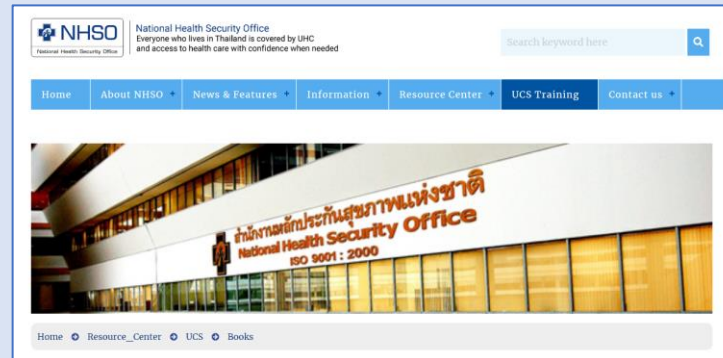
covers the knowledge sharing of global health issues and UHC from a broad perspective



<https://www.resourceihpp.com/site/home>

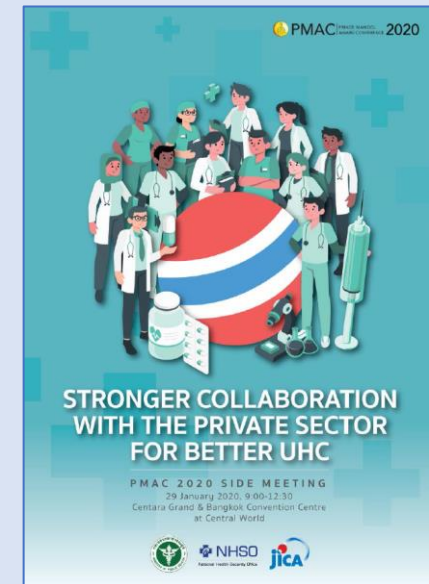
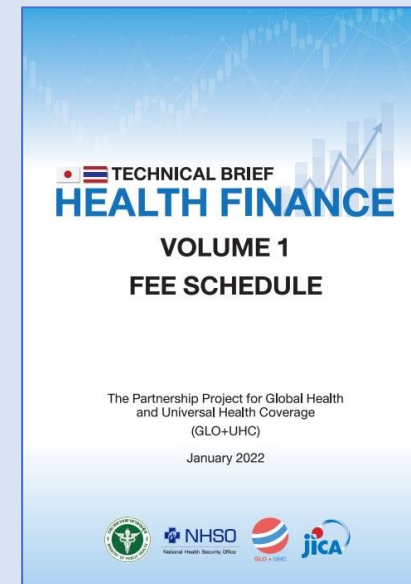
NHSO Resource Center

focuses more on the development of UHC, i.e., Universal Coverage Scheme (UCS) and its health financing system.



<https://eng.nhso.go.th/view/1/Home/EN-US>

Also, technical reports and leaflets of the GLO+UHC Project are available.



Conclusion

The Partnership Project is a good example of Triangular Cooperation in health system strengthening to achieve/improve UHC

Under the COVID-19 pandemic, the world has become more aware that UHC is essential for improving health emergency responsiveness and preparedness

Health finance contains quite practical issues, hence sharing lessons learned among officials in charge can be contributory to improving health financing scheme in countries

A problem-oriented approach emphasizing practical and interactive discussions on each country's priority issues effectively enhanced mutual learnings

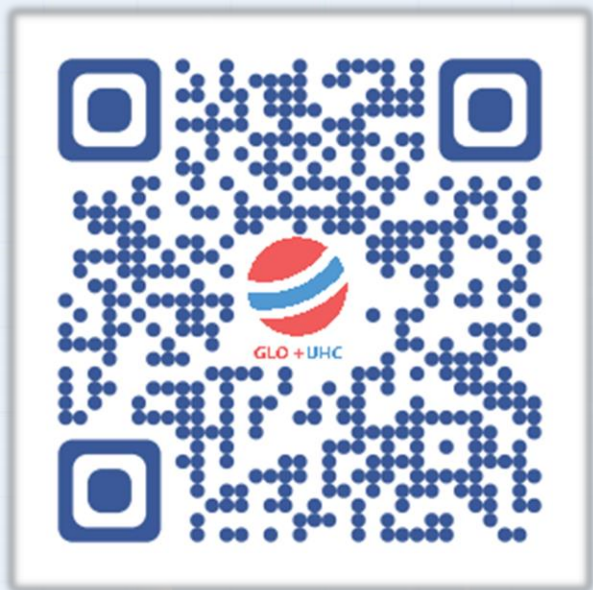
We look forward to cooperation of **ASSA** and each member institution to further advance our collaborative efforts in health finance and social health protection toward achievement of UHC in ASEAN and the world!

Thank you for listening! Please join us!

We welcome further collaboration with you!



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