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Thomas Cueni, Director General, IFPMA

50 years global health progress



- ✓ Life expectancy has increased from 47 years (1948) to 72 today worldwide.
- ✓ We eradicated smallpox. This disease infected 50 million people in 1948.
- ✓ Today we have 26 vaccines to prevent diseases. Immunization saves between 2 and 3 million children's lives per year.
- ✓ HIV / AIDS, once fatal, has now become a controllable disease. Today 21 million have access to ARV therapy.

Need to do better to bring innovative medicines to more patients



- Despite tremendous progress much more needs to be done to bring the fruits of our innovation to all.
- People are still paying too much out of their own pockets
- We need to do more to tackle health system failures.
- Progress will be hampered as long as Universal Health Coverage (UHC) is not in place.

Health is the wisest investment a country can make



**UNIVERSAL
HEALTH
COVERAGE:
EVERYONE,
EVERYWHERE**

**“UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE IS A
POLITICAL CHOICE. IT TAKES VISION,
COURAGE AND LONG-TERM THINKING. BUT
THE PAYOFF IS A SAFER, FAIRER AND
HEALTHIER WORLD FOR EVERYONE.”**

Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General WHO

Health For All is history in the making - you can help make it a reality. Universal health coverage means ensuring all people receive the health services they need without being pushed into poverty by paying for them.

More dialogue and partnerships



“We must also engage more proactively with private sector companies, who have the products and services the world needs, and who can teach us a lot about innovation for success.”

“We don’t need to be paranoid and risk-averse. Let’s learn to work with civil society, the private sector and others”. Dr Tedros, Director-General WHO

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