## World Health Day, 7 April 2018: Universal health coverage: everyone, everywhere

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World Health Day, 7 April, will focus on universal health coverage.

In this 70th anniversary year, the World Health Organization is calling on world leaders to live up to the pledges they made when they agreed the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in 2015, and commit to concrete steps to advance universal health coverage (UHC). This means ensuring that everyone, everywhere can access essential quality health services without facing financial hardship by 2030 (SDG3.8).

## Today, too many people still miss out on health coverage and financial protection

- At least half the world's people don't receive the essential health services they need.
- About 100 million people are being pushed into extreme poverty (