

eHealth and Community-Based Health Care: Chances and potentials for Multi-Stakeholder-Partnerships



Ensure healthy lives and promote wellbeing for all at all ages - the third Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) understands health as the "goal, requirement and outcome of sustainable development". The focus is reducing child mortality, improve mother and child health as well as the fight against malnutrition. It is clear that without functioning health systems there will be no stable political, economical and social improvement.

Maternal and Child Mortality – Preventable?

Worldwide, more than 15,000 children die every day before reaching their fifth birthday. Data shows that easily preventable causes, such as diarrhea, respiratory diseases or complications during pregnancy and birth, are among the main reasons for high mortality rates, especially in Africa and South Asia.

Universal Access to Health Care?

One of the reasons for these preventable diseases and subsequent deaths is that many people do not have access to health services. In rural areas, there is a significant lack of accessible health care services, while in urban areas, poor communities often cannot afford the existing quality health care.

Creating Access to Health – Opportunities of Community-based Approaches

In addition to building a public health system, community-based health services can save many lives. Fundamentally qualified community people literally offer "first aid", even in the most remote places: So-called community health workers provide initial diagnoses, prescribe simple, but effective medications, refer patients to clinics, and provide health education and counseling.

Potential of eHealth Solutions

The use of smartphones and mobile internet in Africa is growing at the fastest rate worldwide. Hence, there is an enormous potential to provide health care in completely new ways. Especially in rural areas, the potential of support by local health workers pays off. Facilitating diagnosis, treatment, patient management and training are, among other things, in the center of attention.

Strengthening Health Systems through Multi-Stakeholder Partnerships

To tackle the causes of maternal and child mortality, governments, multilateral organizations, non-governmental organizations and the private sector need to act together. It must be the aim to provide access to health services for all, regardless of their social status or place of residence. In addition to accessibility, those affected must be empowered in order to better recognize illnesses, seek help at early stages, or take other preventative measures.

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The Workshop

GOALS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Raising awareness of the opportunities of community-based health services in the context of SDG 3 2. Generating ideas for multi-stakeholder partnerships to combat child mortality/ to promote health care through eHealth with a focus on community-based health care in emerging and developing countries
RESULTS	First ideas for multi-stakeholder partnerships
PARTICIPANTS	30-40 participants from the corporate sector, civil society and public sector
DURATION	3 hours 45 minutes
MODERATION	Dr. Aline Menden, endeava & Philipp Appel, Save the Children e.V.
WORKSHOP FORMAT	<p><i>Interactive workshop with a short keynote speech and three specific topics:</i></p> <p>Table 1: Social innovations through digital education? Potential for qualification, counseling and education in the health sector through digital education (Moderation: GHP & GIZ)</p> <p>Table 2: Innovations, but which ones? Potential of eHealth solutions in the context of community-based health care Case study, potential analysis and ideation with an example of community health workers in Kenya (Moderation: Save the Children)</p> <p>Table 3: How to jointly turn ideas into impact? Success factors for partnerships between corporates and NGOs in the health sector Case-based development of success factors for partnerships between corporates and NGOs in the health sector (Moderation: endeava)</p>

The Agenda

09:15am	Registration
09:30am	Welcome (GHP, Save the Children & endeava)
09:45am	<p>Keynote speech and Q&A (Save the Children & endeava) Child mortality / maternal health and its global & local dimensions; Community-based health services and its relevance The need for innovation and multi-stakeholder partnerships</p>
10:30am	Introduction of the methodology of group work at the topic tables
10:45am	Development and exchange of ideas
11:35am	Presentation of ideas by the moderator
11:50am	Questions & invitation for further development of ideas and wrap-up
12:15pm	Buffet Lunch
01:00pm	End of workshop