Universal Health Insurance an overview

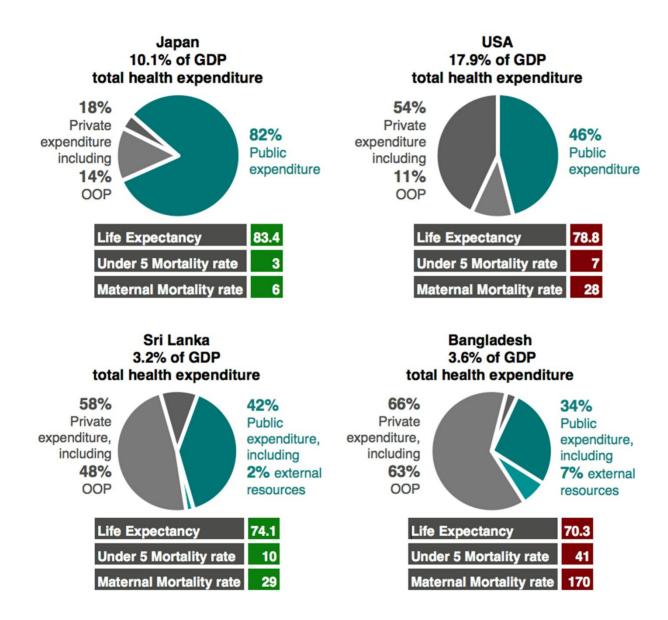
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What should the goal be of a Health System in a country?

- My Answer
 - A healthy population via the most cost effective methods
 - This provides all sorts of benefits to society, if done by lower cost methods
- Universal health coverage is often proposed by WHO and others
 - Focus is on collecting more revenue, rarely is there a focus on cost effectiveness

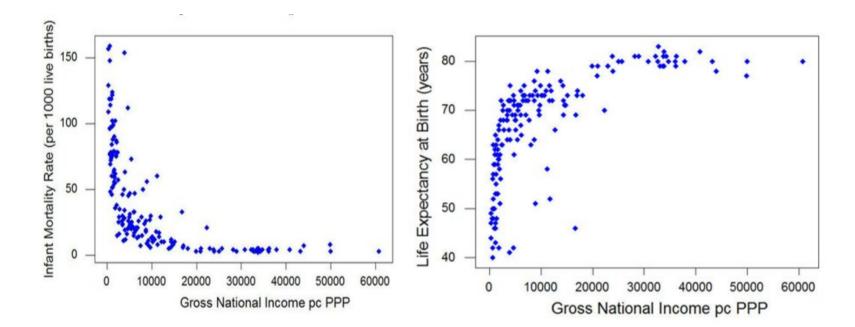


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Universal Health Coverage

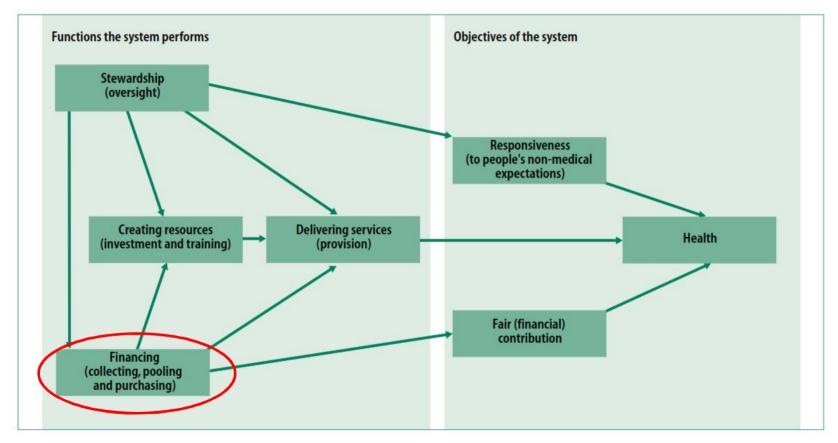
- Should be a comprehensive health system, which is managed with evidence based information to develop the correct structure towards an improved health of the population.
 - This requires management, governance and monitoring

Higher income = Higher life expectancy and lower infant mortality



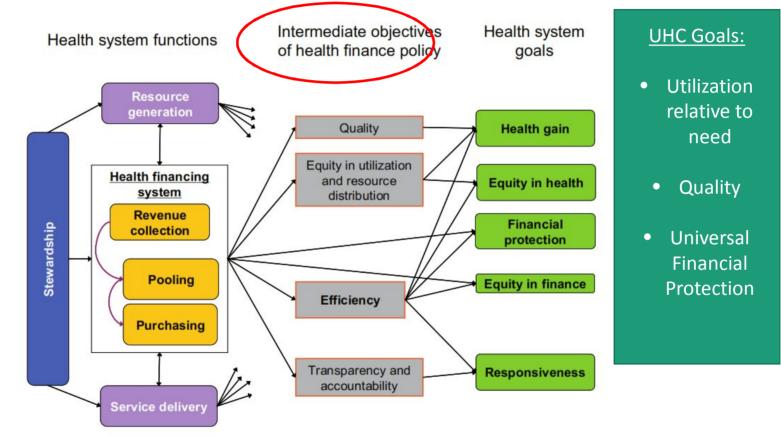
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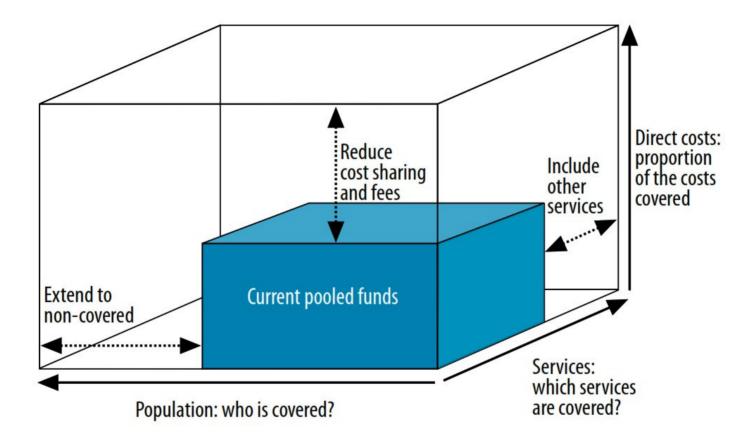
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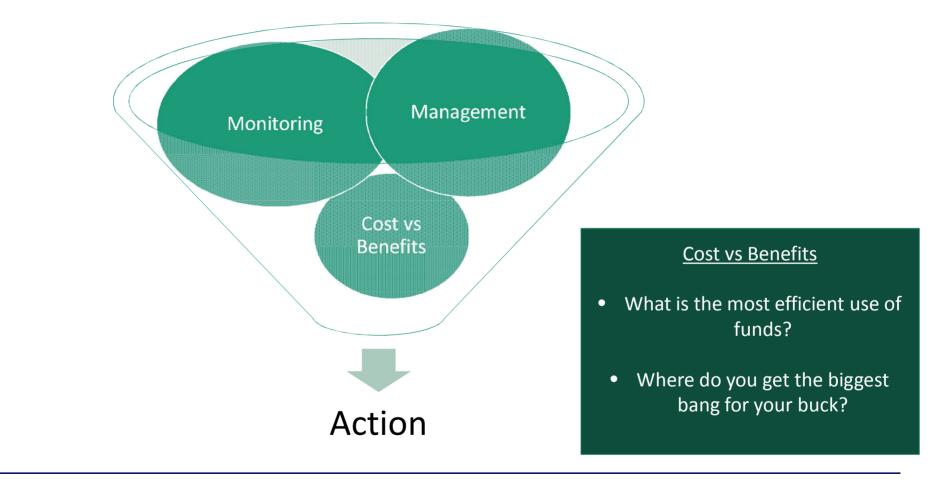
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The key to a successful framework.....



Where should priority be

- Prevention and health promotion
- Primary care
- Hospitalization

Addition thoughts

- Understand the current and evolving burden of disease
- Understand current and future health resources
- Revenue sources
 - Public
 - Private
- Governance
- Monitoring
- Communication with all stakeholders
- What is role of private sector insurance?