

Statement on Agenda Item 11.4—Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

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PATH calls on WHO to work with member states to ensure that they meet their budget targets on funding for health. Without sustainable domestic financing for health the world will never achieve UHC.

Furthermore, although progress has been made toward achieving our global goals, business as usual will not be enough. WHO must develop and promote a strategy to support member states in advancing and implementing the rollout of innovative technologies and service delivery approaches. We call on WHO to concretely articulate how it will engage partners and support member states in the development and deployment of new tools to achieve better health outcomes now and in the decade to come.

Finally, ensuring health for all will require the scale up of the highest impact, evidence-based interventions. This includes comprehensive sexual and reproductive health and rights. Access to high-quality sexual and reproductive health services should never depend on where you live or who you are. To truly achieve UHC—and realize its health, economic, and social benefits—we must advance a UHC agenda that recognizes and prioritizes SRHR and delivers critical lifesaving services to all people who require them.