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**2024 Global Health
Policy Forum**

Global Health Leadership in Turbulent Times

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Convening over three days at Pfizer and the City University of New York (CUNY), **PQMD's 6th annual Global Health Policy Forum** explored how industry, development, and community leaders are navigating the accelerating pressures that define our time, while galvanizing lasting and transformative change to achieve access to quality healthcare.

In the opening comments, PQMD's Executive Director, Elizabeth (EJ) Ashbourne, noted that **turbulence and uncertainty define this new era in global health**, and that we are increasingly grappling with a multitude of obstacles that demand our attention and test whether we are equipped to meet the moment. Speakers discussed a wide array of topics including the challenges of leading and prioritizing access to medicines in an environment of escalating natural disasters, historic levels of forcibly displaced people, debt-distressed LMICs, and diminishing resources. We also discussed the new ESG accountability requirements, shrinking financing options, lack of preparedness for the next pandemic, and significant questions about our shared understanding of global humanitarian principles. In this context, speakers noted that **change creates turbulence, but also opportunity**. As things happen around us at a dizzying pace, partnerships are expanding, new rules of engagement are replacing antiquated international structures, and technological advances are being applied at scale. It appears to be the **right time to start innovating, activating some new strategies, and expanding what we know works**.

The cornerstones of our discussions included **accountability, partnerships, sustainability, multi-sectoral engagement, collaboration, and action as the vital ingredients in viable solutions**. We agreed that as leaders and practitioners in the global health community, we can ensure that regardless of how uncertain and complex the times may be, **our responses will be guided by empathy, compassion, ethics, humility, and the wellbeing of all individuals**.

As one speaker noted, **"These are the moments that PQMD was built for."** PQMD was highlighted as an alliance of doers and a tight knit group with a shared mission that openly collaborates, remains flexible and adaptable to circumstances, and drops competitive walls to work towards common solutions. Our success, history and culture are built on the willingness of the private, nonprofit and public sectors to collaborate, listen, learn, create shared currency, and act together. We enjoy the privilege of trust, the wisdom of experience, and the security of strong partnerships. It was clear that we truly are built to meet this very moment.

Our Thanks: Of course, these compelling discussions and opportunities to consider solutions and make critical connections would not have been possible without our generous sponsors: Pfizer, Merck, and CMMB. We thank them for their collaboration, valuable program guidance, and for hosting us in their beautiful city. Gratitude also goes to our content advisors; Veronica Arroyave, Erica Tavares, Mark Chataway, and Jeffrey Sturchio, for their vision, knowledge and commitment to ensure a thought-provoking and engaging agenda. Lastly, we'd like to formally acknowledge and thank all of our tremendous speakers and attendees who lent us their time, expertise, and energetic participation in the conversations. We appreciate you allowing us to challenge your assumptions, and we hope that everyone walked away with some new information and relationships that will continue to foster a common sense of purpose and resolve to provide sustainable access to quality health care in underserved communities and populations in crisis.

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170+

Attendees



90

Organizations



20

Sessions



50

Speakers

DAY 1: EXECUTIVE FORUM

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024



GLOBAL HEALTH LEADERSHIP IN TURBULENT TIMES: GALVANIZING TRANSFORMATIVE CHANGE

We are in a time of unprecedented change. Global health leaders from the public and private sectors are faced with responding to catastrophic natural disasters, global pandemics, deadly regional conflicts and humanitarian crises, amplified by the burden of climate change and a decline of health outcomes. At the same time, we must and are expanding our awareness, tactics, and standards to keep us nimble, flexible, and creative to continue to deliver life-saving health products and resources to those in need. Together at PQMD's Global Health Executive Forum, we examined how industry, development, and community leaders are navigating the accelerating pressures that define our time while simultaneously galvanizing lasting and transformative change in access to quality healthcare.



During this keynote interview, discussion focused on the current state and reality of global health architecture and if it is fit for purpose especially during these turbulent times.



In this [video montage](#), the panel's speakers review the highlights of their discussion including that new partnership models are needed to address the challenging global health environment while meeting locally-defined priorities and agendas and delivering meaningful and sustainable impact.

DAY 2: GLOBAL HEALTH POLICY FORUM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024



ADAPTING TO CONVERGING CRISES IMPACTING HEALTH

The convergence of climate impacts and security threats is having a confounding and detrimental impact on health access and outcomes, further fueling environmental, social and financial uncertainty. These crises are complex and unfolding during a time of heightened global conscience and when global and local leadership are negotiating and re-aligning a "new public health order." Decision makers are forced to prioritize, mitigate risk and foster innovation across investments and program interventions. During this forum, we navigated dynamic geopolitical and philanthropic forces while balancing global and local ecosystems that impact health delivery. We also acknowledged and explored the economic ambiguity that is the direct result of the trending environmental and social unpredictability.



[In this video](#), Dr. El Mohandes reviews the highlights of his Keynote speech sharing the results of a recent study indicating a correlation between trust in science and both education and income. Faced with creeping skepticism and a time of misinformation, he emphasized the need for cultural literacy to speak the language of the communities we serve.



This fireside chat centered around the necessity to build and strengthen the links, communication, and crossover between the health and diplomatic space to be able to make life-saving real time decisions.



[In this brief video](#), speaker, Rt Hon Miliband, recaps the discussion that delved into the critical gap between progress and potential, exploring innovative strategies to bring global health solutions to those lacking access to the latest technologies.



[In this video](#), Jeff Sturchio previews his panel's discussion including the need to develop new mechanisms and partnerships to implement and accelerate new scalable models to mobilize financial resources in these turbulent times.



[Here](#), speaker Allison Goldberg recaps the highlights of her panel discussion including the importance of community-led partnerships and development.



[In this interview](#), Paul Knox Clarke, discusses the highlights of his speech on the impacts of climate change in various aspects of health, global policy and financial movements.



Panelists discussed the mounting demands on public health, and identified some of the vital ingredients to confront these challenges: targeted funding and programming; increased collaboration, coordination, and accountability among different sectors; game-changing technological innovations; an educated and informed public; and engaged and passionate upcoming generations.

DAY 3: GLOBAL HEALTH POLICY FORUM

THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2024



Global Health Leadership in Turbulent Times

FRAMING A STRATEGY FOR TRANSFORMATIVE CHANGE TO INCREASE ACCESS TO QUALITY HEALTHCARE

Multi-sector partnerships are the cornerstone to increasing access to quality healthcare and an imperative to addressing and engaging with disasters and longer-term humanitarian response. Given the increase in crises and projected trajectory, the shifting funding environment, and an unprecedented level of humanitarian need, we focused on and explored the impact and scalability of new, equitable and flexible models of partnership. Sessions also looked at scaling the other tools in our toolbox from technological innovations to lessons learned from recent health crises, and early warning systems as well as other resources that can help us strategize for the future. The Forum concluded with a discussion of the challenge of keeping humanity at the center of all the global efforts to address the confluence of crises which may be the beacon necessary to embrace true transformative change.

SCENE SETTER: TRANSFORMING PARTNERSHIP EQUITY, EXPECTATIONS, & OUTCOMES



Desta Lakew
General Director, Partnerships & External Affairs
Amorah Health Africa

[In this video](#), Desta Lakew, recaps the highlights of her speech emphasizing the need to ensure that partnerships consider local needs, priorities and capabilities to ensure sustainability.

PARTNERSHIP HOTSHOTS



During this round of rapid-fire presentations, our speakers highlighted multi-stakeholder partnerships focused on transformational approaches and/or results while building sustainability and resilience at local and global levels. [Review their presentations here](#).

TECH FOR GOOD: VEHICLE FOR TRANSFORMATION



[In this video](#), Lance Pierce previews his panel's discussion on the use of digital tech and data in healthcare contexts, emphasizing that in global health work, we must keep the recipients in focus and meet the needs and context of the people. We must not simply deploy tech for its' own sake.

FIRESIDE CHAT - PANDEMIC & DISEASE OUTBREAKS: INSIGHTS FOR STRENGTHENING URBAN HEALTH SYSTEMS (PREVENTION, PARTNERSHIPS & RESILIENCE)



[Here](#), Dr. Boufford, recaps her panel's discussion of lessons learned in the management of the Covid-19 response in NYC including the strengthening of local capacity and political will; and the importance of investing in workforce and partnerships during "peace time" periods for preparedness when emergencies invariably arise.

FIRESIDE CHAT - CLIMATE SENSITIVE INFECTIOUS DISEASES: STRATEGIZING FOR THE FUTURE



[In this video](#), Mark Chataway previews the discussion with Dr. Rao on the Rockefeller Foundation's work around climate change and infectious disease, and the global health sector's need to include climate change in all our planning and programming.

FIRESIDE CHAT: KEEPING HUMANITY AS OUR LODESTAR



Watch Dr. Sturchio's [preview](#) of his chat with Dr. Singer emphasizing that while many of the challenges we face are often daunting and paralyzing, it is important to simply start somewhere. Implement one thing and make an impact where you can.

LEADING IN TURBULENCE: BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS FOR SCALE WHILE KEEPING HUMANITY AT THE CENTER



[Here](#), Perry Yeatman, previews her panel's discussion highlighting the need to keep humanity at the center of all discourse and decisions being made.

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GLOBAL HEALTH LEADERSHIP IN TURBULENT TIMES: NAVIGATING CHALLENGES AND BUILDING RESILIENCE

Top reflections from PQMD's sixth annual
Global Health Policy Forum

PQMD was honored to host a diverse and dynamic roster of esteemed leaders and policy makers. Through their shared expertise, insight, experience and wit, we picked up on some key themes which echoed throughout the formal agenda and casual conversations.

Listen More Believe in the Secret Sauce
Seek Optimism Look Local Be Curious about Data
Apply Lessons Learned GSD! Build Back Trust
Be Experts Collaboration is Essential
Be Respectful Partnership is Paramount

Partnership and Collaboration in the Era of Poly-Crises: Ensuring access to healthcare only happens in concert.

No one partner can respond adequately, no matter how capable. PQMD organizations remain committed and are embracing transformational elements of traditional partnerships. Natural disasters, conflicts and violence are all on the rise. The world is experiencing a historic number of billion-dollar disasters, where currently 110 million people are displaced and 40% are children. Prolonged humanitarian responses are required regularly; and responders stay on after immediate crises while health systems strengthening work increasingly includes disaster preparedness. Responders are forced to execute on multiple fronts with thinned resources and blurred programmatic boundaries. As conflicts become more frequent and drawn out, health, economic and environmental impacts are compounded. Collaborative, on-going partnerships across sectors and stakeholders amplify impact and foster resilience. The trend is that we are learning from each other, listening to local communities and playing to our strengths. Collaboration is deepening and diversifying our experiences. We have good examples of deep engagement which showcase that we are most effective when we step up together with prepositioned partnerships. Partnerships are enjoying more co-creation at the community and state levels; and leaders welcome more opportunities to coordinate with national governments to avoid duplicity.

Pioneering Around at the Nexus of Climate Change and Health: Climate change and complex environments further exacerbate health impacts.

Extreme weather events are more frequent and cause more loss of life. Environmental degradation causes food insecurity and introduces new pathogen patterns, as well as causing forced migration. Populations impacted are often the least responsible and fragile states are not on the agenda. Amidst the urgency, our panels in NYC had some positive news that data is increasingly available on climate affected disease and predictive technologies can assist on the health, climate and economic fronts. The World Health Organization, National Institutes of Health, along with philanthropy organizations and corporates are all stepping up research on mitigation and adaptive strategies; but efficient, consistent and equitable use of emerging tools is extremely limited. Educating, sensitizing, and activating the general public is crucial but only just beginning. Contemporary climate action often equates to mitigation for corporates and adaptation for NGOs. Both are necessary, and embracing a holistic view of these perspectives will be catalytic. Experts urged individuals and organizations to seek perspective, be curious about data, and join the collective thinking on generating the right knowledge (on time) to humanize the climate crisis.

Transformative Finance and Fiscal Space Amidst Funding Constraints: Innovative financing mechanisms are essential to mobilize resources effectively and sustainably.

Development aid is constricting, and needs are increasing. While there is over \$200 billion in official development assistance worldwide, only around 15% of that is tagged for health.* Can donors afford not to step up? Our panelists spoke about innovation that goes beyond the healthcare sector to attract systematic resources for health; to maximize efficiencies and attract additional funds. The private sector is increasingly called on to work seamlessly with the humanitarian sector. And although new mechanisms are being trialed, experts agree that more concessional funding, challenge funds, pooled funding, de-risked investments, and regional coalition platforms offer promise to increase access to resources. Traditional public-private grantmaking remains a mainstay. Other highlights of the discussion included a robust dialogue about long-term growth in the financial supply chain requiring the engagement of financial expertise in developing impact solutions. Additionally, the cost to make investments and receive a return is a continuum worthy of collective focus, as is reflecting on any barriers presented by cumbersome assurance and accountability requirements. At a country level, governments must shift the status quo to make space for investments in health, possibly through incentives. It takes time to build financial capacity, regardless of willingness. Philanthropy is needed, but it does not scale easily yet. Philanthropy can provide risk capital to leverage other investments and create new money. These shifts are top of mind for leaders and workers alike.

[*OECD ODA 2022 Dataset](#)

Bridging the Trust Gap While Political Uncertainty and Nationalism are on the Rise: There is an enormous trust gap that has made people ineffective.

National politics and post-COVID distrust have reshaped global and local leadership, that has gross implications for global health security, as have shifting alliances due to conflicts. There is a crucial need for focused trust building and systematic sourcing of accurate, timely and reliable health information. This is true not only for general populations but also for local government leaders as they strike out to interact on an international stage. Siloed systems of recent years aren't set up for this – local politicians, governments, international agencies, the NGO and corporate sectors, and scientists all speak their own languages. Policy decision-makers need to access data and analyze risk through a health lens in real-time. Expert speakers highlighted examples where good communication and preparedness exercises fostered trust and confidence. They also recommended avoiding assumptions that haven't served well in the past. Promoting transparency, accountability, and internal expertise are critical – trust begets impact, and global health security is the backbone of our capacity to respond.

Action on the Backdrop of a Faltering Global Health Architecture: Traditional leadership and decision-making structures have become inefficient.

The United Nations, World Bank and World Health Organization systems were built during different times and their influence in the landscape of contemporary challenges has changed, leaving stakeholders with questions about an international authority or a clear path forward. Guidance from these inter-agency giants continues to produce standards worthy of respect and some noted the Sustainable Development Goals remain good targets Yet traditional structures are sluggish. Furthermore, there are real barriers to private sector engagement with the current systems. Decision-makers need to act and need tools to do so. Our speakers shared a sense of limited power or a “choiceless choice” at the local level because the systems are failing the needs, and rarely connect progress to national health plans or priorities. Health leaders need access to multi-dimensional high-quality leadership training. While we shouldn't throw away an imperfect multilateral system, we should push for integration – health leaders need to be prepared to advocate and inform policy makers while government leaders need to acquire locally relevant knowledge of health frameworks. We are in a time of transition and the global health community needs to rethink the roles of those relying on the global health architecture and its service to the current global health challenges.

Restructuring Action and Alignment: While the need for different solutions and resources is clear, how we work together for consistent impact is also improving.

Mutual deference and curiosity breeds competence. The private sector and new alliances are powering-up solutions, bringing more precise capabilities and capacities. International NGO roles are shifting in that proven traditional expertise and deep-seeded relationships strengthen the value proposition of likely solutions. Increasingly, leaders are seeing solutions proposed from countries with local technical assistance. Everything is local and the choices we make as individuals, organizations, and humanitarians matter. Equity is a value that has different constructs depending on your vantage point. The humanitarian sector is expanding and effective communication across stakeholder groups is key, from the boardroom to the front line. More stakeholders, expectations, perspectives and networks are flooding the action arena, creating chaos while there is no real consensus about how future healthcare systems will look or function. But within this restructuring, we are experiencing a revolution of possibilities! And despite the absence of shared metrics of success, decision makers are navigating collaboration driven by shared values. We should look to each other to create some common guardrails around teeing up new technological tools for widespread use.





Embracing Accountability that Goes Beyond Impact: Navigating complex environments requires ethical decision-making grounded in principles of fairness, transparency, and accountability.

Leaders must engage in difficult dialogue that upholds moral standards and prioritizes the well-being of all stakeholders. There must be alignment across accountability systems – the measures chosen to value must ring true across our partnerships and we must hold each other accountable for the solutions they are collectively proposing. The resolutions require building capacity, contextualizing resilience and creating depth of responsibility. Supply chain obstacles and healthcare worker coverage issues are continually challenging and require both systematic upgrades and customized solutions. A good starting place is always, “Whose problem are we trying to solve and are we framing the right questions in a way that will drive equity?” As such, strategic solutions can ensure that the giving hand doesn’t have to be the leading hand.

With increasing corporate ESG regulations on the horizon, corporates have little choice as to whether they deepen their measures of impact. The result is that measuring impact will have even more nuances to consider. Although daunting, it’s actually a standout time in history where corporates can work with their partners and develop agile frameworks that will genuinely measure what matters most. Leadership will be essential to preventing the politicization of important issues that can jeopardize the health of vulnerable populations. Public perception of the issues fuels the rate of progress, We have a collective responsibility to normalize general access to relevant and reliable information, despite its complexity.

Harnessing Technology’s Power for Good: Fostering complementary technical skills and applying digital solutions spurs effective decision-making, empowers local health professionals, and promotes sustainable solutions.

Recognizing that data is power, access to information and technical skills, particularly at a local level, is paramount to success. Operationalizing data improves health systems and can serve to make neglected patients visible. INGOs have a unique opportunity to support locally led initiatives and allocate resources differently - shaping the future of partnerships. At the same time, leaders everywhere will be challenged to effectively leverage AI, machine learning, and predictive computer models to drive warning systems and more effective decision-making.

While AI has immense potential, translating this powerful tool into action isn’t clear-cut – and computer learning brings significant ethical, equity, and operational challenges. Currently, the digital revolution has not yet transformed the humanitarian sector. Often supply chain and epidemiologic challenges are the limiting factors and not every solution must be high tech. Sometimes, having the first generation is more impactful than the latest. We have a critical responsibility to integrate platforms and harmonize data for decision-makers. The possibilities are currently incredible, and we look to each other to learn more about what works.

PQMD is Built for These Times: Our members remain committed to collaboration as a conduit to change-making in turbulent times.

The interconnectivity of the health care system is only going to increase. The extraordinary discussions that took place in NYC at the 6th annual Global Health Policy Forum underscored PQMD’s role in driving knowledge exchange through high standards and partnership. It is part of the organizational DNA. In 1996, a small group of dedicated individuals backed by their organizations came together to address the need for a collective solution to an urgent, multisector, complex issue of greater access to medicines in times of disaster and crisis. Amidst all the uncertainty around donating medical products for good, with no simple or singular path forward - and shaped by some serious pressure – PQMD was born. We undertook our work with a seriousness of purpose and a drive to understand that continues to sustain PQMD’s portfolio today. Lasting change is rooted in coming together continually over time despite the shifting landscape of challenges, and the PQMD community recognizes that meaningful exchange is rooted in humanity, humility and equity.



PARTNERSHIP EXCHANGE BREAKOUTS

Breakout Theme	Moderator
Access to Medicine	Jean Claude Kazadi, World Vision US
Corporate Accountability & Sustainability	Byron Austin, Organon
Disaster	Emily Adams, USA for UNHCR
Global Partnerships	Adele Paterson, IHP
Health Worker Training	Silvia Cruz Vargas, Johnson & Johnson
Local Partnerships	Desta Lakew, Amref Health Africa
Mobile Populations	Sara Brandsema, International Rescue Committee
SOTA Care	Claudio Tanca, The G4 Alliance

Group reflections on partnership dynamics considering the areas of transformation, sustainability, equity, and measuring success

Access to Medicine

1. Consider the HS the medicine is delivered to (need, HSS, supplies, training, transport)
2. Trusted partnerships: country-driven, locally led
3. Use data & evidence from country to validate needs together
4. Ensure **QUALITY** of meds, supply chain, QC, country ownership
5. Measurement to show improved **access** (NOT just improved delivery)

Corp Accountability & Sustainability

1. Trust
2. Appetite for risk & agility
3. Impact management **AND** storytelling

Disaster Response & Prep

1. Steward champions to build trust
2. Bring "half baked" concepts to co-create
3. Share ownership of project & outcomes

Global Partnerships

1. Honesty, transparency + trust
 - o people build partnerships
 - o super people build super partnerships
2. Resource flexibility
 - o increases opportunities
 - o what can you bring to the table?
3. Build from the ground up
 - o locally led
 - o conversation > idea > practice

Education & Health Worker Training

1. Freedom within the framework
 - o training + innovation + advocacy
 - o good mix of portfolio is needed
2. Have a community-centered approach
 - o community members have the know-how
 - o front-line health workers are members of the community
3. Do not forget the "basic" tactics
 - o radio + traditional practitioner DO WORK
 - o maximize impact by partnering with government agencies

Local Partnerships

1. Equity
 - o flow of finance
 - o power dynamics
 - o reach / impact
 - o target population
 - o scalability
2. Sustainability
 - o locally led design
 - o local ownership
 - o need for capacity building
 - o empower communities for transition / handover
 - o sustainable financing
 - o gov't engagement in decision making
 - o local stakeholder engagement from beginning
3. Transformation
 - o investments to change systems: info. mgmt. systems, impact analysis tools...
 - o investments to help simplify
 - o technology
 - o turns problems to opportunities
 - o shifting power dynamics: authentic, local...

Mobile Populations

1. Context-appropriate innovative solutions
2. Service continuity + networks
3. Partnership ecosystem via radical collaboration
 - o zero sum
 - o zero competition
 - o leveraging strengths
4. Streamlining for efficiency & impact
 - o transparency among orgs. to better monitor & coordinate supplies & logistics

SOTA CARE

(Surgical, Obstetric, Trauma & Anesthesia)

1. Replicable & scalable
2. Impact focused
3. Address multiple barriers
4. Benchmarking + best practices + sharing

Disaster & Humanitarian Assistance

More/Differently

1. Partnership focus
2. Integration of climate priorities, messaging across sectors

Policy Asks

1. Expand definition of refugees - allow for climate refugees to mobilize additional resources
2. Expansion of flexible resources to respond to man-made / complex disaster / crises
3. Revise risk-averse nature of giving - more appropriate levels of accountability / risk
4. Increase DAF giving requirements
5. How to encourage longer-term investments? Move from annual to multi-year funding

Health Systems Strengthening

More/Differently

1. Integration with other sectors (eg. agriculture, environment, finance)
2. Common voice for advocacy (in light of increasing need)

Policy Asks

1. Prioritization of **research** funding
 - o new innovations and indigenous knowledge
 - o economic impact of health & climate outcomes
 2. Funds for sustained + multi-sector engagement to build awareness + resilience in vulnerable communities
- *Plus, tons of strategies to improve the climate resistance of communities we serve

Knowledge & Innovation

More/Differently

1. Educate corporates on the NGO work that is already taking place and how this is described to donors
2. Corporates - carbon emissions
3. NGOs - adaptation and mitigation.
4. Resolve focus/alignment difference/definition

Policy Asks

1. More research assessing impact of climate on human health and shared impact metrics
2. Funding for climate initiatives is highly restrictive - not holistic
3. SDGs have climate as a standalone goal, not cross-cutting

TAKING ACTION IN GLOBAL HEALTH: HOW ORGANIZATIONS CAN MOVE FROM AWARENESS TO ENGAGEMENT (BREAKOUTS)

Topic	Facilitator
Disaster & Humanitarian Assistance	Hannah Dean, IHP Rebecca Milner, IMC
Health Systems Strengthening	Uche Ralph-Opata, Project HOPE Kelly Willis, Malaria No More Bryan Murphy-Eustis, The Max Foundation
Knowledge, Innovation & Research	Julie Jensen, Pfizer
Standards, Guidelines & Coordination	Darnelle Bernier, CMMB Paul Knox Clarke, Adapt Initiative

What could we be doing more of or differently and what policies could we influence to address climate change in your topical area?

Disaster & Humanitarian Assistance

More/Differently

1. Sharing resources & more collaboration
 - o addressing the needs
 - o preventing saturation of local market + less waste
2. Resilience & preparedness at the local level
 - o procurement at local level - increase business + economy / reduce footprint
 - o more specialized product donations where local procurement is limited
 - o engagement with local govts and NGOs

Policy Asks

1. Loosening of import regulations
 - o exp. dates
 - o documentation
2. Better communication between agencies, NGOs, other stakeholders
 - o NGOs to have a seat at the WHO table
 - o preventing duplication
 - o ensuring relevant + expert orgs are responding

Health Systems Strengthening

More/Differently

1. Drive greater local engagement & leadership
2. Focus more on anticipatory action & integration

Policy Asks

1. Greater risk tolerance around implementing climate related interventions (govt level)
2. How can we drive more consistency with local best practices in climate with space for local adaptation > local ownership > more effective operationalization?
3. Invest in more data systems

Knowledge & Innovation

More/Differently

1. Innovative financing, preparedness and mitigation funding
2. Standardization for climate (toolkits, data, processes)
3. Predictive tech

Policy Asks

1. More risk capital to leverage private capital
2. More collaboration & sharing in global health community
3. M & E simplifying, shared language, impact

Standards, Guidelines & Coordination

More/Differently

1. Expanded and increased collaboration and data sharing
2. Better communicators
3. Evaluation of orgs' programs to drive towards excellence (Are we doing well? What could we do better?)

Policy Asks

1. Incentives with funding allocations or tax breaks
2. Non-state actors' inclusion in decision making

Standards, Guidelines & Coordination

More/Differently

1. NGOs to consider more sustainable approach (air, sea) relative to situation
2. Partnership agreement clauses we can all use

Policy Asks

1. Collective statement on sustainability we all adhere to
2. shared views with sphere, etc. to inform our learning, etc.
3. sustainable registered health systems - collective initiative
4. PQMD Project Coordinator for disaster relief





What a great first day for PQMD's Global Health Policy Forum in New York City! We started the morning with an #ESG Workshop, a new member lunch and then finished the day with our Executive Forum!

We began our Executive Forum with opening remarks from Pfizer's Chief Sustainability Officer, Caroline Roan and PQMD's Executive Director, Elizabeth Ashbourne. Mark CHATAWAY and Ambassador Jimmy Kolker participated in the Keynote Interview: The Turbulence of Our Times.

Finally, we ended the day with a fantastic panel: Balancing Global Health Priorities while Navigating Transformative Change. Mark Chataway led a discussion with incredible speakers, including Ky Luu, International Medical Corps, Mary Beth Powers, cmmB, Danielle Halstrom, GE HealthCare Foundation, Patricia Vaughan, Population Council and Allison Cohen Neale, Henry Schein Cares Foundation.

Looking forward to hearing from our many other engaging and esteemed speakers tomorrow!

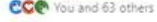
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The 2nd Day of PQMD's Global Health Policy Forum was a success! We began the day with our keynote speaker Ayman El-Mohandes, MBBCh, MD,MPH,FAAP, Dean of the CUNY School of Public Health, who discussed how public health systems i...see more



Wow, what an amazing Day 3 of PQMD's Global Health Policy Forum! We began with an excellent speaker, Desta Lakew who presented on the importance of equity and trust in partnerships as they relate to health system strengthening. ...see more



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The BUZZ from #PQMDforumNYC



Project HOPE leaders engaged in meaningful discussions at the PQMD 2024 Forum, exploring avenues for collaborative action across corporate and nonprofit sectors to enhance medical deliveries in humanitarian settings.

Our team left the Forum last week feeling inspired and grateful for the opportunity to connect with sector leaders and partners.



MAP International recently participated in the 6th annual executive forum hosted by the Partnership for Quality Medical Donations - PQMD. During this three-day conference, MAP collaborated with leading global health organizations to explore strategies for achieving measurable health impact by setting quality standards, disseminating knowledge and influencing policy. Together with PQMD, MAP is making strides to promote sustainable access to quality healthcare in underserved communities worldwide.



Our team recently participated in the #PQMDForumNYC, an important event focused on cross-sector collaboration and sharing expertise within the healthcare industry. Engaging with our peers is crucial to identifying and reducing barriers to access, improving patient outcomes, and strengthening healthcare ecosystems globally. This event reflects our commitment to advancing health and wellbeing across communities.



The forum sparked valuable #globalhealth discussions, addressing topics ranging from locally led development to innovative financing, and partnerships and advocacy. We appreciate the impactful conversations and collaborations with exceptional leaders and organizations at the event. At Operation Smile, we remain steadfast in our commitment to #healthequity, contributing to the global movement for safe, timely, and effective surgical care for children and families worldwide.



Today is day three of the PQMD Global Health Policy Forum and it's been a fantastic start with the keynote speaker, Desta Lakew, sharing some powerful thoughts on how partnerships can help achieve global #health equity.

So, let's embark on this journey together, driven by a shared commitment to equity. Let's leverage partnerships as instruments of change, empowering communities and reshaping health landscapes. The path ahead may be challenging, but with trust and equity as our guiding stars, we can build a healthier, more equitable world for all.



The team have already been delving into insightful discussions addressing critical issues such as populations in crisis, climate change's impact on healthcare in humanitarian contexts, and the transformative role of technology in global health.

As longtime members of PQMD, we recognise its pivotal role in fostering impactful partnerships and driving positive change in underserved communities worldwide. IHP's involvement in PQMD strengthens our collaborations with corporate partners and NGOs, enabling us to explore new avenues for impactful interventions.



Last week, Direct Relief staff attended the PQMD Global Health Policy Forum. The event was attended by leading pharmaceutical companies and non-profits working to enhance the speed, quality, and quantity of donated medicines and related supplies. Direct Relief's partnerships allow collaboration to get donations to those who need them most, irrespective of location or income.

If you don't already, [follow us on LinkedIn](#), and take a quick scroll through our feed to see more reflections from our attendees and speakers!