



The Global Action Plan in Turkmenistan: coming together for healthy lives and well-being

Health has been and is staying very high on the agenda of United Nations agencies and international partners in Turkmenistan.

The importance of a well-functioning health-care system and effective public health services, including health security, is increasing as the country responds to the global outbreak of COVID-19 and takes all necessary preventive measures.

With the support of the WHO Regional Office for Europe, a comprehensive analysis has been carried out and a report prepared covering the progress made towards achieving Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 3 and its targets plus health-related targets within other SDGs, such as education and gender. Based on this analysis, three of the accelerators outlined in the Global Action Plan for Health and Well-being (GAP) were considered as priorities:

- primary health care
- health financing
- data systems.

Supporting the development of a sustainable health workforce that would be able to provide quality health services in the future was considered a further important area of investment.

The progress report on health and sustainable development, achieving SDG 3 on health and well-being in Turkmenistan, has been translated into Russian and shared with the Turkmen Government for review. The final product will be published on the WHO website. A Round Table to present the report and its recommendations to the Government and to GAP partners and other development partners in health is planned for the end of 2020, possibly via teleconference. The report will be used to contribute to the United Nations Sustainable Development Coordination Framework and the development of a joint workplan for GAP partners in the implementation of the three accelerators identified.

The progress report and its recommendations will also contribute to the National Country Preparedness and Response Plan and National Response Plan to the Socio-economic Impact of COVID 19.



**GAP and other development partners who have participated in the
SDG3 discussions at the country level to date:**



**United Nations Resident
Coordinator Office**



Global Fund



UNDP



UNFPA



UNICEF



UNODC



WHO