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Acronyms

CCS	Country Cooperation Strategy
CDC	United States Centers for Disease Control
CSSC	Christian Social Services Commission
CSO	Civil Society Organization
DFID	Department for International Development
DPG	Development Partners Group
FYDP	Five Year Development Plan
GBV	Gender-Based Violence
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GPW	Global Programme of Work
GSHS	Global School-Based Student Health Survey
HMIS	Health Management Information System
HRH	Human Resources for Health
HSSP	Health Sector Strategic Plan
IHR	International Health Regulations
MDGs	Millennium Development Goals
MKUKUTA	Kiswahili Acronym for the National Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty
MKUZA	Kiswahili Acronym of the Zanzibar Poverty Reduction Plan
MOHCDGEC	Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender Elderly and Children
NCD	Noncommunicable Diseases
NTDs	Neglected Tropical Diseases
PMTCT	Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission (of HIV)
PPP	Public-Private Partnership
RMNCAH	Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health
SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
STEPS	STEPwise approach to surveillance
SWAp	Sector-Wide Approach
TDHS	Tanzania Demographic and Health Survey
TFDA	Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority
THMIS	Tanzania HIV/AIDS and Malaria Indicator Survey
UN	United Nations
UNDAP	United Nations Development Assistance Plan
UNFPA	United Nations Population Fund
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
WASH	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
WHO	World Health Organization

Preface

The implementation period for this Country Cooperation Strategy (CCS) will coincide with major developments not only in the United Republic of Tanzania but also globally. At the global level are the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) adopted in September 2015 at the United Nations General Assembly, one of which is on health. SDG 3 focuses on ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being for all at all ages. Health is linked to 14 other SDGs. The SDGs are integrated and indivisible.

Universal Health Coverage is both a goal in itself and the means of achieving the overall health goal of ensuring equitable access to everyone the health services they need with financial protection. Universal health coverage needs to be seen as having an integrating role, underpinning the achievement of the other health targets and creating a balance among them.

Another important development is that the general elections in the United Republic of Tanzania in October 2015 ushered in a new head of state with exceptional vigour to improve the well-being of all Tanzanians. Health service provision was a common thread in the goals of all the political parties involved in the elections. With the country recording relatively strong economic growth and transitioning into a lower middle income status indications are that external development assistance is likely to decline. The new government will be expected to raise its contribution for health services. The United Nations Development Assistance Plan II (UNDAP II) has already shifted its programme focus given the dwindling of resources from its main source of funding for UNDAP I.

The SDGs cover all the priorities in the World Health Organization (WHO) 12th General Programme of Work, 2014–2019. In that context, some of the priorities foreseen for the work of WHO in the United Republic of Tanzania are strengthening of the capacity for early warning; risk reduction and management of national and global health risks in keeping with the provisions of the International Health Regulations (IHR) 2005; tackling noncommunicable diseases and the unfinished Millennium Development Goals' agenda; and facilitating better coordination of the work on the social determinants of health.

This CCS will take advantage of all these developments to ensure that WHO contributes to the achievement of the health development objectives of the United Republic of

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