

## **Concept note on session “Roadmap for Universal Health Coverage in India”**

### **Arogya Manthan 2022**

#### **Background:**

Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY) was launched on 23rd September 2018, as a step towards Universal Health Coverage (UHC). The Scheme aims to cover poorest 40% of the population covering over 50 crore Indian population with an insurance cover of 5 lakh per family per year to protect them from catastrophic health expenditure incurred in secondary and tertiary care. Further, the second pillar of Ayushman Bharat (AB-HWC) aimed to transform 1.5 lakh sub-centres and primary health centres into Health and Wellness Centres to provide affordable and quality primary care to the last mile.

The National Health Authority (NHA) along with the help of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) will be celebrating the 4th anniversary of AB PM-JAY and 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary of Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) as '**Arogya Manthan 2022**'. The two-day event is scheduled for 25th-26th September 2022. It is expected to bring together global and national experts from healthcare sector along with Government officials and State Health Agency officials to deliberate and collaborate for drawing the future roadmap of both the flagship schemes. The event will comprise of formal and technical sessions, and panel discussions, as well as an expo on digital health wherein leading innovators from across the country will showcase their digital health solutions.

#### **About the session “Roadmap for Universal Health Coverage in India”:**

For this event we would like to invite national and international speakers for panel discussion session on "**Roadmap for Universal Health Coverage in India**" which is to be held on day 1 (25th September, 2022).

India is committed to achieving Universal Health care for all by 2030, which is fundamental to achieving the other Sustainable Development Goals. UHC entails ensuring all people have access to quality health services – including prevention, promotion, treatment, rehabilitation, and palliation – without incurring financial hardship. The concept covers three key elements — access, quality, and financial protection.

The objectives of this session in the form of a panel discussion mainly focus upon:

- 1) Understanding the implementation of UHC in other countries
- 2) Getting an insight into the best practices with respect to achieving UHC
- 3) Understanding the key challenges in expanding the cover for the population without any health protection
- 4) Financing models of healthcare delivery
- 5) Role of Government beyond provider of healthcare
- 6) Enhanced participation by private sector
- 7) Creating continuum of care between AB PM-JAY and AB HWC.
- 8) Convergence of Schemes and risk pooling.
- 9) Any other relevant issue to be addressed