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Equity and Quality : a shared agenda for an effective healthcare system (The Jordanian Perspective)

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Health equity

Health equity means that **every one has a fair and just opportunity** to be as healthy as possible (irrespective of socioeconomic status, gender, age, nationality, residency etc..)
But that's far from what exists in most health care systems today even in wealthy countries.

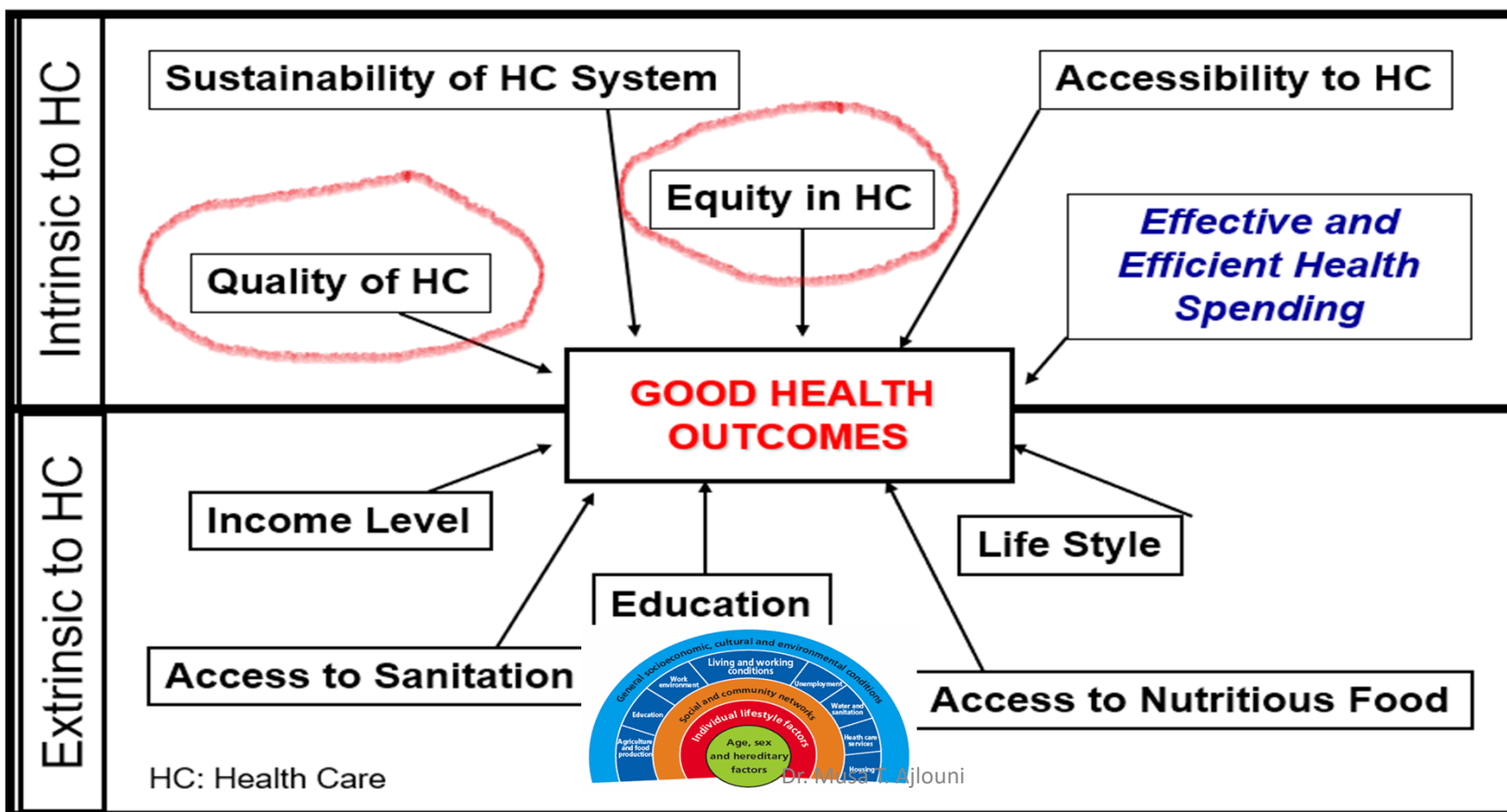
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Health equity emphasizes that most of the differences in health status and outcomes between groups are not the result of biological differences, rather they result from **social and economic processes that create and recreate differences in access to health.**

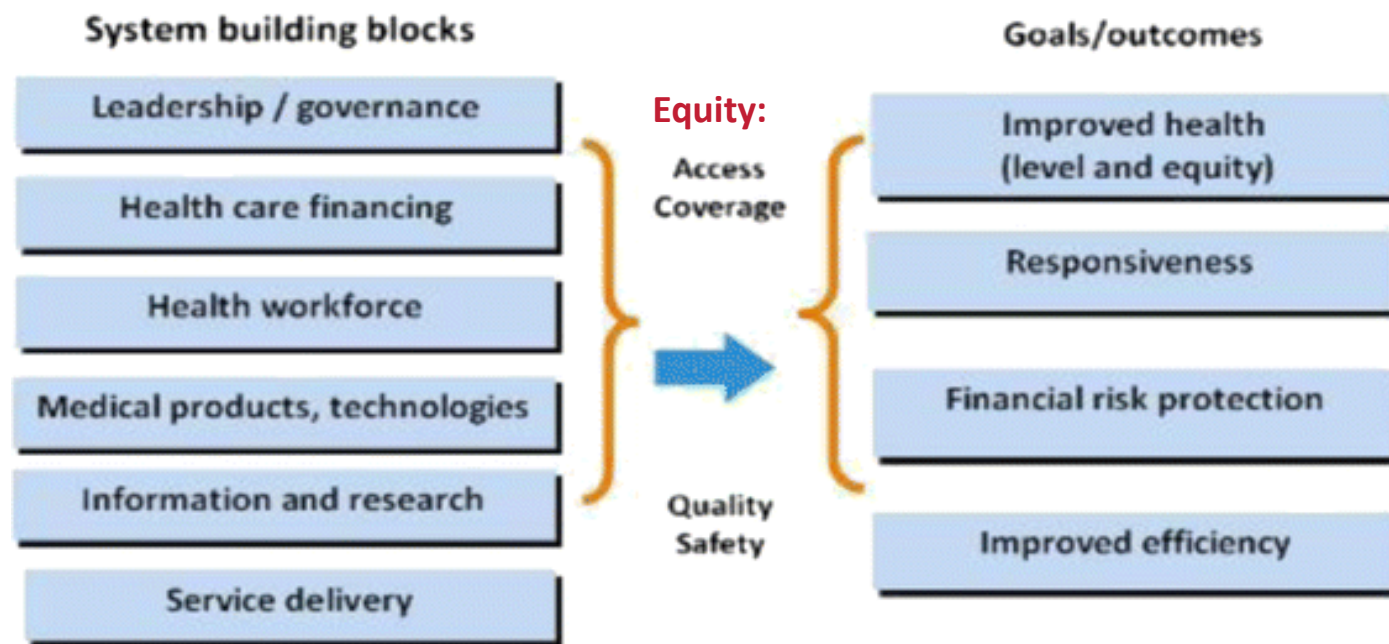
—Equity: Striving for **fairness and justice** by eliminating differences that are unnecessary and avoidable.

https://www3.paho.org/hq/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=5586:health-equity-egc&Itemid=0&lang=en#gsc.tab=0

Equity and Quality : Two main Components to a Population's Health Outcomes



Health System Building Blocks : Equity and Quality

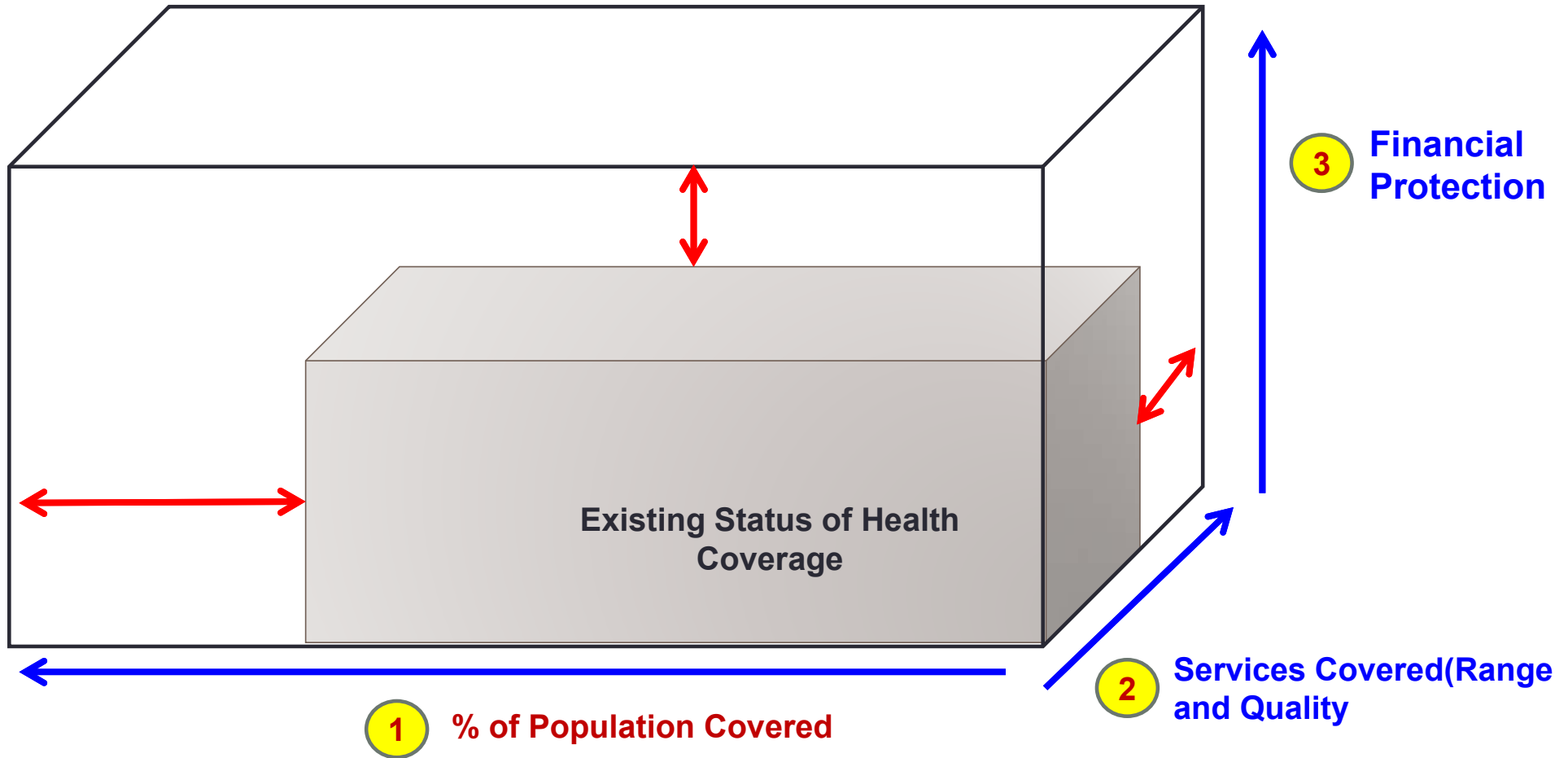


UHC with Equity and quality as main drivers

Universal health coverage (UHC) means that **all people have access** to the full range of **quality** health services they need, when and where they need them, without financial hardship (**All for All Health services!**).

[https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/universal-health-coverage-\(uhc\)](https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/universal-health-coverage-(uhc))





The Three Dimensions of UHC: All have **Equity** issues



Health Equity in Jordan: Where do we stand?

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Ranks of Jordan on Commitment to Reducing Inequality & its' 3 Pillars

	2020	2022
Overall	66 out of 158	54 out of 161 
Labor Rights & Wages	64 out of 158	36 out of 161 
Tax Progressivity	70 out of 158	65 out of 161 
Public Services Spending	80 out of 158	99 out of 161 

Source: OXFAM International

Jordan Ranks 83/191 According to WHO Ranking of the World's Health Systems

Overall efficiency :0.698



1 France	16 Luxembourg
2 Italy	17 Netherlands
3 San Marino	18 UK
4 Andorra	19 Ireland
5 Malta	20 Switzerland
6 Singapore	-
7 Spain	-
8 Oman	83 Jordan
9 Austria	-
10 Japan	-
11 Norway	-
12 Portugal	-
13 Monaco	-
14 Greece	-
15 Iceland	191 Sierra Leone

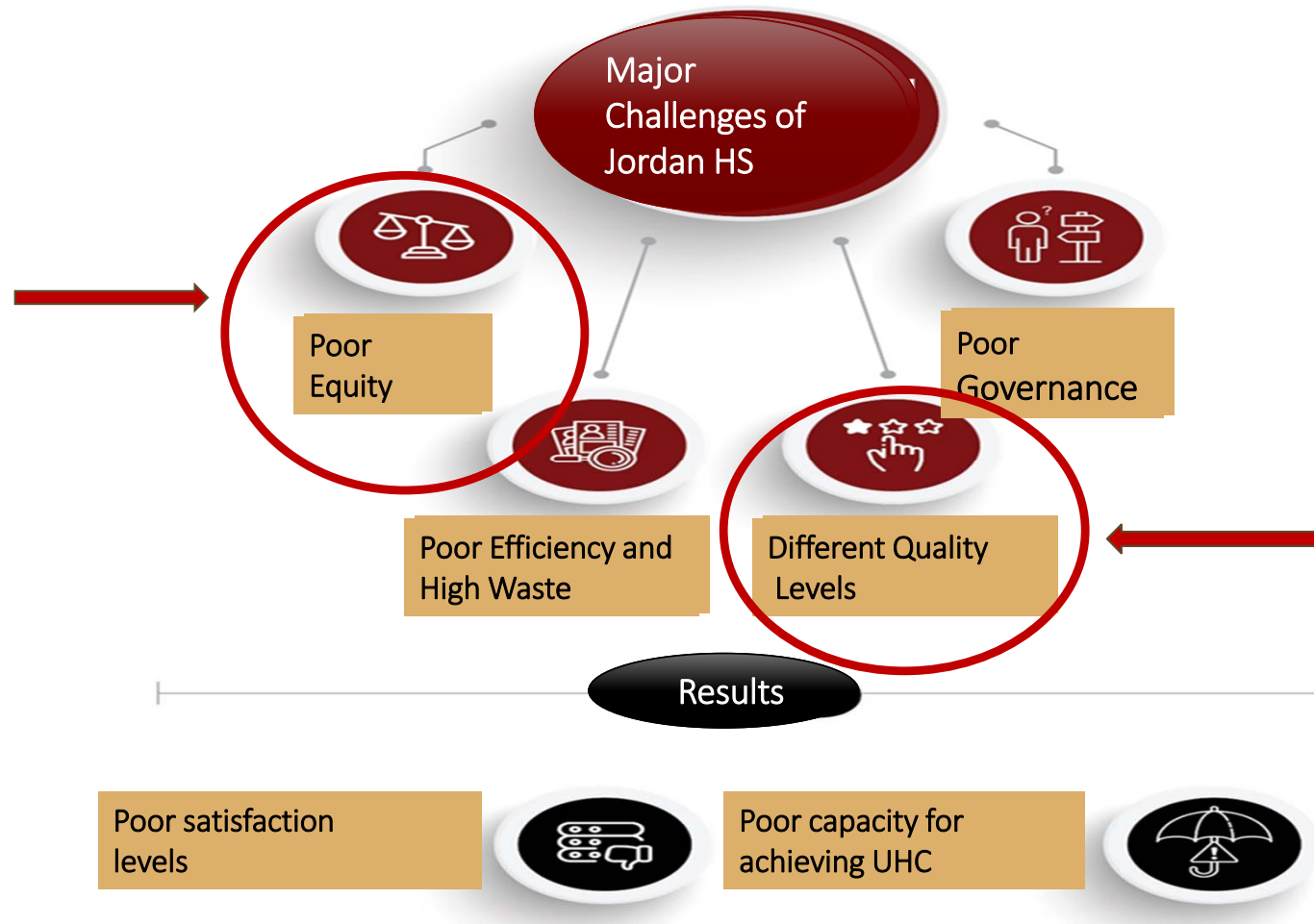
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Major Challenges of the Health Sector in Jordan

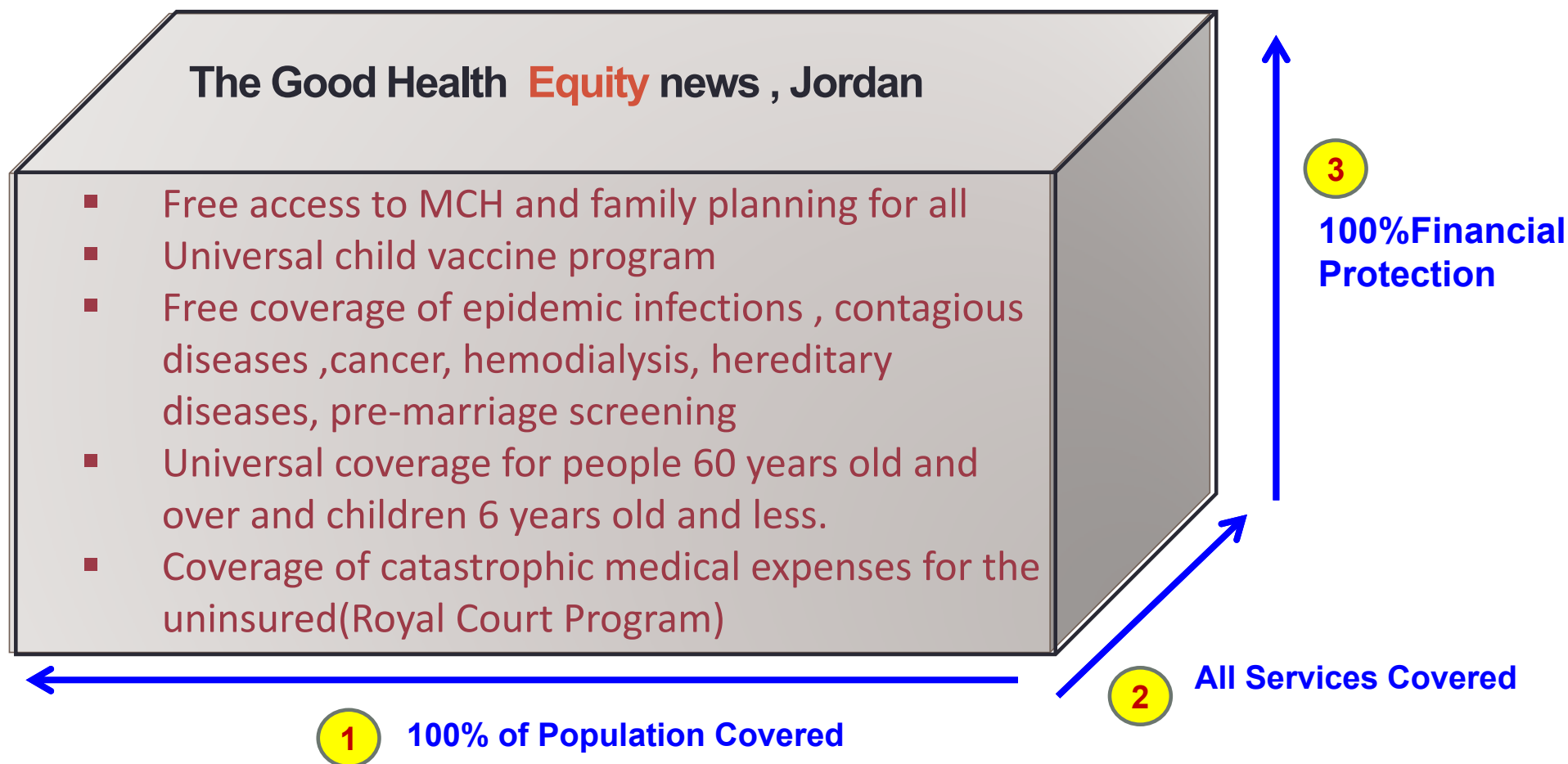


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Source: the National Committee Report for Reorganizing the Health Sector in Jordan, 2021

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The Good Health **Equity** news , Jordan (cont..)

The **MOH** acts as **SAFETY NET** for all residents : it provides **subsidized** PHC , Secondary and tertiary services for the **uninsured** (they pay only about 20% of the actual cost).



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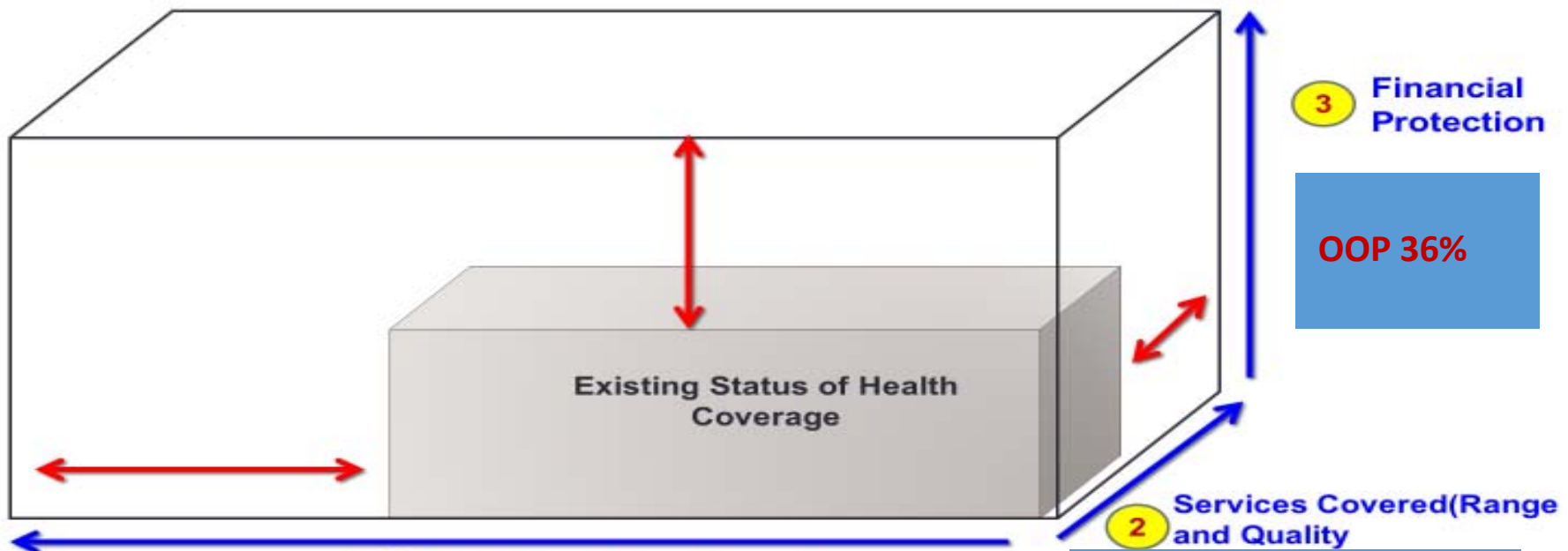
(Examples of health inequities and disparities)

1. Disparities in Health Insurance Coverage (Access Level)

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32% of the Jordanian population is not covered by health insurance

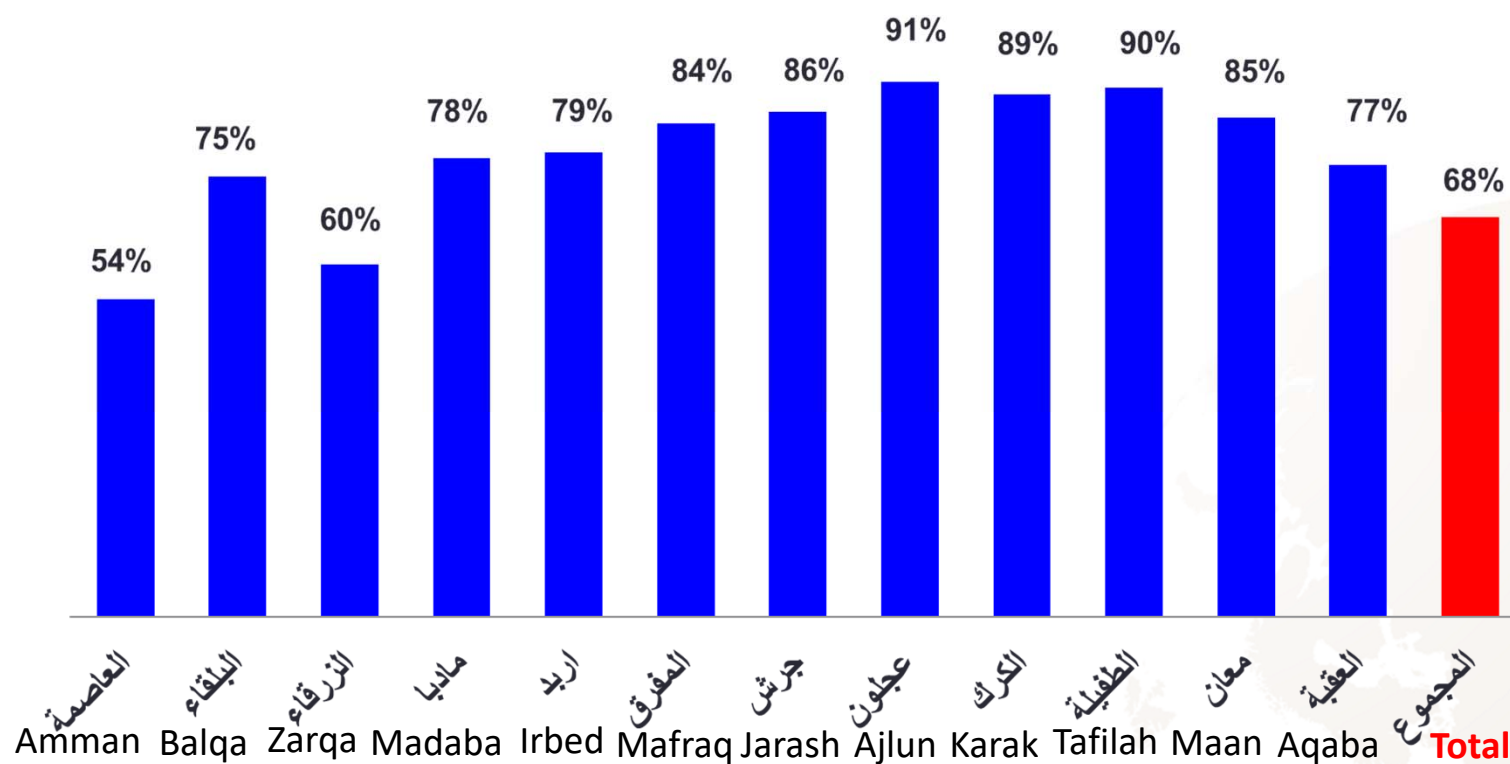
1 % of Population Covered

2 Services Covered (Range and Quality)
Disparities in premiums and services covered across different insurance scheme

3 Financial Protection

OOP 36%

- Disparities of health insurance among Governates



Jordan, JPFHS, 2018
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■ The Uninsured :

- Have higher rates of preventable and/or untreated illness
- Are less likely to receive care that they feel they need
- Have shorter hospital stays for the same conditions
- Are hospitalized sicker and have poorer health outcomes (including death)...

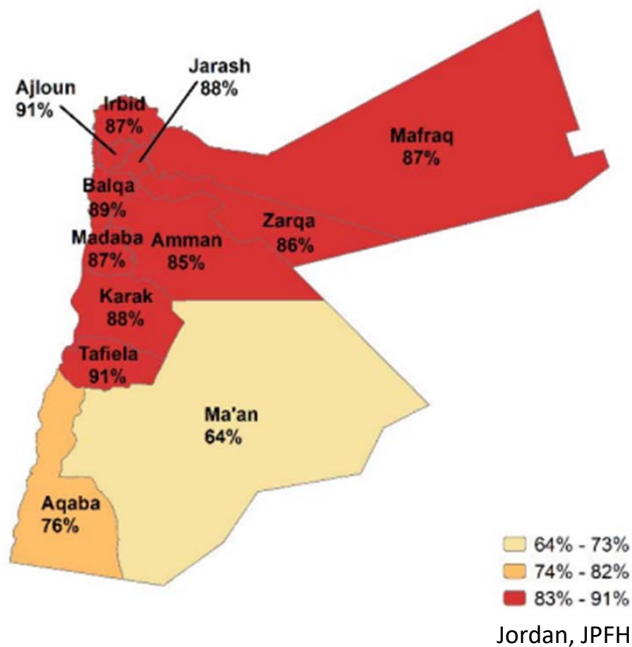
■ Who Are the Uninsured?

- Poor and near-poor.
- Workers and family members.
- More Males than Females
- Less educated more than highly educated
- Unskilled laborers, service workers.
- Most of them live in Central Urban communities

2. Disparities in Vaccination Coverage : governorates and nationality

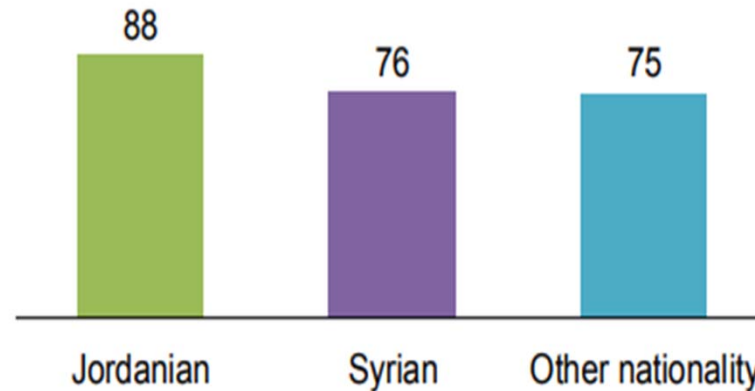
Vaccination coverage by governorate

Percentage of children age 12-23 months who received all basic vaccines



Vaccination coverage by nationality

Percentage of children age 12-23 months who received all basic vaccines at any time before the survey

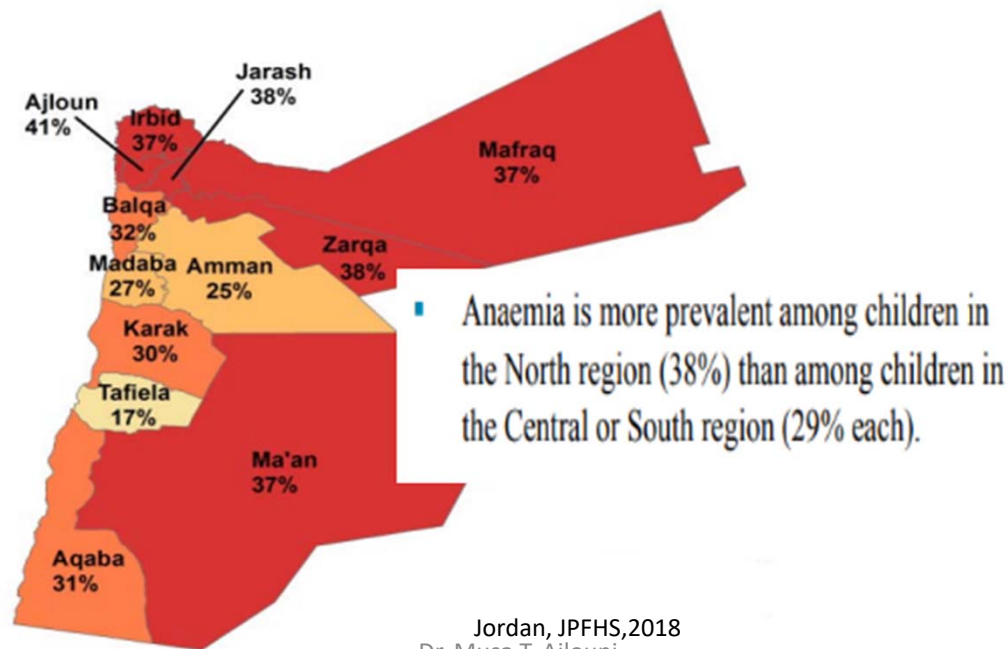


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3. Disparities in Anemia among children according to governorates

Anaemia in children by governorate

Percentage of children age 6-59 months with any anaemia



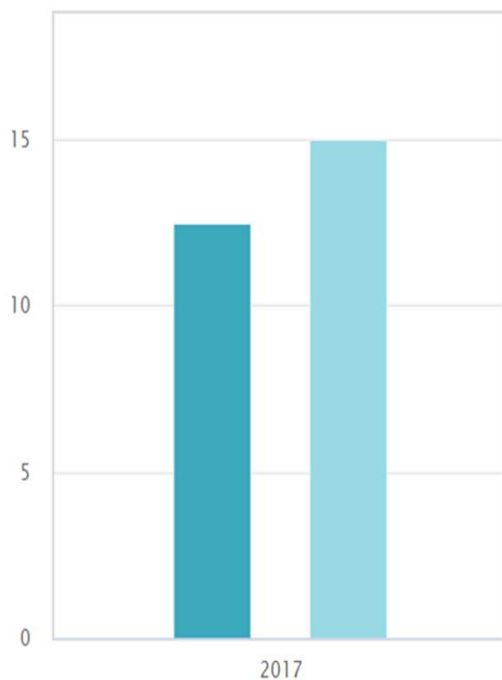
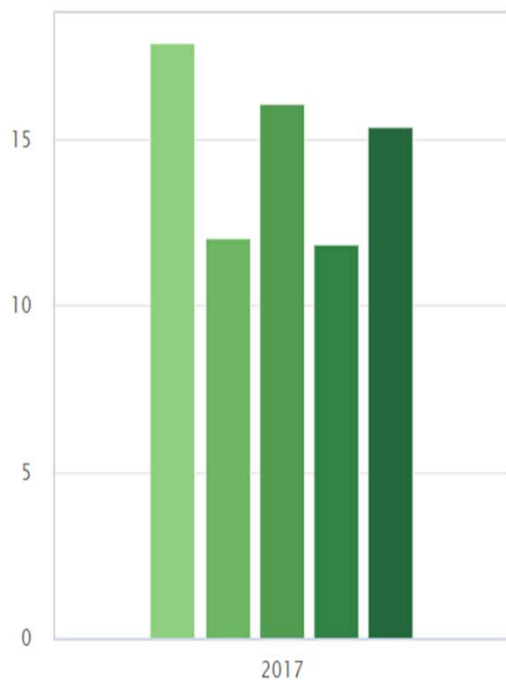
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4. Disparities in Child mortality rates according to economic status and place of residency and mother's education

Jordan

Economic status (wealth quintile)

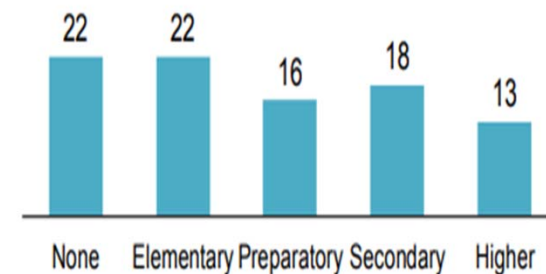
Place of residence



Infant mortality rate (deaths per 1000 live births)

Under-5 mortality by mother's education

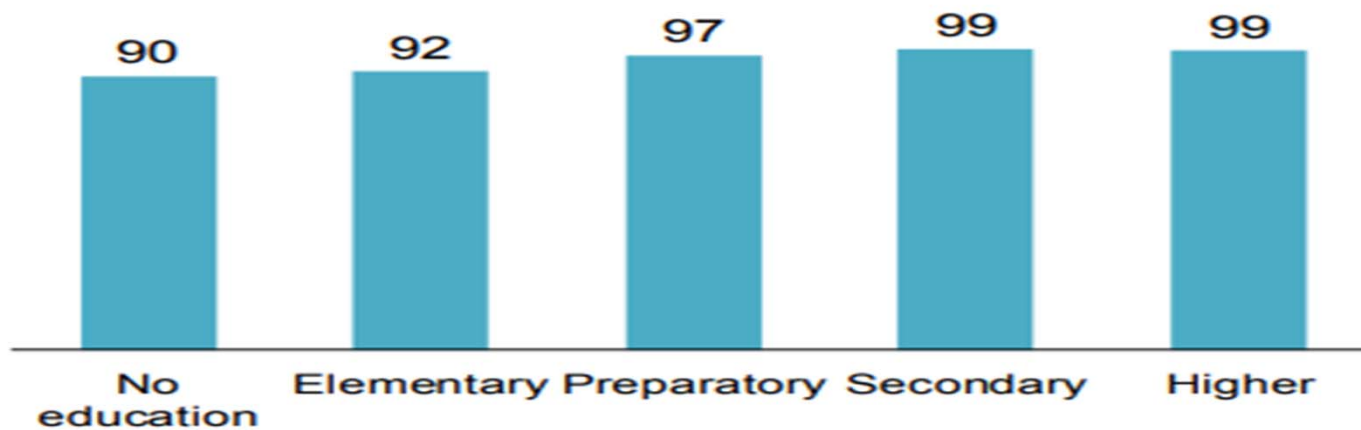
Deaths per 1,000 live births



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5. Disparities in health facility births according to mother's education

**% Health facility births
by mother's educational level**



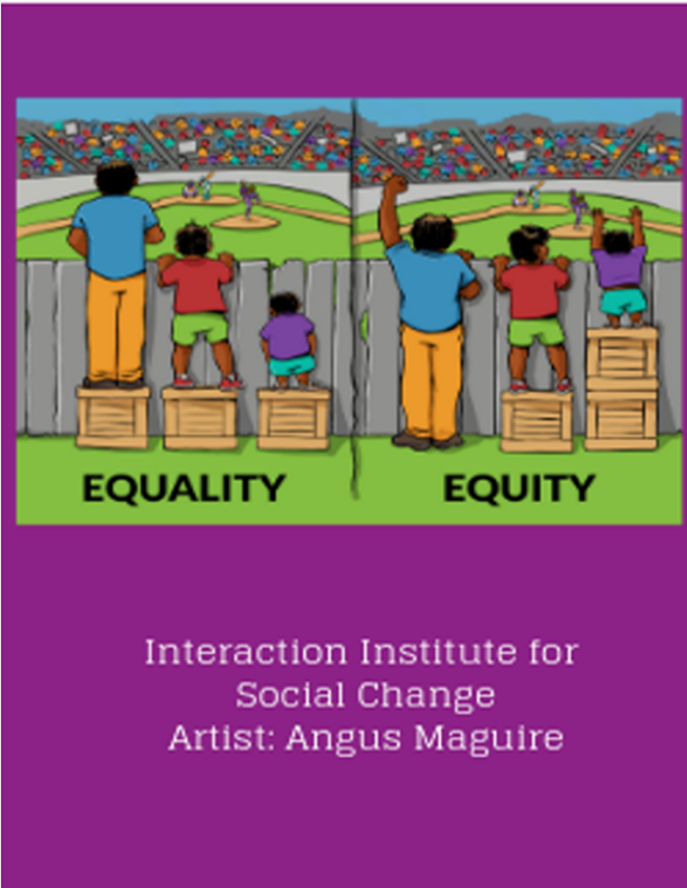
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How to move forward?



The route to achieving equity will not be accomplished through treating everyone equally. It will be achieved by treating everyone justly according to their circumstances.

-Paula Dressel,
Race Matters Institute



How to move forward?

Endorsement and implementation of Jordan UHC roadmap

- Adopt the Family Practice Model of Care in PHCs
- Increase investments in PHC
- Integrate specialized services such as palliative care, mental health, and rehabilitation in PHC
- Adopt effective referral system

Scale up Essential Public Health Functions to Ensure Health Security and equity

(enforce safety laws, national protocols, patient satisfaction surveys, scale up accreditation system, etc..)

- Embed equity into all health system blocks
- Build health equity into HS strategy

- Harness data to understand where to act, monitor success, and scale health equity efforts



Strengthening Health System Equity



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