



## Group Work

### Towards an Action Plan for the PSI Human Right to Health Global Campaign

As a global trade union federation, a campaign such as the PSI Human Right to Health Global Campaign has to be affiliates-driven, with coordination and central activities carried out by the Head Office. It thus has to bring on board the key elements of commonalities internationally, such as privatisation and precarisation of work and integrate these with the peculiar concerns of affiliates in different countries, sub-regions and regions.

Activities internationally, as listed out in the Concept Note, include:

- Launch of the campaign during the Health and Social Care Sector Task Force meeting;
- Develop joint media and communication actions with PSI affiliates and partners in the first quarter of 2017;
- An activity at the global level every quarter, such as participation in health policy global events; launch of publications; public events; international guest lectures/symposiums/seminars; meeting and demonstrations; Ongoing PSI projects in the health sector will be integrated;
- Strategizing/report back on the campaign to PSI constitutional bodies (SUBRAC, RECs);
- Selecting priority themes for regional/sub-regional activities and developing training material for dedicated workshops;
- Posters/leaflets/flyers;
- A newsletter on The Human Right to Health;
- Engaging with the WHO/ILO/OECD on all relevant health policy issues, lobbying and providing evidence;
- Expanding the membership of (sub-) regional health networks and expanding the scope of their work;
- Forging/strengthening alliances with NGOs and CSOs that have similar aims in terms of exchanges of information, experiences & for joint actions.
- Drawing from the early experiences of the campaign for the presentation of a relevant resolution to the 30th World Congress.

These are expected to lead to the following broad outcomes, internationally:

- ⇒ Strengthening PSI health affiliates and the improvement in the employment and working conditions of health workers;
- ⇒ Building commitment to the pursuit of the SDG target 3.8;
- ⇒ Supporting the tax justice campaign to fund public health systems;
- ⇒ Enhanced visibility of PSI in the global discourse on health issues and the formulation/implementation of covenants and policies on health;
- ⇒ Implementation of the ComHEEG report's Action Plan to support public health;
- ⇒ Deepened cooperation with ILO, WHO and OECD on health policy issues.



The expected outcomes at the regional/sub-regional/national levels are:

- ⇒ Mobilising affiliates to campaign for universal public health coverage;
- ⇒ Enhanced visibility of PSI and its affiliates within different regions in the formulation and implementation of policies bearing on health and social services;
- ⇒ Mobilise for legislation and policies that enhance universal access to public healthcare and strengthen national health systems;
- ⇒ Contributing to the quantitative and qualitative expansion of the health workforce, including increases in the employment of young health workers;
- ⇒ Promote the full implementation of Conventions and laws on Occupational Health and Safety for health workers;
- ⇒ Develop proposals for laws, policies and regulations that take up the challenges of women health workers (such as provision of crèches in health facilities);
- ⇒ Push for immediate reduction in the rates of violence in the workplace;
- ⇒ Ensure greater visibility for PSI and its affiliates in national discourse and formulation/implementation of policies, on health;
- ⇒ Increase the membership of affiliates and number of affiliates in the health sector.

*Towards an Action Plan which is affiliates-driven and aimed at the expected outcomes, in your group, deliberate on the following questions and report your views to the plenary session, please:*

- Do you think that PSI should organize follow-up meetings to the conference at regional level? Would you be interested in hosting a meeting? At national, sub-regional or regional level?
- Do you think that we need different messages and images (posters etc) for each region? Do you have regional priorities (for example – commercialisation of health, Europe/US/Canada // access to health, migration, violence, Africa // Precarious work, privatization, trade union rights, Asia Pacific and Latin America)
- Do you think that a PSI *Right to Health* newsletter will be useful, reporting on actions undertaken by affiliates on the campaign? What format should this newsletter have? Would you contribute to it?
- We would like to establish a network of communication staff of health unions; will your union take part in that?
- Are you ready to engage your government on the implementation of the human right to health and what do you need from PSI in that context?
- Shall we create a Facebook page/group or use any other type of social media for communication in our sector?