Thematic Briefing on Health & Population Dynamics

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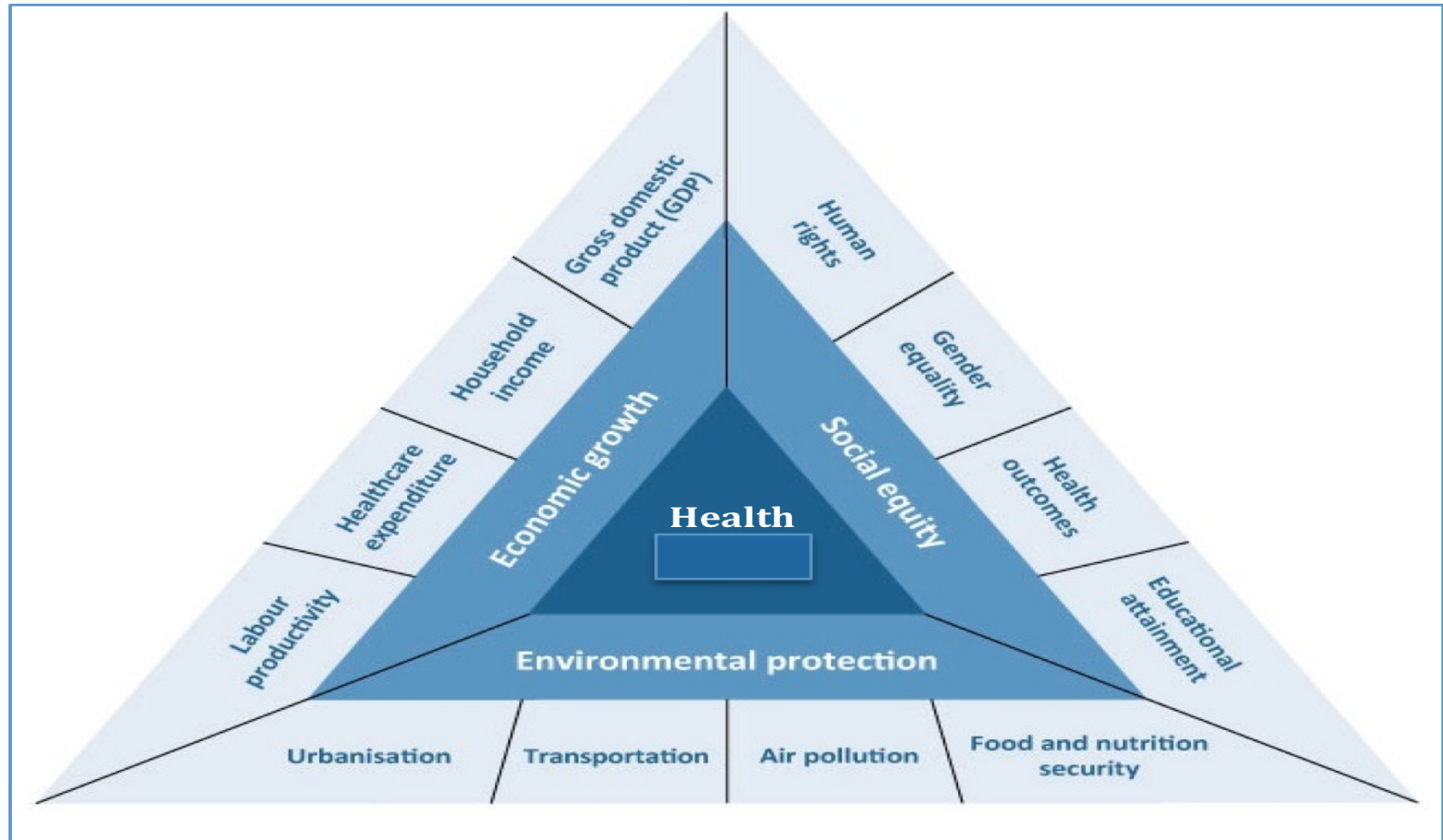
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Accounting for Changes in Population Dynamics

- Population dynamics are not a goal or a target in and of themselves, but a tool to plan.

- Data needs to be collected and policy responses must be grounded in evidence.

- Key trends to take into account
  - Youth Bulge
  - Ageing population
  - Migration
  - Urbanisation

Sustainable Developments Impact on Health

Health in all policies framework

- Future development framework: All sectors affect health, therefore requires a **health-in-all-policies approach**.

- This requires specific health metrics for other *'non-health SDGs'*

- Scaling up health systems enables improved data collection.

- Specifically evaluate the impact of trade, finance and technology transfer on health

Health Metrics for SDGs

Energy

- Rates of adult and child disease burden and injuries (deaths and DALYs) attributable to household air pollution from the incomplete combustion of biomass fuels and coal for cooking and heating.

Food & Agriculture

- Prevalence of obesity & stunting in under 5's
- WHO Household Dietary Diversity Score.

Example Indicators

Cities

- Intentional homicides per 100 000 residents city-wide and in slum neighborhoods.
- Pedestrian and bicyclist deaths as a proportion of total traffic mortality.

Jobs

- Occupational injury rate (non-fatal) disaggregated by gender, occupation, employment type (formal and informal), and economic sector

Universal Health Coverage + Access

A target on UHC must recognise that health systems must be integrated and incorporate all building blocks of a health system

Promotion	Prevention	Treatment

Rehabilitation	Palliation

Universal Health Coverage + Access

- Focus on access to most marginalised groups e.g. those with disabilities.
- Elimination of user fees.
- Example indicators could include:
  - Proportion pushed into extreme poverty due to out of pocket health expenditure. (coverage indicator)
  - Number of physicians/nurses etc.. Per capita disaggregated by geographic location (Measuring Human Resources)
  - Proportion of HIV patients on ARV (treatment availability)
  - Vaccination rates (process indicator)

Speaker Order

1. Silvia Steffanoni – Help Age International

2. Alyie Celik – Local Authorities Major Group (UCLG)

3. Rachel Jacobson – Major Group for Children & Youth (Youth Coalition for Reproductive and Sexual Health Rights)

4. Ariella Rojhani – NGO Major Group (NCD Alliance)

5. Jose Siri – Science & Technology Major Group (ICSU)

6. Josef Verovic – Framework Convention Alliance

7. Matthew Gordon - Sustainable World Initiative

8. Sally Dunne – Loretto Mining Commmunity and the Mining Working Group at the UN

9. Marianne Hasselgrave – International Federation of University Women

10. Nicole Cardinal – Save the Children

11. Arjan van Houwelingen – World Society for Protection of Animals