



# Summary Report of the Third Roundtable Conference on Governance for Health Cape Town, South Africa September 29-30, 2014

Governance is good when decisions are based on information, evidence, and shared values; the process is transparent, inclusive, and responsive to the needs of the people the organization serves; those who make and those who implement decisions are accountable; strategic objectives are effectively, efficiently, ethically, and equitably met; and the services the organization provides are sustained in the long run. Good governance is increasingly seen as an essential part of strengthening health systems<sup>1</sup> and enhancing country ownership.\*

In collaboration with the Health Financing and Governance (HFG) Project, the Health Policy Project (HPP), and the CapacityPlus Project, the Leadership, Management, and Governance (LMG) Project convened the Third Roundtable Conference on Governance for Health to share experiences in governance development in the health sectors of low- and middle-income countries, and to explore trends and strategies for establishing good governance. This two-day conference was held in Cape Town, South Africa, on September 29-30, 2014, in conjunction with the Third Global Symposium on Health Systems Research 2014.

The roundtable conference had six themes:

1. Measuring the impact of governance and generating evidence
2. Transparency, accountability, and trust as good governance
3. Inclusive governance: engaging women and traditionally marginalized populations
4. Political will and governance
5. Case studies in governing decentralized health systems
6. Investing in good governance for health

Sessions lasting 90 minutes to two hours were centered on the above six themes. The seventh session was the concluding session (see the Program schedule in *Annex 1*). Over 40 governance experts, thought leaders, and practitioners participated in the deliberations (see *Annex 2* for the list of participants, *Annex 3* for participant biographies, *Annex 4* for links to the conference video, and *Annex 5* for links to the conference blogs).

This report summarizes observations from the six sessions of the Roundtable Conference, and distills key lessons from each. Recommendations and action plan ideas that emerged at the conclusion of the conference, and progress in their implementation are also included.

Conference proceedings were audio and video recorded. This report is based on the transcript of the proceedings, conference presentations, conference-related blog posts, and other materials referenced above.

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<sup>1</sup> Management Sciences for Health (MSH) understands that governance for health embraces many dimensions and types of health sector organizations; however we focus on this definition of governance for health service delivery organizations in resource constrained countries. Governance is a structured process wherein a group of people (usually referred to as a governing body or board) make decisions about policy, plans and rules of collective action, and use power and resources to define, protect, promote and achieve the health mission of an organization, system, program, country or institution.

*Session 1 (Evidence and Impact)* participants acknowledged that **context matters**. In generating evidence, one should look at methods that integrate a consideration of context. Governance interventions—unless there is a clear, proximal, cause-effect relationship—will benefit from mixed methods assessments, case studies, and newer methods like **contribution analysis** (step-by-step approach designed to help managers, researchers, and policymakers arrive at conclusions about the contribution their program has made to particular outcomes) and **realist review** (a relatively new approach to synthesizing research that seeks to unpack the mechanism of how and why complex interventions thrive or fail in a particular setting, designed for complex interventions) that are being used to examine complex interventions. Colleagues felt that understanding what works, why, and in what context provides an essential grounding to advance effective governance interventions at all levels of the health sector.

This first session, which focused on the **challenges and opportunities of generating evidence**, resulted in five key findings:

1. Donors and development partners, civil society organizations, and public officials and governments may have different perspectives on what good governance is and how it improves service performance, but all models could use more evidence of impact.
2. Establishing causal link between interventions and results is a challenge; resources should be invested to explore the association if not causation.
3. Exploring the impact of governance practices will benefit from mixed methods assessments, case studies, and newer methods like contribution analysis and realist review that are being used to examine complex interventions.
4. A realistic theory of change or conceptual framework for the governance intervention is essential to build a monitoring and evaluation plan. LMG Project is working on it in collaboration with the cross-sectoral team in USAID's Center of Excellence on Democracy, Human Rights and Governance.
5. Ex-post evaluations (evaluations conducted after a certain period has passed since the completion of the intervention) provide the most opportunities to move the field forward. These studies focus on two criteria: impact and sustainability. Their results can be fed back to interventions in the planning phase. They are less expensive compared to experiments and quasi-experiments in terms of time and resource cost.

*Session 2 (Transparency, Accountability, and Trust)*: Transparency is foundational to accountability. Without accurate insights into focus of, criteria for, participants in, and the results from the governance decision-making processes, it is very difficult to achieve true accountability.

Key findings from the second session include:

1. **Transparency is foundational** to accountability to remedy asymmetries of information among citizens, service providers, and state actors. Collaboration should be established between Transparency International, donors and implementing partners.
2. **Capacity gaps** (on the part of those who are positioned to demand accountability) and **incentive gaps** (on the part of those who should be held accountable) create barriers for establishing accountability. These should be addressed when strengthening the work of governing bodies. Addressing gaps in the supply and demand for accountability is critical to sustainable governance improvement activities. Without groups of people calling for accountability, there may be few incentives for health facilities and institutions to increase accountability and change

the way they operate. Likewise, without the ability to implement changes through policies, systems or oversight, calls for increased accountability are often not implemented.

3. The link between **accountability and legitimacy** can be understood in two ways—external and internal.
  - Externally, if more accountability results in better health services, the public has greater trust and confidence in the system to deliver, and they may be more willing to access services more regularly.
  - Efforts to strengthen internal accountability often face hurdles as they challenge the existing power structure. The incentives to move forward can be easily derailed. Building the legitimacy of the efforts themselves is critical for their sustainability.

Participants in *Session 3 (Inclusive Governance)* discussed engagement of women and traditionally marginalized populations in governance. Meaningful engagement in health systems governance must include the involvement of beneficiaries and vulnerable populations—from situation assessment and evaluation, to significant consultation with them on operational plans and priorities, as well as involving them in all phases of programming and research, and engaging them in advocacy for continuous system performance improvement.

Key findings from *Session 3* include:

1. Meaningful engagement in health governance must include **the involvement of beneficiaries and vulnerable populations** in situation assessment and evaluation, consultation with them on operational plans and priorities, involving them in all phases of programming and research, and engaging them in advocacy.
2. Bringing vulnerable and marginalized populations into health systems improvement conversations is imperative so their voices are heard, and so they can make meaningful contributions to improving their own situations.
3. Conflict resolution, negotiation, and collective action have very **strong political dimensions**. These are central to inclusive governance and at the same time make it quite complex and dynamic.
4. **Training of key populations to engage with governance structures and strengthening networks** by linking them to policymakers, helping them develop and implement advocacy plans, and mentoring are some of methods available for building the capacity of marginalized populations.

*Session 4 (Political Will)* was moderated by Derick Brinkerhoff, Distinguished Fellow in International Public Management, from the Research Triangle Institute (RTI) and Health Policy Project.

The four key findings from this session include:

1. Country officials are at the forefront of reform efforts. **Political will** is the commitment of health system actors to act on policy objectives and sustain the costs of those actions over time.
2. Strong political will to improve health **translates into health system successes**.
3. Political will has seven components that **can be rated** on a sliding scale to capture degrees of political will, from weak to strong:
  - a. Government initiative for policies and programs
  - b. Choice of policies and programs based on scientific evidence and technically-sound options
  - c. Mobilization of stakeholders
  - d. Public commitment and allocation of resources
  - e. Design and application of credible incentives

- f. Continuity of effort
  - g. Learning and adaptation
4. Applying a more rigorous analytical framework to political will can move health systems much closer to the goal of strengthening health systems for the long run.

*Session 5 (Case Studies)* - the case study presentation and roundtable discussion portion of the conference - began with lead remarks by Diana Cammack, Research Associate, Overseas Development Institute, and Senior Democracy Fellow in the Cross-Sectoral Team in USAID's Center of Excellence on Democracy, Human Rights and Governance. The discussion in this session focused on lessons learned in Malawi, Uganda, Rwanda, and Niger with respect to how health and sanitation services are governed at local level, to what impact, and what could be done to improve them. It then explored two case studies—Devolution in Kenya and Provincial and District Health Governance in Afghanistan.

Key lessons learned from the case studies are:

1. Good governance, participation, transparency, and accountability comprise a normative or value-judgment based agenda driven by donors. Political economy is about finding out how nations and organizations are governed in reality.
2. Policy incoherence emanating from incomplete and poorly rolled out decentralization by central government results into many adverse consequences that constrain governance in improving service performance. These can range from fragmented authority, poor coordination of services in all the sectors, a non-rational use of funds and other resources, legal confusions, inconsistencies and ambiguities in the law, functional fragmentation, complex structures, over-complicated processes, multiple funding streams for local services, overlapping jurisdictions in a sector, conflicting authorities to jurisdiction and coordination failures.
3. Dysfunctional institutional arrangements lead to collective action failures in policy-making and they produce bad regulations and policies. Poor policy-making has an impact on service delivery at the local level. The quality of institutions is key to collective action.
4. The absence of credible sanctions or the discipline to enforce the rules leaves room for informal institutions, i.e., old arrangements and behaviors, to gain hold in the ministry.
5. It can take a long time to make change happen in the way nations, ministries, and organizations are governed.
6. USAID's Center of Excellence on Democracy, Human Rights and Governance has recently issued Political Economy Assessment (PEA) Field Guidance. PEA is a field-research methodology to explore not simply how things happen but why. It is particularly concerned with how power is used to manage resources. PEA asks questions about a set of factors that include politics, rules and norms, social and cultural practices, beliefs and values, and historical and geographical determinants. It can be applied at various levels and in different sectors. Deploying this tool before the governance intervention will help avoid some of the pitfalls mentioned above.

*Session 6 (Donor Support)* focused on donor investment in good governance for health. The main focus of the discussion during this session was on three donors—the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the Department for International Development (DfID), and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). All three donors are investing to strengthen governance in country health systems and health service delivery organizations.

There were three main lessons from this session:

1. Governance is about political ownership, political buy-in, and political accountability.

2. Good governance is essentially the intermediate outcome; we must be able to demonstrate health impact of the governance interventions.
3. Donor coordination is important for the success of both national and subnational governance interventions.

The final, concluding session (*Session 7*) summarized the key findings from each session and generated recommendations to continue the international dialogue on practical ways to strengthen understanding about factors that encourage more effective governance practices for enhanced health system performance. Table 1 summarizes actions the participants suggested for the next 9 days, the next 9 weeks, the next 9 months, and the current status of their implementation.

**Table 1. Recommendations and Next Steps**

#	Actions Proposed by the Roundtable Participants	Responsible	Status as of 06/30/2015
<b>9 days</b>			
1	Encourage Blogging by all collaborators	Roundtable participants	Ten blog pieces written and posted on the LMG website
2	Share presentations and audio transcript	LMG	Presentations shared with all attendees, YouTube links will be shared
3	Share the Govern4Health smart phone app with all participants	LMG	Link sent to all participants
4	Report insights to HSR Cape Town Symposium Wednesday, October 1	LMG and HPP	Done in a special session at the Third Global Symposium on Health Systems Research 2014
<b>9 weeks</b>			
1	Establish "communities of interest" among participants on various aspects of governance identified in the Roundtable, e.g., inclusion, evidence, links to governing finance organizations, links to policy and political-economy assessments etc.	Roundtable participants	To be explored
2	Circulate conceptual framework for governance and Theory of Change related to interventions and indicators that drive capacity development for better governance for health system and health programs	LMG	Conceptual Framework and theory of change regarding LMG's governance interventions have been discussed with the Cross Sectoral Programs Division of USAID's Center of Excellence on Democracy, Human Rights and Governance
3	Share video clips with the collaborators and on the web portal	LMG	To be done
4	Encourage blogging among participants	Roundtable participants	Ten blog pieces written and posted on the LMG website
5	Petition Health Systems Research Global Symposium to establish Thematic Group on Governance	LMG working with Roundtable participants	To be explored
6	Society for International development – Washington Chapter Roundtable in Washington DC scheduled on November 4 is recorded for virtual access	LMG	Seminar was successfully conducted. Audio recording & audio transcript are available.

7	Design joint study with LMG HPP, HFG, others on evidence that smarter governance matters	Implementing Partners	Possibilities are being explored
9 months			
1	Develop standard set of indicators for good governance that can be used in research on G4H effectiveness	Implementing Partners	HFG is currently working on this per guidance from the Office of Health Systems
2	Explore collaboration on Health Sector Governance Index with Mo Ibrahim Foundation	MSH	MSH Governance Technical Lead is in discussion with the Foundation
3	Establish enhanced links with governance groups in DFID, USAID, WHO and World Bank	LMG and MSH	Link with these groups has been established
4	Arrange webinars for follow-up and follow-through	LMG	Two webinars and two seminars have been successfully conducted
5	Contribute to MSH new reference text "Leaders Who Govern" as sequel to "Managers Who Lead"	LMG and MSH	The Leaders Who Govern book is ready and will be released in public domain in August 2015
6	Publish series of case studies on good governance samples and also failures	LMG	LMG published a case study in peer-reviewed journal Conflict and Health and in USAID Top Ten Health Systems Strengthening Cases 2014
7	Explore new G4H Roundtable with additional players Fall 2015	LMG and MSH	Proposed in PY5 work plan of LMG, to be conducted in collaboration with Africa Union at Addis in January 2016

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**Annex 1  
AGENDA**

1. **Conference Venue:** Hotel Park Inn by Radisson Cape Town Foreshore  
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2. **Facilitators for the conference:** Noddy Jinabhai, Ministerial Representative on the Academy for Health Leadership and Management in South Africa, and Jim Rice, Project Director, Leadership, Management, and Governance (LMG) Project
3. The summary of the discussion to be presented to the Global Health Systems Research Symposium via a panel on Wednesday, October 1, 4:30 – 6:00 pm in room 1.63-1.64.

**Sunday, September 28, 2014**

<b>6:00pm – 8:00pm</b>	<p><b>Evening reception for participants and guests from the Third Global Symposium on Health Systems Research</b></p> <p>Hilton Cape Town City Centre 126 Buitengracht Street, Cape Town, 8001, South Africa TEL: +27-21-4813700 FAX: 27-21-4813701</p>
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**Monday, September 29, 2014**

<b>7:30am – 8:00am</b>	<b>Refreshments and registration:</b> Sarah Lindsay
<b>8:00am – 8:30am</b>	<p><b>Welcoming remarks. Review agenda and objectives. Introductions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Opening Statements: Jim Rice, Temiyato Ifafore, Health Workforce Technical Advisor, USAID Global Health Bureau, Office of Population and Reproductive Health, Services Delivery Improvement Division, and Dr. Ayanda Ntsaluba, Former Director General Health, South Africa</li> <li>§ Participant Introductions</li> <li>§ Reporting of the outcomes of the first two roundtables – Jim Rice</li> <li>§ Review of Agenda – Jim Rice</li> </ul>
<b>8:30am – 10:00am</b>	<p><b>Lead Project: HFG</b> <b>Session 1: Measuring the value of health sector governance</b></p> <p>Moderator: Catherine Connor, Deputy Director, Health Finance and Governance (HFG) Project, Abt Associates Inc. Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Marian Eslie Jacobs, Health Research, Health Systems Strengthening and Child Health Expert, South Africa</li> <li>§ Reshma Trasi, Director, Monitoring, Evaluation and Research, LMG Project, Management Sciences for Health</li> <li>§ Suneeta Sharma, Project Director, Health Policy Project, and Futures Group</li> </ul> <p>Roundtable discussion and report out</p>



10:00am – 10:30am	<b>Break: Networking and phone calls</b>
10:30am – 12:30pm	<p><b>Lead Project: LMG</b></p> <p><b>Session 2: Transparency, Accountability, and Trust: Bridges to more equitable access to services</b></p> <p>Moderator: Chantal Uwimana, Regional Director for Africa, Transparency International</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Taylor Williamson, Health Governance Specialist, RTI International and Health Policy Project</li> <li>§ Mahesh Shukla, Senior Technical Advisor, LMG Project, Management Sciences for Health</li> <li>§ Jeremy Kanthor, Governance Advisor, HFG Project, DAI</li> </ul> <p>Roundtable discussion and report out</p>
12:30pm – 1:30pm	<b>Light Lunch and Networking</b>
1:30pm – 3:00pm	<p><b>Lead Project: LMG</b></p> <p><b>Session 3: Inclusion: Engaging vulnerable and marginalized populations in governance for health gains</b></p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Ayanda Ntsaluba, Former Director General Health, South Africa</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Laili Irani, Senior Policy Analyst, Health Policy Project, Population Reference Bureau</li> <li>§ Dheepa Rajan, Technical Officer, Dept. for Health Systems Governance and Financing, World Health Organization, Geneva</li> <li>§ Dirk Mueller, Regional Health Advisor, DFID</li> </ul> <p>Roundtable discussion and report out</p>
3:00pm – 3:30pm	<b>Break and Networking</b>
3:30pm – 5:00pm	<p><b>Lead Project: HPP</b></p> <p><b>Session 4: Politics and health governance: Strategies for ensuring commitment to health systems</b></p> <p>Moderator and Lead Remarks: Derick Brinkerhoff, Distinguished Fellow in International Public Management, RTI International (Research Triangle Institute) and HPP will frame the discussion <i>A model of political will for strengthening health systems</i>.</p> <p>Discussants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Aaron Mulaki, Health Systems/Public Administration Advisor, RTI International, and Health Policy Project, Kenya – Political will and decentralization in Kenya</li> <li>§ Anele Yawa, Treatment Action Campaign Representative</li> <li>§ Christopher Tapscott, Director, School of Government, University of the Western Cape</li> </ul> <p>Roundtable discussion on own experiences with political will challenges and the strategies used to overcome them and report out</p>

5:00pm – 6:00pm	<p><b>Lead Project: LMG</b></p> <p><b>Session 5: Case studies: Governance of health service delivery at local level</b></p> <p>Case study presentation and roundtable discussion</p> <p>The session begins with lead remarks on lessons learned in Malawi, Uganda, Rwanda, and Niger with respect to how health and sanitation services are governed at local level, to what impact, and what could be done to improve - by Diana Cammack, Research Associate, Overseas Development Institute, and Senior Democracy Fellow, USAID/DCHA /DRG Cross-Sectoral Team. It then explores two case examples/case studies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Kenya Situation</li> <li>2. The Afghanistan Situation</li> </ol> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Dr. Ruth Kitetu, Ministry of Health, Kenya – Devolution in Kenya</li> <li>§ Dr. Zeliakha Anwari, Program Manager Health System Strengthening, LMG Afghanistan Project – Afghanistan experience in health governance in the provinces and districts</li> </ul>
6:00pm – 6:30pm	<b>Reception with invited guests</b>

### Tuesday September 30, 2014

7:30am – 8:00am	<b>Refreshments and registration</b>
8:00am – 8:30am	<b>Welcoming remarks. Review day one outcomes</b>
8:30am – 10:00am	<p><b>Session 6: Investing in good governance as an enabler for health systems strengthening</b></p> <p>Moderators: Jim Rice, LMG Project and Temi Ifafore, USAID</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Jodi Charles, Health Systems Advisor, USAID</li> <li>§ Dr. Kenneth Grant, Health Practice Manager, Mott MacDonald/HLSP, and Director HLSP Institute</li> <li>§ Dr. Tomohiko Sugishita, Senior Health Advisor, JICA</li> <li>§ Rockefeller Foundation – tbc</li> </ul> <p>Roundtable discussion and report out</p>
10:00am – 10:30am	<b>Break: Networking and phone calls</b>
10:30am – 11:45am	<p><b>Session 7: Review conclusions and define strategic road map for enhanced governance for health in low- and middle-income countries</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Rapporteur 1: Barry Kistnasamy, Former Dean of the Nelson Mandela School of Medicine in Durban and Executive Director of the National Institute for Occupational Health and the National Cancer Registry in Johannesburg, currently serving as the Compensation Commissioner for Occupational Diseases</li> <li>§ Rapporteur 2: Jan Sobieraj, Director, UK NHS Leadership Academy</li> <li>§ Reactions: Dr. Kenneth Grant</li> </ul> <p>The session moderator will invite closing remarks from all interested parties.</p>
11:45am – 12:00pm	<b>Closing Statements and adjourn</b>

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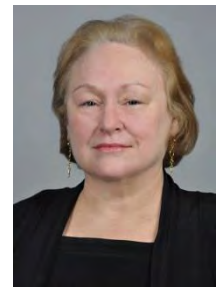
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