

The World Health Challenge

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A new approach to World healthcare

Basic Requirements

- 1.** The citizen is a participant in decisions about **health care and health protection**
(The Citizen as Health System Stakeholder)

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2. All world countries must develop the culture of solidarity.

Citizens' expectations to health protection

1. Clean air
2. Uncontaminated water
3. Safe, wholesome food
4. Adequate housing
5. Safety at workplace
6. No psychological harassment at workplace

Citizens' expectations to health protection

7. Efficient public transport system
8. Periodic health checks for early disease detection
9. Efficient system for dispensing healthcare
10. Easy access to general practitioner and to the Hospital

- Satisfying these basic expectations requires a World Health Protection Initiative involving the Ministries of Health/Welfare, Agriculture, Environment and Research of all world countries under the **coordination of World Health Organization.**

Decalogue of patient rights

1. Right to scientifically-validated treatments
2. Right to prompt treatments
3. Right to a second opinion
4. Right to privacy
5. Right to know the truth about one's illness

Decalogue of patient rights

6. Right to be informed about treatments
7. Right to refuse treatments
8. Right to express the “living will”
9. Right to be spared pain and suffering
10. Right to respect and dignity

We have different
regulations and practices
across world countries

but

Common objectives

Obstacles to common objectives

In developed countries

- A.** Insufficient resources for prevention
- B.** Inadequate investment in medical research
- C.** Hospitals not always of high standard

Obstacles to common objectives

In newly emerging countries

- A. Poverty
- B. Illiteracy
- C. Rudimentary health care systems