

GLOBAL CHILD HEALTH TOWARDS 2030

THE FUTURE IN OUR HANDS



Folkets hus, Norra Bantorget, 20 April 2015



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At the end of 2015 the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) have their end date. Despite substantial progress, MDG 4 (Reduce by two-thirds, between 1990 and 2015, the under-five mortality rate) will not be reached. Under-five mortality has fallen by half since 1990, but still 6.3 million children die before their fifth birthday.

The discussions about the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that will supersede the MDGs are intense. The final decisions about the SDGs will be made at a United Nations summit in September 2015, but it is already clear that a focus area related to Health with targets for continued reductions in child mortality will be included. The current draft proposes the following target: "by 2030 end preventable deaths of newborns and under five children".

What can Sweden do to best contribute to this work? Sweden has a long history of working in the field of global child health, both in research and NGOs directly having programmes in low-income-countries. What can we learn from other countries and each other? How can we best work together for improved child health?

We invite interested clinicians, researchers and representatives from civil society and government to take part in this half-day meeting to discuss these issues together.

Objectives:

- i) Share experiences about progress and challenges in the work on Millennium Development Goal Number 4
- ii) Learn more about global and Swedish priorities in the field of global child health and how they are aligned.
- iii) Share experiences from on-going research activities and programmatic work within the field of global child health and experiences, with a focus on low-and middle-income countries.

The half-day-meeting takes place in the afternoon of April 20, 2015, during the "Children's week" that takes place in Stockholm and gathers 1,000 paediatricians and paediatric nurses. The theme for this year's meeting is "The future in our hands".

Welcome! Folkets hus, Norra Bantorget, 20 April 2015.

Agenda Monday 20th April 2015, Hall A

- 13.15-13.25 Welcome
- 13.25-13.55 Global Child Health 2015 – the end of the Millennium Development Goals and the beginning of the Sustainable Development Goals, Dr Elisabeth Mason, World Health Organisation
- 13.55-14.20 Adolescents and global health post 2015, Professor Russell Viner, University College Hospital and Gt. Ormond St Hospital in London
- 14.20-14.40 Research for improved child health in Uganda – towards 2030, Associate professor Peter Waiswa, Makerere University Kampala, Uganda
- 14.40-14.55 The first 25 years of The convention of the Rights of the child- next steps, Elisabeth Dahlin, Secretary General, Save the Children Sweden
- 14.55-15.25 Coffee break
- 15.25-15.45 Sweden's priorities, Gunilla Backman, Senior policy advisor, Sida (Swedish International Development Cooperation)
- 15.45-16.05 Practicing as a paediatrician in low-income countries, Eugène Bushayija, Doctors without borders (MSF) and Dr Åsa Leufvén , CEFAM
- 16.05-16.15 What can we do as paediatricians in Sweden? Dr Maria Mossberg, Section for Global Health, Swedish Paediatric Society
- 16.15-17.00 Panel discussion with the presenters (16.15-17.00)
Moderated by, Dr Tobias Alfvén, Sachs' Children and Youth Hospital and Karolinska Institutet



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