

Score Card on Global Health, Hokkaido Toya-ko Summit 2008 (as of July 16, 2008)

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This score card shows the independent evaluations of the outcomes of G8 Toya-ko Summit on global health.

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2008 G8 Hokkaido Toya-ko Summit		Report Card (Global Health)	
NAME: G8 Countries (US, UK, Italy, Canada, Germany, Japan, France, Russia)			
Number	Curriculum	Content	Financial Commitment
1	(Global Health Overall) Political commitment and financial resources necessary to attain the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) by 2015 : Can we achieve MDGs by 2015?	<b>B+</b>	<b>D</b>
2-1	(MDG 4) Decreasing the child mortality rate and improvement of nutrition and coverage of immunization, which requires an increase of USD 10.2 Billion annually, together with MDG 5 (improving maternal health). Can we protect children?	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>
2-2	(MDG 5) Improving maternal health and commitment to the realization of Universal Access to Reproductive Health Services, which requires an increase of USD 10.2 Billion annually, together with MDG 4 (decreasing child mortality). Can we improve maternal health?	<b>C</b>	<b>F</b>
3	(MDG 4/5) Recognition of the importance of continued care, commitment for increased proportion of births attended by skilled birth attendants, and prevention of mother to child transmission of HIV, which requires an increase of USD 10.2 Billion annually for both MDG 4 & 5	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>
4	(MDG 6) Comprehensive financial and action plan for the attainment of Universal Access to Prevention, treatment and care by 2010: Will the G8 seriously commit to fighting HIV/AIDS?	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
5	(MDG 6) Political commitment towards the removal of travel restrictions (denial of Entry, Stay and/or Residence) of HIV+ persons (MDG 6) and the need to commit and support Global Plan to Stop TB : Can we respond to current and emerging global health concerns?	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>
6	(MDG 6 & Health Systems) Address the urgency of the emerging HIV/TB co-infection, multi-drug resistant (MDR) and extensively drug-resistant (XDR) TB, and the need to commit and support Global Plan to Stop TB : Can we respond to current and emerging global health concerns?	<b>B</b>	<b>D</b>
7	(MDG 6 & Health Systems) The fulfillment of the USD 60 Billion pledge made at the 2007 G8 Summit in Heiligendamm for the three infectious diseases and Health System Strengthening by 2010. Commit fully to fully fund the Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria so it grows to the size of USD 6-8 Billion by 2010: Can the G8 fulfill its commitments?	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>
8	(Health Systems/Health Care Workers) Firm and time bound targets and financial commitments necessary to increase the number of health workers in developing countries. Can there be a numerical target and financial commitment?	<b>B</b>	<b>D</b>
9	(Health Systems) The realization of Universal Access to comprehensive primary health care, including the removal of user fees in developing countries, and increase developing countries' health spendings by lifting/relaxing IMF macroeconomic restraint policies: Can we realize health for all?	<b>B-</b>	<b>D</b>
10	(Follow Up Mechanism) Global health as a permanent agenda of the G8: To hold the G8 accountable, a mechanism that will annually monitor and evaluate the progress towards the attainment of global health commitments: Can they create a mechanism that will make them keep their promises?	<b>A-</b>	<b>A-</b>
General Score		Letter Grade	On wording and arrangement
Substance	Finance	A	Full financial and political commitment with a time bound concrete action and financial plan. Satisfactory target
<b>B-</b>	<b>D</b>	B	(1) acceptable (but still lacking) financial contribution target (2) Targets are acceptable, concrete and time bound action plan for the attainment has a positive outlook
	<b>C-</b>	C	financial contribution is lacking, target timeline is ambiguous/unclear, problems with planning
		D	contains only the issue or analysis of the issue, no clear of concrete financial and action plan. No time target.
		F	Missing/ completely lacking, thus impossible to evaluate
			No mention of issue

Details/Comments

Good Points: the political will to select "health" as a major agenda as the most off-track targets of MDGs and organized a series of G8 Health Experts Meetings to issue the final outcome document as "Toya-ko Framework". Challenges: No mention about 0.7% target, and strong resistance from some G8 governments to include Gleneagles Commitment to increase ODA to 50 billion annually.

Good Points: Clear mentions about nutrition and immunization. Challenges: No mention at all on financial issues

Good Points: SRH was written as a prioritized agenda. Challenges: a backward from TICAD Action Plan which included Universal Access of SRH. No financial commitments at all.

Good Points: Clear targets in skilled birth attendants and mentions on PMTCT. Challenges: No financial commitment at all

Challenges: No financial plans to disburse necessary budget to achieve U.A.

Good Points: raised the issue in the G8. Challenges: It is necessary to mention legislative reform to abolish (or relax) travel restrictions but no clear mentions about it. We expect the G8 "follow" this issue and

Good Points: Strong mentions on MDR/XDR-TB and HIV/TB Co-infection. Challenges: No financial commitments except 60 billion of Heiligendamm. No mention about TB in G8 Communiqué.

Good Points: clear set of the deadline. Challenges: If it is disbursed by 5 years it may mean decrease of the financing to the 3 diseases and HSS. Ambiguous explanation, such as "The 3 infectious diseases" to just "infectious diseases" and "health system strengthening" to "strengthen health"

Good Points: firstly mentioned on this issue and set clear target "2.3/1000". Challenges: No mention about "4.1/1000" and "doubling HCW in Africa". Ambiguity on stopping brain drain.

Good Points: clear mention about children's access to "basic health care services", including free of charge. Challenges: No mention about improving access of PHC to women and vulnerable groups.

Good Points: a clear mechanism to evaluate the progress of G8 governments each. Challenges: Unknown if the future host countries can work along this mechanism. We put the high score with our expectation.