THE GUIDE TO
DELEGATE
PREPARATION

World Health Organisation

Enhancing the quality of subsidised healthcare

RESOURCES

Rules of Procedure	https://docs.google.com/document/d/1AvaEKch53eEw_Fz_MFpuN7Ig4lEika0-7eByUcVYFu0/edit
Guide to writing a position paper	https://docs.google.com/document/d/1if4LjSSXwpT8inyMAwK7a94TXjaKC30sZpEBE3PkY-w/edit
Guide to writing a resolution	https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MDJq4F5upMTwAlxt96Jt3VdKbP2zxcN8Rz9MOZl4BuM/edit
Criteria for winning awards	https://docs.google.com/document/d/1G0g_x3dNAwDtxWbB3_zPAK0sDJPAFaKcnQ1_J_CeDY0/edit

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MEET THE DAIS

Chairperson

Hey! I am Vinay Shah, the chair for your committee. I am 17 years old now, and am in my final year of school (hopefully). I am extremely open. Some of my friends would describe me as quirky, but I swear I'm cool once you get to know me. Don't let that scare you, though. I've got a range of interests. I am a geek of sorts, I love watching anime, I love reading about the sciences, and I sit through the credits at the end of every Marvel movie! I love listening to music, and I love playing the piano even more so. I think that there is no better way to escape the world than to read books! Outside of the house, you'll find me playing football with my friends, or running at the race track.

Vice-Chairperson

Hello. I am Andrea Tanvi Sunil, your vice chair. I am 15 years old and I am currently in the tenth grade. I love listening to music and movies are basically my life. I am a hard core YouTube and Sitcom addict. Along with all of this, I love writing and I aspire to be a writer or journalist in the future. I love reading books and exploring new genres. I'm an 'ambi-vert' and prefer spending my time on the internet rather than studying. This will be my first chairing experience. Hope to have an awesome time with you guys.

INTRODUCTION TO THE AGENDA

IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF SUBSIDIZED HEALTHCARE

Healthcare is one of the single largest costs to a country, after defense. The problem with many developing and developed nations is the quality they are receiving after this expenditure is not up to the mark. A government should be able to provide the best health service that it can to its people.

When governments subsidize the healthcare, they are not paying the cost for individuals who cannot afford it, rather they are simply "shifting" the cost onto another person who can afford to pay extra. These funds come mainly in the form of taxes of different sources. Different governments have different fiscal policies, and so they have different approaches to the healthcare system.

The purpose of this committee is to improve the quality of the healthcare that reaches the citizens. Countries like France, and Canada are leaps forward in the healthcare industry, spending only a fraction of what the USA spends, whereas the USA is nowhere close to the quality that they provide. Clearly something is wrong. There are countries where the public healthcare system is so weak that only the rich can afford to go to the better, private, hospitals. Healthcare is not something that should be exclusive to the rich alone. There are countries where governments are just not spending money and resources on healthcare, leaving a low quality, failed system in place. This is depriving humans of a basic necessity: life itself.

There is a point where one must consider how far a country is willing to cut costs for quantity over quality. This committee will convene so that the countries will be able to rework their healthcare policies such that healthcare is affordable for all, and accessible to all.

QUESTIONS THAT A RESOLUTION MUST ANSWER

A RESOLUTIONS MUST ANSWER ALL THESE QUESTIONS TO BE DISCUSSED IN COMMITTEE. THIS WILL MAKE SURE THAT RESOLUTIONS ARE COMPREHENSIVE, THE DEBATE IS STRUCTURED AND PURPOSEFUL AND IT WILL FORCE THE DELEGATES TO CRITICALLY EXAMINE ALL ASPECTS OF THE AGENDA

- How can governments sustainably subsidize healthcare?
- How will single-payer healthcare systems increase the speed, and the quality, of treatment?
- Is it ethical for governments to force their citizens into paying for healthcare when they do not want it?
- How viable is it to provide "quality" healthcare at low rates in capitalist economies?
- How do developing countries improve their healthcare to allow even the very poor to benefit?
- How do countries support subsidizing if the majority of citizens are unable to pay tax?
- How do least developed countries (LDCs) develop a sustainable healthcare system for their citizens?
- What support frameworks should be amended so that the required countries receive adequate aid?

SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER RESEARCH

- Look at the current "form" of health system followed by your government
- Understand the financial position of your country
- Understand what your country can contribute to the discussion if it has an expertise
- Focus on the inefficiencies of your country's current healthcare system, identify what can be done to improve the system
- Understand the relationship between the type of economy and type of healthcare system in the country