



CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS

Definition of the constituency in the HDC

The Civil Society Constituency incorporates Non-governmental Organizations, civil society and community-based organizations engaged with advocacy, accountability, demand generation or delivery of services who use or produce data, especially for communities left behind.

Constituency Membership

The constituency currently includes

- AIDS Council of New South Wales (ACON)
- Centre for Health Science Training and Development (CHESTRAD)
- Open Communities
- PATH
- Global Network of People Living with HIV (GNPLH)
- PharmAccess Group
- Save The Children

Added value of the constituency in the HDC

The HDC Civil Society Constituency plays a key role for the HDC to achieve its mission and achieve its 3 objectives (increasing capacity of HIS, aligning investments and contextualizing global tools).

At the global level, the constituency supports working group approaches to contextualize global products and tools for the needs of local communities and increase use of data for planning and implementations at local levels.

At the national level, the constituency contributes to HDC objectives by;

- Supporting the collection, analysis and use of health data (especially in contexts with weak government systems and from communities) to guide policy, planning and budgeting;
- Representing and advocating for the needs of communities left behind facing geographic or social barriers (fragile, rural remote, urban poor contexts or those affected by stigma and discrimination). For example, this could include female or religious leader representation and support community engagement of planning, implementing and monitoring services so they become more acceptable, appropriate and sustainable;
- Supporting community-based contact tracing or surveillance and monitoring;
- Strengthening accountability processes to those left behind and stimulate participation of all relevant stakeholders;

Constituency focus 2022-2023

- This constituency is underrepresented and representation at all levels, including national and subnational must be strengthened