



Revision of the International Classification for Health Accounts

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Background to SHA and ICHA

- ICHA first published in an OECD Manual “A System of Health Accounts” SHA in 2000
- WHO “Guide to producing national health accounts “ PG published 2003
- OECD, WHO and Eurostat have agreed to revise SHA and ICHA to be finalised end 2010
- Revision conducted by IHAT
- Supported by EDG, website and regional expert meetings

What is SHA?

- Policy interests:
 - drivers of health expenditure growth?
 - observed differences between countries e.g. public v private?
 - changes in health expenditure v performance of health systems?
- SHA addresses 3 main questions
 - Where does the money come from?
 - Where does the money go?
 - What kind of services and goods are purchased?
- Common concepts, definitions and accounting rules

Basic definition of SHA

Current expenditure on health: final consumption expenditure of resident units on health care goods and services

What is ICHA?

- 3 main dimensions
- Health functions HC
- Health providers HP
- Health financing agents/schemes HF
- Additional dimensions
- Financing sources FS
- Resource costs RC
- With cross-classified tables HPxHC, HFxHP etc
- Joint data collection

Why revise?

- 10 years experience
- Evolving health systems organisation
- Conceptual and methodological weaknesses
- Greater complexity of financing
- Related systems are changing
- Analysts would like extra dimensions such as capital expenditure or expenditure by disease, age and gender

HC health functions

- Types of health services / goods for final domestic consumption
- Treatment of disease or prevention or public health or administration
- Products with a purpose
- Relates to CPC, COFOG, COICOP, COPNI

HP Health providers

- Who provides the services
- Hospitals
- Primary care centres
- Nursing homes
- Pharmacies
- Health insurers
- Ministries of health
- Etc
- Relates to ISIC

HF/FS Health financing

- Who is paying?
- Third party payers
- Risk pooling
- Access
- Schemes becoming more complex
- Financing interest comes down to which institutional sector is paying how much for what?
- Public/private partnerships
- Foreign aid for health
- Relates to SNA institutional sectors

Finally

- Would like any Expert Group advice please
- More information at <http://www.oecd.org/health/sha/revision>
- Thank you