

WHA77 – IADR Statement on Item 11.1 Universal Health Coverage

Pillar 1: One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage

Documents [A77/4](#) and EB154/2024/REC/1, decision EB154(6)

Agenda item 11. Review of and update on matters considered by the Executive Board

The International Association for Dental, Oral, and Craniofacial Research, representing over 10,000 researchers worldwide **with support from FDI** urges governments to:

- invest in the prevention and control of NCDs that is **inclusive** of oral health and oral health research through adequate and sustained resources.
- prioritize access to national UHC benefit packages that incorporate essential and quality oral health services at the primary care level, and
- include oral health in national health surveillance by fully implementing the Global Oral Health Action Plan and a 3-year response frequency of its monitoring framework report.

Progress towards SDG target 3 remain off track therefore universal health coverage **must** be inclusive of oral health as health systems without oral health fail on the health system performance dimensions of equity, quality, responsiveness, efficiency, and resilience.

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