

Healthcare Working Group

Improving health globally through a sustainable and resilient healthcare sector

OUR MISSION

In a radically transformed operating environment, the mission of the HCWG is to empower its member companies to be stronger and more sustainable, and to take collective action towards a more resilient industry

Introduction

Established in 1999, BSR's Healthcare Working Group (HCWG) serves as a forum for companies to discuss societal issues faced by the healthcare sector, with a view to maximizing the scalability, sustainability, and impact of their responses.

HCWG participants include senior company representatives from functions including CSR, communications, investor relations, market access, and public and governmental affairs.

This group provides a forum for precompetitive collaboration on key sustainable business issues. It also offers companies the opportunity to network with their peers and share their experiences and best practices in an environment that promotes learning and respects confidentiality.

Our Accomplishments

- We launched the Guiding Principles on Access to Healthcare (GPAH), an industrywide framework for reducing the global burden of disease and improving global health outcomes
- The GPAH have been signed by the CEOs of 13 major healthcare companies with global leadership in pharmaceuticals, vaccines, diagnostics, and other medical technology
- The HCWG is BSR's longest-standing collaborative initiative, with 20 years of experience and expertise in collective solutions for a sustainable and resilient healthcare sector

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With its twentieth anniversary in 2019, the Healthcare Working Group is BSR's longest-standing collaborative initiative

Our SDG Alignment



Why Join?

1 Network and collaborate with peers working across the global healthcare sector

2 Amplify your company's voice in stakeholder discussions

3 Keep abreast of emerging issues facing the pharmaceutical and healthcare industries

4 Learn from experts on topics such as access to healthcare, climate resilience, artificial intelligence, and trust and transparency

COMPANIES

Abbott Laboratories
AstraZeneca PLC
Bristol-Myers Squibb
Celgene Corporation
Eisai Company, Ltd.
GlaxoSmithKline PLC
Johnson & Johnson
LEO Pharma A/S
Merck & Co., Inc.
Merck KGaA
Novartis AG
Sanofi S.A.
Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd.
Takeda Pharmaceutical Company Ltd.

Our Insights



REPORT

Climate and Health

Climate change affects each and every human around the globe, with profound and potentially lasting implications for global health. This paper uses data and case studies to highlight the impacts of climate change on health and help companies across sectors understand the resulting consequences for business. [Read more](#)



REPORT

Innovative Finance to Expand Access to Healthcare

This paper—an output of the Healthcare Working Group and the first sectoral guide on the topic—aims to catalyze more innovative finance partnerships that unlock new and greater sources of finance to advance access to quality healthcare around the world. [Read more](#)



REPORTS

Advancing Access-to-Healthcare Metrics

This paper sets to help pharmaceutical and medical device companies improve their ability to measure and report performance on access to healthcare by improving the quality and comparability of metrics, by increasing the focus on outcomes, and by providing related guidance on monitoring and evaluation methodology. [Read more](#)

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