

Dear subscribers to the AMR e-discussion,

As moderators of Part II of the AMR e-discussion on Global Public Health we would like to briefly summarize the contributions of the first week of discussions on emerging and future health challenges and invite your specific remarks on some additional points that we find useful to address.

Before that, let us kindly draw your attention to the [responses in full of Part I of the AMR e-discussion](#) in case you have not been able to follow the debate from the beginning. The summary of Part I will also be made available shortly on the AMR homepage.

So far, the discussion in Part II has been very stimulating and we thank the participants for their critical thoughts and specific examples, especially with regard to noncommunicable diseases (NCDs). Some of the key points coming out of the discussion of this first week of Part II were the following:

1. Health care delivery tends to be fragmented, which makes it especially difficult to address multifaceted problems, such as tobacco control, alcohol abuse or mental health

(iii) arguments which address the trade-off between NCD policies and other priorities of national health systems.

All your recommendations and proposals will play an integral role in the preparation of this year's High-level segment of ECOSOC on "Implementing the internationally agreed goals and commitments in regard to global public health."