Background

• The Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO) works with countries throughout the region to improve and protect people's health.

• PAHO/WHO has a long history of supporting South-South and Triangular Cooperation, namely through technical cooperation among countries.

• Mandate on Cooperation among Countries for Health Development (CCHD) given by PAHO/WHO Member States: Policy (CD52/11, 2013) and Resolution (CD52.R15, 2013)
CCHD areas of work

**Convening and advocacy**
- Promote cooperation among countries
- Interregional exchanges
- Subregional cooperation

**Brokering and knowledge-sharing**
- Facilitate knowledge and information sharing
- Document and exchange of evidence based good practices
- Develop methodologies to assess CCHD and measure impact

**Building partnerships and resource mobilization**
- Forge partnerships and promote networks among national institutions and centers of excellence
- Mobilize resources to support these exchanges
- PAHO CCHD Financing Mechanism
Cooperation among Countries for Health Development (CCHD),

*PAHO Policy document CD52/11*

**Brokering and knowledge-sharing.**

Facilitating knowledge and information sharing particularly the documentation and exchange of evidence-based good practices at regional and global levels; develop methodologies to assess cooperation among countries and better measure its impact on health development.
Monitoring and assessment

• Performance Monitoring and Assessment (PMA)
• Analysis of country and subregional Bienial Workplans
• Mainstreamed as a cooperation modality in operational and strategic planning (M&E guidelines PAHO Strategic Plan 2020-25 and PAHO Program Budget 2022-23)
• CCHD Funding Mechanism’s projects

Documentation and reporting

• PAHO Governing Bodies: 1) CCHD progress report (every two years), 2) subregional integration mechanisms (annually)
• UN Secretary General report on South-South Cooperation (annually)
• Systematization, documentation and publication of CCHD initiatives and good practices (PAHO, WHO, UNOSSC publications, South-South Galaxy, SEGIB, …)
• Global, regional and subregional fora (i.e. GSSD Expo)
Strengthening AMR Detection and Surveillance at the National and Regional Level in the CARICOM: Argentina – CARICOM, (2019-2021)

- Over 300 nurses, physicians and laboratory specialists from 7 Caribbean countries trained
- 119 participants from 12 countries completed virtual training in AMR detection and surveillance
- 3 countries detected outbreaks of antimicrobial-resistant (AMR) bacteria
- Setup of the “Caribbean External Quality Assurance Program in Bacteriology and Antimicrobial Resistance” in 12 National Reference Laboratories
The number of maternal deaths was reduced by **23%** and maternal mortality rate by **18%**.

The number of neonatal deaths was reduced by **26%** and the neonatal mortality rate was reduced by **39%**.

The number of institutional deliveries increased by **21%**.

**162 and 595** health professionals trained in Haiti and in Dominican Republic, respectively.

**2,272** increased in number of Haitian women benefiting from a first prenatal visit.
Issues and challenges

“More evidence and robust information is required in order to understand the contribution that this cooperation has made to health development in the Region”,
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• Improvement and institutionalization of CCHD information and data collection and analysis
• Visibility and added value beyond monetarization
• Processes versus results/impact on institutions and people’s lives
Opportunities and way forward

➢ Measuring SSC: multi-purpose, provides complementarities/synergies/alliances and different entry points

➢ Country-focused and country-led: Member States demand and recognize SSC contributions to advance the SDGs and request better measurement

➢ Build on the lessons learned from the COVID-19 pandemic: health as a fundamental pillar of cooperation and integration, and for strengthening solidarity and equity