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## **30th DIRECTING COUNCIL**

36th SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

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### ***RESOLUTION***

#### ***CD30.R15***

## **COORDINATION OF SOCIAL SECURITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTIONS**

*THE 30<sup>th</sup> DIRECTING COUNCIL,*

Having examined the report on Coordination of Social Security and Public Health Institutions (Document CD30/18);

Cognizant of the progress that the countries have made in this field and aware that, unless the ministries of health and social security institutions coordinate their activities, it will be virtually impossible for a large number of countries in the Region to achieve the objective of universal coverage;

Bearing in mind the various suggestions and proposals made by the country delegations for strengthening and broadening coordination arrangements, which will improve the organization of national health resources in addressing the health care needs of the population; and

Considering that the current critical situation of the Latin American economies directly affects the financing of health and social security programs, and that new financing approaches and strategies must be found for providing those programs with an adequate share of society's resources and opportunities,

## *RESOLVES*

1. To accept the report presented by the Director on coordination of social security and public health institutions.
2. To reiterate the recommendations included in Resolution XXXIV of the XXVIII Meeting of the Directing Council (1981), especially those recommending that the Governments "establish or restructure the bodies for interinstitutional representation in the health field . . . to . . . give these institutions a role in decision-making" within the health sector and "include representatives of social security agencies and other health sector institutions in delegations to the Meetings of the Organization's Governing Bodies."
3. To recommend to the Member Governments that they formulate strategies for the progressive development of linkages in those areas in which the coordination of social security institutions and ministries of health would help ensure better use of national resources for the extension of health care services to those population groups that still lack access to them.
4. To urge the Member Governments to:
  - a) Carry out studies that will help define the sectoral framework and the interinstitutional relationships in which health care delivery actually takes places;
  - b) Conduct health care coverage studies designed to determine the actual use made of the services and the possibilities of complementary sectoral institutions in providing health care for the population;
  - c) Analyze the financial systems of social security institutions and the health sector as a whole, with a view to the adoption of policies and programs that will promote adequate interaction between ministries of health and social security institutions.
5. To recommend to the Member Governments that they include the health programs of the social security system in the preparation and implementation of technical cooperation plans and programs for the health sector, as well as specific activities for promoting and supporting the legal, institutional, and operational coordination of ministries of health and social security institutions.
6. To request the Director to take the steps necessary for the establishment and conduct of a well-defined program of technical cooperation with national and international social security agencies that will ensure the appropriate broadening and strengthening of activities for encouraging and supporting the above-mentioned actions.
7. To request the Director to report to the XXXII Meeting of the Directing Council on the current situation, the progress made, and activities undertaken in this field, and to include in his annual reports information on the continuing development of the matter.