



Health Policy Defined

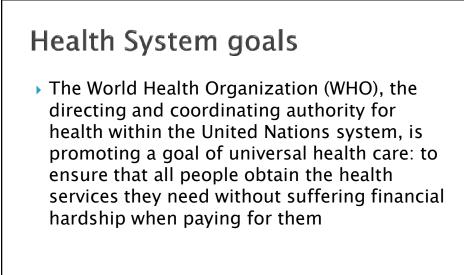
- The modern concept of healthcare involves access to medical professionals from various fields as well as medical technology, such as medications and surgical equipment
- It also involves access to the latest information and evidence from research, including medical research and health services research.

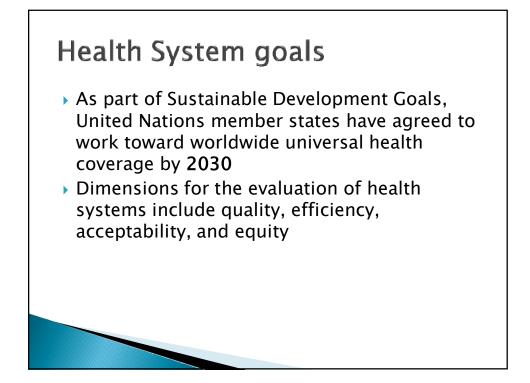
Health Policy Defined Many governments around the world have established universal health care, which takes the burden of healthcare expenses off of private businesses or individuals through pooling of financial risk Healthcare is an important part of health

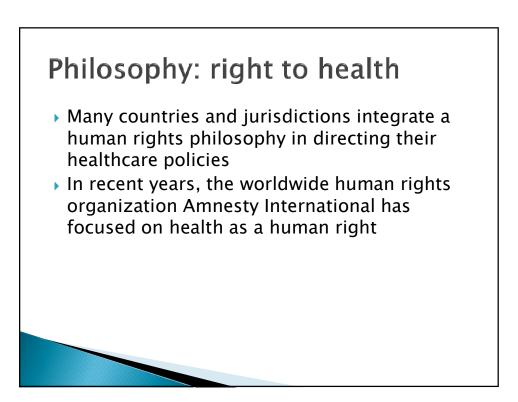
Healthcare is an important part of health systems and therefore it often accounts for one of the largest areas of spending for both governments and individuals all over the world

Health System Defined

- A health system, also sometimes referred to as health care system or as healthcare system, is the organization of people, institutions, and resources that deliver health care services to meet the health needs of target populations
- Every nation must design and develop health systems in accordance with their needs and resources, although common elements in virtually all health systems are primary healthcare and public health measures

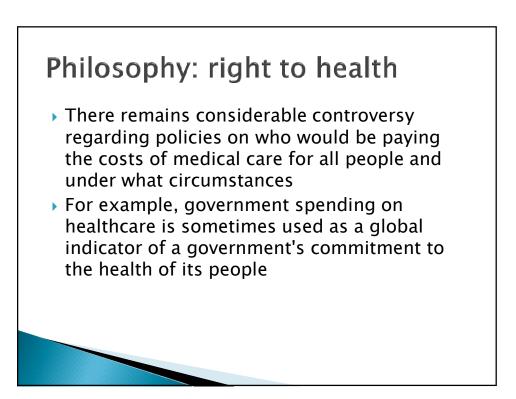




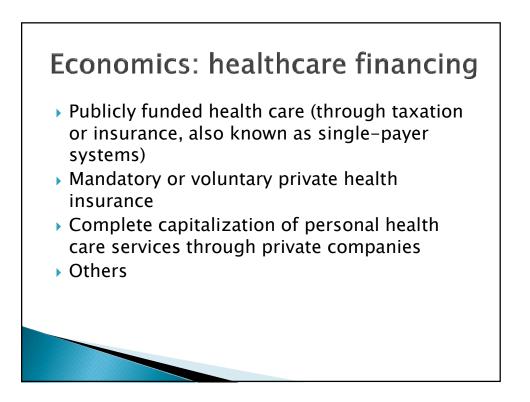


Philosophy: right to health

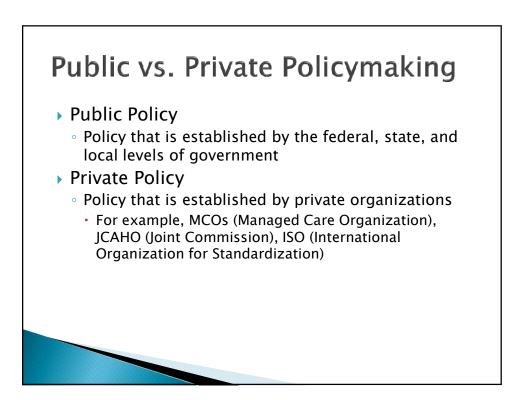
UDHR Article 25: "Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and of his family, including food, clothing, housing and medical care and necessary social services, and the right to security in the event of unemployment, illness, disability, widowhood, old age or other lack of livelihood in circumstances beyond his control."

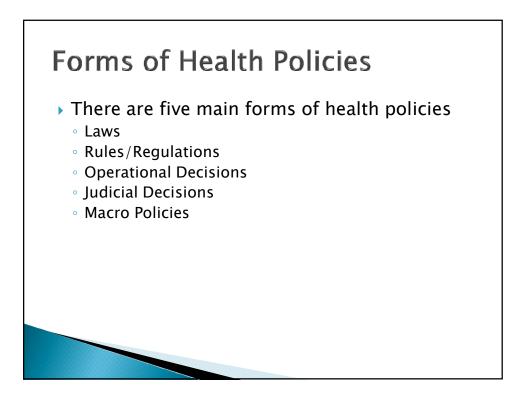


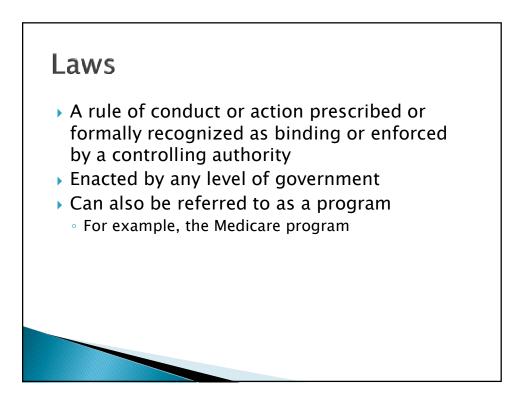




Economics: healthcare financing on which type of health financing policy results in better or worse quality of healthcare services provided, and how to ensure allocated funds are used effectively, efficiently and equitably

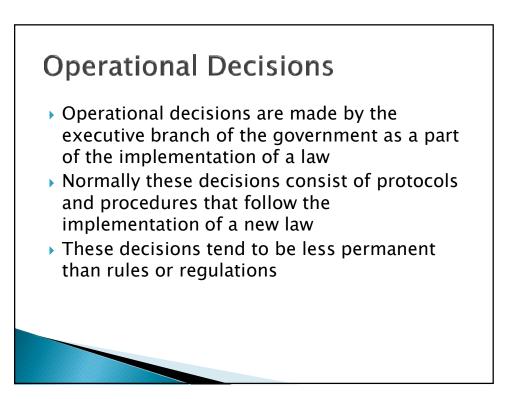








- Designed to guide the implementation of laws
- Can be made in the executive branch by the organizations and agencies responsible for implementing laws



Judicial Decisions

- These are policies that are created as a result of a decision made in the court system
- For example, an opinion listed in 1992 by a DHHS (US Department of Health and Human Services) administrative law judge stated that a hospital was in violation of the Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1974





