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## **Chapter 9: Friends of PHM and Alliance Partners of PHM**

Organizations and networks can be associated with PHM in two ways and both these can co-exist. One form of association would be known as “Friends of PHM”. The other form would be known as “Affiliated Organizations”. “Friends of PHM” are organizations and individuals who believe in the work that PHM does and wish to be part of ensuring the continuation of PHM as an independent voice by contributing financially to PHM. An organization can be both friend and affiliate of PHM at the same time.

### **“FRIENDS OF PHM” GUIDELINES**

1. As part of strategies for raising resources, PHM shall create a solidarity network composed of individuals and organizations that are willing to contribute to PHM financially on a regular basis.
2. This network will be called “Friends of PHM”.
3. This network will constitute institutional funders and individuals committed to providing financial support, on a regular basis or as a once off.
4. This financial contribution is not associated with representation in PHM’s governance structures.
5. We would publicize a list of “Friends of PHM” on the website. However, “Friends of PHM” will have the option of being publicly listed or remaining anonymous.
6. The status of Friend of PHM will be assessed annually. Renewal will be automatic with receipt of funding; where ‘Friends’ have committed to regular contributions less frequently than annual, they will be automatically renewed as long as these commitments are continued<sup>1</sup>; those who are only able to commit to a once off contribution would be listed for a calendar year following receipt of the once off contribution.

### **AFFILIATION GUIDELINES**

1. Affiliation indicates a long term, strategic partnership.
2. Anybody considered for affiliation should be in agreement with PHM’s values as set out in the People’s Charter for Health, the Declarations of the People’s Health Assemblies and principles of funding. A check will be done by the Global Secretariat on this in consultation with the SC, prior to including them in the list.
3. Affiliation is a combination of solidarity plus some role in the governance structure.

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<sup>1</sup> For example, if a Friend commits to contribute every second year, they would be listed as long as these contributions continue every 2 years

4. Three organisations from the Affiliated Organizations will be nominated as members of the PHM Steering Council by the PHM Steering Council in consultation with the organizations.

5. Founding organizations or networks are affiliated members as long as they are functional and contributing. The list of these founding members is enclosed along with an indication of those who are currently functional and contributing (Annexure 1).

6. Affiliation would be by invitation. The decision to include new Affiliated Organizations will be taken by PHM's Steering Council.

7. Organizations considered for affiliation should have strategic advantage at the global level and be active beyond a national realm.

8. Affiliation will be at the global level (not regional or country level), and in case a country circle has concerns regarding inclusion of an organization, the SC would take a final decision after discussions with the country circle and regional coordinator.

9. SC members will also pro-actively identify and propose potential affiliated organizations to the SC.

#### **FORMALISATION OF AFFILIATION**

1. There will be a MOU between PHM and the Affiliated Organizations. The MOU would have a general template with space for additional specific areas of collaboration. The MOU would clarify expectations and ultimately indicate some commitment to being an active part of PHM (Annexure 2).

2. Affiliated Organizations will be welcome and encouraged to use the PHM logo on their website. They are also welcome and encouraged to state "affiliated with the Peoples Health Movement" on their documents. This is however not mandatory.

3. Affiliated Organizations and PHM would use each other's communication platforms (website, social media, list serves) to share resources and information. .

4. The global secretariat would create a system for regular communication with Affiliated Organizations.

## **Annexure 1: List of Affiliated members**

VivaSalud

Medicus Mundi International Network – MMI

Health Poverty Action – HPA

Latin American Association of Social Medicine – ALAMES

International People’s Health Council – IPHC

Gonoshasthaya Kendra – People’s Health Centre – GK

Health Action International – HAI

Third World Network – TWN

HAI Asia Pacific

International Baby Food Network – IBFAN

Resource Group for Women and Health – SAMA

## **Annexure 2: MOU between PHM and affiliated organisation**

### Affiliated organisation AGREEMENT

Between

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and

People's Health Movement (PHM)

This agreement is to formalise mutual collaboration between .....  
(an affiliated network) and the People's Health Movement. As an affiliated network, you would become part of a pool of organisations, which have three representatives on the PHM global steering council.

.....and the People's Health Movement (PHM), agree to work together to advance Health for All as described in the Alma Ata declaration along below mentioned principles:

1. Endorsing the People's Charter for Health as fundamental to our work
2. Keeping each other informed about relevant developments in their respective organizations on policy, activities, and publications.
3. Draw on the expertise of each other as and when appropriate.
4. Publicise and promote each other's activities and programmes in newsletters, and on their respective websites.
5. Provide a link to each other's website.
6. Work to identify ways to increase collaboration

This agreement is valid from the date when the last of the parties sign the agreement and will remain in effect through the Term unless cancelled by mutual agreement for cause. We will intermittently seek ways to strengthen the collaboration and amend the agreement accordingly.

Signatures.....