Inter-Ministerial & Inter-Agency Coordination Framework for Migration Health Development in Sri Lanka

National Steering Committee on Migration Health (NSC)

National Migration Health Task Force (MHTF)

Migration Health Secretariat (Housed within the Ministry of Health, supported by IOM)

The dedicated hub that coordinates the National migration health agenda for Government of Sri Lanka

Comprised of Secretary/ Director General level representatives of the key Ministries such as Ministry of Health, Ministry of Foreign Affairs etc. Meets 2-3 times per year (or as per need) to decide on National policy decisions and inter-ministerial coordination issues forwarded by the MHTF

Comprised of technical focal points from each stake holder agency (Key Ministries, UN agencies, NGOs, Academics, Civil Society) that contributes actively to development and planning of the sectoral/ministry policies and programmes related to Migration Health. Meets once in 2 months

2008
- WHA Resolution Promoting Health of Migrants

2010
- IOM support for a National Research agenda
- MoH sets up Migration Health Secretariat with support from IOM
- Rapid Situation Analysis of Migration profile, Policy, Legal & services
- Migration Health Task Force & National Steering Committee

2011/2012
- Research Studies & Policy draft
- Health Services & Screening provided to returnee Migrants, linked to PHC services in SL
- Initial discussion on establishing Inbound Health Assessment for long stay visa applicants

2013
- National Migration Health Policy launched

2014
- Guidelines developed to strengthen health services at Points of Entry
- Migration Health Results Framework shared with relevant stakeholders

2015
- Health of Migrants discussed for first time at Colombo Process

2016
- SL co-hosts the Special event at UNGA on Health of Migrants in the context of migration & forced displacement
- SL co-hosts side event on Migration at WHA (May)
- WHO SEARO RC includes Migration Health in to the agenda upon request by SL
- SL requests through EB to strengthen monitoring of Migrant Health at WHA
- HE President of GoSL invites to host 2nd Global Consultation on Migration Health in SL
- SL hosts the 2nd Global Consultation on Migrant Health & Colombo Statement declared (Feb)
- WHA – SL reads Regional One Voice Statement on Migrant Health (May)
- Colombo Process considers inclusion of Health into future agendas
- Migration Health discussed at SAARC Health Ministers Meeting in Colombo
- SL hosts International Consultation on PDHA as a global Public Health Good
- SL finalizes its National PDHA guidelines
- SL includes Migration Health into National Human Rights Action Plan

2018
- Inbound HA for Resident visa applicants being finalized for implementation with IOM as Panel Physician (Inclusive of health access to migrants)

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