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We believe that Universal Health Coverage means everyone should have the right to get the health-care they need. This includes things like regular check-ups, medicine, and treatments. UHC is about being fair so that everyone has a chance to stay healthy. It helps people get the care they need without going broke because of the expensive medicine.

The main issue is that in some countries, for example, Mexico, they have many people living in poverty who can't afford to buy medicine. If this issue is fixed, millions of people who are suffering from illnesses and diseases won't have to pay thousands of dollars for a small amount of medicine. Right now, most countries are investing millions of dollars for healthcare, although on the downside, some countries do not give out free healthcare, and applying for it usually takes 10-12 months. For some countries, this can upset the economy because healthcare is usually expensive.

Some countries like China are very successful while others for example Kuwait could use a bit of work. Countries like Finland give out free healthcare and this is useful because people don't have to worry about getting sick or injured and having to pay thousands. The kingdom of Tonga believes it is very fortunate to have free health care, although it costs a lot of money they believe it's the right thing for citizens. On the other hand, there are places like Mexico and Peru, where most people live in poverty and can not afford to break a bone or get sick. First-world countries are trying to help out Mexico by delivering medicine, vaccines, and all sorts of health-related products.

It is like a team effort where governments, doctors, nurses, and everyday people work together to make sure no one gets left out. UHC is about building a world where everyone has the chance to live their best, healthiest life, and it starts with making sure healthcare is fair and available.