

# Pacific Health Information Network

Strengthening Health Information Systems and Digital Health

## Healthy Islands for the Pacific

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# Healthy Islands Vision

- Declared in 1995 by Pacific Health Ministers in the Yanuca Island Declaration.
- Healthy Islands are envisioned as:
  - Children are nurtured in body and mind,
  - Environment invite learning and leisure,
  - People work and age with dignity,
  - Ecological balance is a source of pride, and
  - The ocean which sustains us is protected.



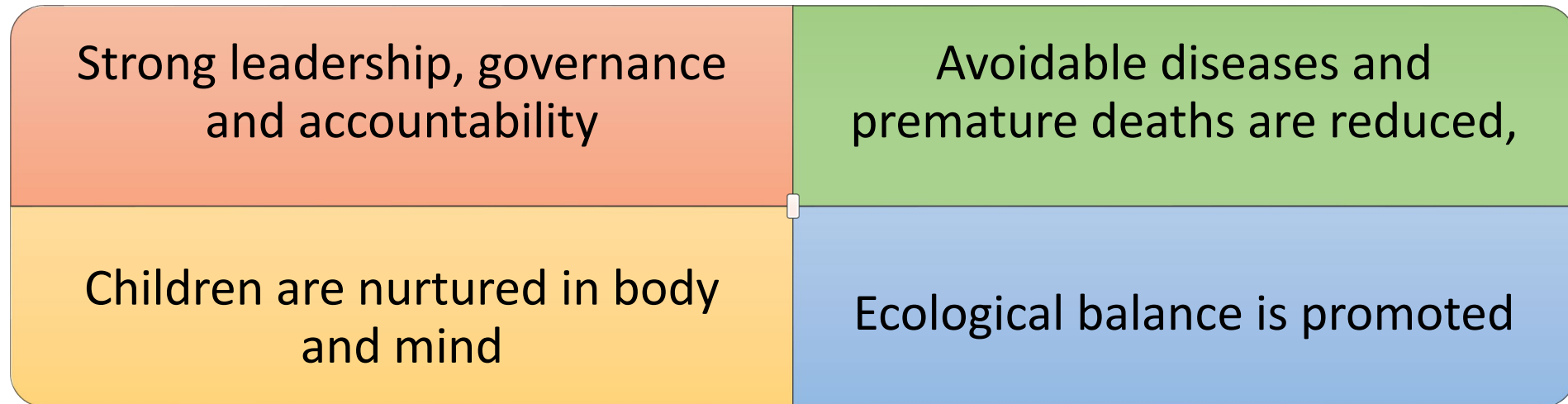
# Healthy Islands Vision

- At the 11<sup>th</sup> Pacific Health Ministers Meeting in 2015, health ministers agreed that:
  - The Healthy Islands vision remains the unifying theme to guide health development in the Pacific
  - A governance framework is needed to monitor progress and report actions towards the Healthy Islands vision
  - The PHMM mechanism should be leveraged to hold Pacific Island countries and areas (PICs) accountable



# Healthy Islands Monitoring Framework

- Development was led by Pacific health ministers, supported by development partners
- Two-year process, six revisions
- Final version has 48 core indicators covering:



# Healthy Islands Monitoring Framework

- Sole framework specifically designed to monitor health development needs in the Pacific
  - Broad range of health priorities, from NCD to environmental health
- At the regional-level, acts as an accountability mechanism
  - Ensure each PIC is moving towards the Healthy Islands vision
- At the country-level, provides high-quality evidence to inform country actions
  - Identify urgent and emerging health priorities
  - Determine and prioritize actions needed to manage health concerns

# Healthy Islands Monitoring Framework

- Pacific Health Ministers committed to HIMF progress review every two years
  - Two has been completed (2017, 2019)
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> progress review will be tabled in 2023
- Progress made towards the Healthy Islands vision and towards HIMF implementation, but lots of room for improvement



**Monitoring progress towards the vision of Healthy Islands in the Pacific 2017**  
First progress report



**Monitoring progress towards the vision of Healthy Islands in the Pacific**  
Second progress report 2019



# Conclusion

- HIMF can generate valuable data for multiple uses
  - Accountability and governance mechanism
  - Guide country actions to address emerging and urgent health priorities
- Need to encourage better HIMF data use for policy decisions at the country-level
  - Share best practices on how HIMF is put into use
  - Develop narratives and information products to communicate generated data insights



# Conclusion

- PHIN members are in a unique position lead their PICs to successfully complete HIMF progress review
  - PIC-created, PIC-led
- As technical experts, lead coordination of data collection between ministries and programmes, validation of data quality, and ensure timely reporting
  - With support from WHO and SPC as needed







Thank you!

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