

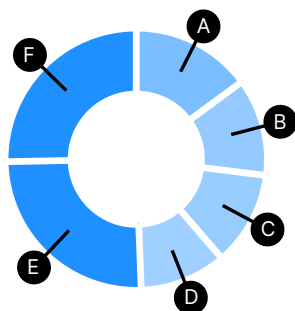
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Public health specialist with over 16 years of experience and expertise across provincial, national, regional and global levels, spanning government, development and UN sectors.

SCOPE OF WORK



- A** Primary Health Care & Universal Health Coverage
- B** Models of Care & Health Service Delivery
- C** Assessments, Design, Piloting, Scaling Health Reforms
- D** Surveillance, Emergency Response & Immunization
- E** Program Management & Resource Mobilisation
- F** Health Policy and Practice

WORK EXPERIENCE

World Health Organization | Headquarters

Global Roster of Experts - Primary Health Care

06/2023 - Present

Special Program on Primary Health Care

- Identified and documented implementation solutions and emerging innovations in PHC reforms, informing global best practices and strategies for scaling and sustaining effective approaches.
- Provided technical expertise in PHC investment planning, needs assessment, and policy development to strengthen evidence-based priority setting and performance improvement.

Darul Falah Islamic Centre (DFIC)

Resource Mobilisation & Grant Acquisition Advisor

10/2024 - Present

Non-profit Local Community Organisation

- Championed strategic resource mobilisation initiatives, securing the first external grants for DFIC valued from 3,000 to 50,000 CAD.
- Leveraged stakeholder engagement and proposal development skills to strengthen community programs and organisational sustainability.

World Health Organization | Headquarters

Technical Consultant

08/2024 - 08/2025

Health and Migration Department

- Leading the first regional (Western Pacific) and country (South Africa) level implementation of the Global Research Agenda on Health and Migration.
- Developing and testing tools, instruments and mechanisms to adapt and contextualise research agenda setting to regional and country context.
- Strengthening research practices and research to policy translation in countries across the six regions of WHO.
- Facilitating the development of research networks and partnerships for the Global Research Agenda on Health and Migration.

World Health Organization | Country Office Palestine

Technical Consultant

04/2024 - 06/2024

- Supported national health systems performance assessment and health system analysis to guide priority setting, inform Universal Health Care reforms and investment planning through the European Investment Bank.
- Facilitated multi sectoral stakeholder dialogues and contributed to the development of the national health strategy and implementation plan, ensuring alignment with emerging evidence, reform agendas, and long-term sustainability.

World Health Organisation | Western Pacific Regional Office

Technical Officer & Consultant - Primary Health Care and Global Health Initiatives

11/2020 - 12/2023

Health Policy & Service Design Unit | Division of Health Systems

- Coordinated regional efforts on primary health care (PHC) in the Western Pacific, supporting countries to assess, design, and implement reforms aligned with regional PHC and UHC frameworks.
- Provided technical leadership for health sector analysis, policy development, and strategic planning to advance comprehensive, continuous, and people-centered health services across multiple countries.
- Led evidence generation and knowledge exchange on PHC, service delivery, and essential public health functions through collaboration with networks, research institutes, and global partners.
- Co-authored the Western Pacific Regional PHC Framework, documented nine country case studies on PHC reforms, and served as regional focal point for PHC implementation solutions, supporting integration with global health initiatives and political economy analyses

WORK EXPERIENCE

World Health Organisation | Western Pacific Regional Office

Regional Deputy Lead - Health Service Delivery & Information and Planning Pillar 05/2020 - 10/2020

Incident Management Support Team | WHO Health Emergencies Program

- Led the Healthcare Capacity Monitoring Working Group and coordinated with Incident Management Teams, WHO Country Offices, and Regional IMST to operationalise multifaceted COVID-19 response strategies across countries of the Western Pacific Region.
- Supported countries to optimise service delivery by developing care pathways and strengthening medical oxygen systems.
- Produced clinical management guidelines, operational planning papers, and facility optimisation briefings.
- Supported streamlining multi-source surveillance systems, coordinated the development of the Western Pacific Regional Multi Source Surveillance Dashboard, and enhanced epidemiological monitoring and assessment mechanisms.
- Provided technical guidance and shared lessons learned within and across the organisation, fostering knowledge exchange and supporting resilient, integrated health systems during the pandemic response.

World Health Organisation | Country Office Pakistan

National Rapid Response Coordinator and Incident Manager 11/2019 - 04/2020

National Emergency Operations Center | Global Polio Eradication Initiative

- Led national emergency preparedness and response to polio (WPV & VDPV) outbreaks, managing multidisciplinary teams and building surge capacity across multiple organisations including WHO, UNICEF, National STOP, CDC and Government of Pakistan.
- Oversaw surveillance, risk assessments, and outbreak response planning, providing technical guidance and recommendations to National Emergency Operations Center and Global Polio Eradication Initiative leadership.

World Health Organisation | Country Office Pakistan

National Rapid Response Officer 12/2017 - 11/2019

National Emergency Operations Center | Global Polio Eradication Initiative

- Provided technical and operational guidance to national and provincial EOCs for emergency preparedness and coordinated implementation of polio outbreak response campaigns across Pakistan.
- Liaised with provincial teams to synchronize program operations and harmonize technical reporting, ensuring effective nationwide polio response.

Ministry of Planning and Development

Head of Chief Minister's Stunting Reduction Program 06/2017 - 11/2017

Government of Punjab

- Led the design and operationalization of the Chief Minister's Stunting Reduction Program in Punjab, developing a PKR 560 million investment case and comprehensive operational plan to institutionalize multi-sectoral nutrition interventions across high-burden districts.
- Mobilized political, administrative, and technical support to establish district malnutrition committees, strengthen coordination and monitoring systems, and advance evidence-based, sustainable strategies to reduce stunting in a province of over 115 million people.

Heartfile - Health Think Tank

Senior Manager Health Systems Strengthening 01/2010 - 06/2017

- Served as Head of Policy Advocacy and Research at Heartfile, leading organisational monitoring, evaluation, and research, and providing technical leadership across multiple health systems strengthening, UHC, and RMNCH projects funded by international donors
- Operational lead for the development, piloting, and national scale-up of the award-winning Heartfile Health Financing program, a pioneering mHealth-enabled social protection system recognized by global platforms for preventing medical impoverishment.
- Managed diverse grant portfolios, designed and implemented fundraising strategies, and drove high-impact policy advocacy initiatives, resulting in increased visibility, sustainability, and policy influence for Heartfile's health innovation and financing models

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

International Practitioner

United Kingdom

Faculty of Public Health

03/2021 - Present

Fellow

United Kingdom

Royal Society of Public Health

02/2021 - Present

Member

Netherlands

European Public Health Association

03/2021 - Present

Masters of Public Health

United Kingdom

London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, University of London

09/2011 - 09/2012

Doctor of Medicine (MD)

Pakistan

Foundation University Islamabad

01/2005 - 12/2009

Strengthening Primary Health Care and Social Protection: UHC in Pakistan through Heartfile Health Financing	2013 - 2017
Lead for International Development Research Center (IDRC) grant.	
Health System Strengthening Component of USAID's Mother and Child Health (MCH) Program for Pakistan	2012 - 2016
Coordinated the implementation of the USAID Grant.	
Systems of Change: Mobilizing Medical Resources for Pakistan	2013 - 2014
Portfolio Manager \$5 million Clinton Global Initiative	
Choked Pipes Documentary: Reforming Pakistan's Mixed Health System	2013 - 2015
Project lead for Health Systems Reform Advocacy Project.	
Livelihood Support & Promotion of Small Community Infrastructure Project (LACIP)	2013 - 2015
Project Manager for KfW Bankengruppe grant.	
Project Lead QUEST: Quality Upheld, Every Service, Every Time	2014 - 2015
Technical Head for PAI / David and Lucile Packard Foundation grant.	
Health Sector Support Program & MNCH Program-Pakistan	2011 - 2014
Technical Lead for GIZ grant	

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

British Medical Journal Global Health	04/2025
– https://gh.bmj.com/content/10/Suppl_2/e017442	
An unfinished agenda: insights from seven country case studies on strengthening primary health care in the Western Pacific Region <i>Alexandra Edelman, Lluís Vinyals Torres, Anis Kazi, Kumanan Rasanathan, Robert Marten</i>	
WHO Regional Office for the Western Pacific.	11/2023
– https://iris.who.int/handle/10665/370373	
Regional framework on the future of Primary Health Care in the Western Pacific <i>Ogochukwu Chukwujekwu, Anis Kazi</i>	
PLOS ONE – https://goo.gl/upVHgH	10/2015
The Role of Quality Health Services in Strengthening Health Systems; a Multilevel Analysis <i>Hannah Tappis, Anis Kazi, Waqas Hameed</i>	
Book Chapter, Health Promotion Theory, Open University Press	07/2013
– http://orca.cf.ac.uk/id/eprint/53911	
The Rose Hypothesis <i>Adam Fletcher, Liza Cragg and Anis Kazi</i>	
World Conference of Social Determinants of Health – https://goo.gl/vOY8Gt	10/2011
Achieving Health Equity in Pakistan through Health Equity Funds <i>Sania Nishtar, Faraz Khalid, Anis Kazi</i>	
World Health Report – https://goo.gl/qQ3zN2	12/2010
Protecting the poor against Health related Impoverishment in Pakistan <i>Sania Nishtar, Faraz Khalid, Andleeb Ikram, Anis Kazi</i>	

Languages

English Native 	Urdu Native 	Hindi Advanced 
Pashto Intermediate 	Punjabi Intermediate 	