

Strengthening healthcare systems ^[1]



A treatment is only as good as the system that delivers it. We therefore seek opportunities to lower local barriers to healthcare delivery, working in collaboration with governments and other partners to support quality patient care in areas where we can have the greatest impact.

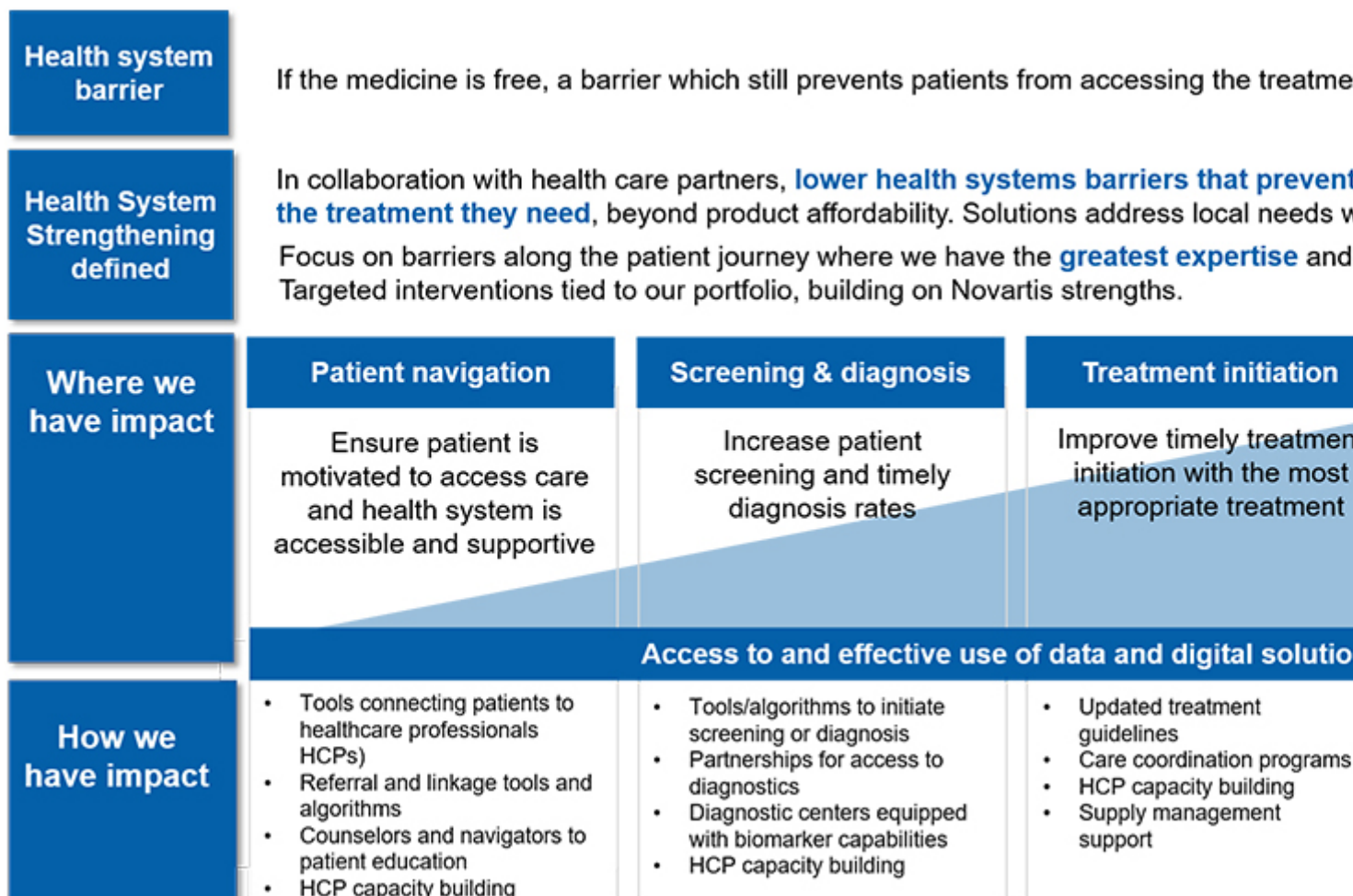
For example, the Novartis Global Health Alliance (previously the Novartis Africa Health Alliance) helps support Novartis country organizations with targeted health system strengthening programs. We work to empower patients to take ownership of their health and to better understand and manage their disease. We implement a number of programs to raise awareness on diseases, promote health-seeking behavior and educate on disease management.

We also invest in the training and support of healthcare workers to expand their knowledge

and improve their ability to help patients. And we facilitate programs and collaborations that can aid local research and clinical trial capabilities. For example, in partnership with the University of Basel we developed a novel fellowship training program called Next Generation Scientist (NGS). Launched in 2011, NGS invites talented young scientists and clinicians from developing countries to our Basel, Switzerland, campus for a three-month research internship. In 2020, we brought our core scientific exchange programs (including NGS) together under a common framework called Global Health Scholars.

In addition, we advocate for and support improvements in healthcare policy and healthcare systems design, for example regulatory harmonization and removing health system inefficiencies.

One Novartis health system strengthening framework



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