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# Health and the Post -2015 Framework for DRR: Key issues

- **Health is a top priority for communities and for DRR**
- **Yet insufficient attention to people's needs, health outcomes and sectoral actions**
- **Health and health outcomes are:**
  - A measure of impacts of disasters and effectiveness of actions
  - A bridge for effective DRR
  - Core of social justice
  - A pre-requisite for DRR towards sustainable development



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6. Risk management is preferable to risk reduction
7. Risk management is about local events and emergencies as well as large-scale disasters
8. All-hazards approach
9. Promoting science and technology research
10. Strengthen the action and resilience of health systems, including safer hospitals



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## Issues for discussion

- Are these the key messages we need to focus on to achieve better outcomes? Are these the messages we need to take from this group to the post 2015 dialogue?
- Will they provide the 'How' to improve the health outcomes for people at risk of disasters?
- What are the priorities over the next two years?



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## Final 3 points from the 'Health Imperative for Safer and Resilient Communities' event

- Peoples' health is a key outcome for disaster risk reduction, now and beyond 2015
- Strengthen the action and resilience of health systems, including safer hospitals
- Effectively address disabilities and other emerging and neglected community issues in disasters
- Better reporting and communication of all disaster health impact risks to include injury, illness, disability and mental health as well as deaths



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## Finally

- Thematic Platform on Emergency & Disaster Risk management for Health – Next Meeting  
8:00-09:00, THURSDAY, Room 13, Level 2
- Side event: Safer hospitals – essential priorities for disaster risk management and community  
13:00-13:55, THURSDAY, Room 7+8