Health Market Power Analysis

Addressing SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being to achieve universal health coverage (UHC)

- Starting in the Philippines (PHL) with the hope of expansion to other developing member countries
- Examples of PHL UHC policies: National Health Insurance, Health Financing Strategy, Zero Fees
- Great policies for UHC, but faced with many market failures: high out-of-pocket spending, poor infrastructure, limited access, inefficient investment (healthcare per capita)
- If left unaddressed, UHC policies can exacerbate market failures

This proposal seeks to determine the market power and its drivers of hospitals and insurance providers to devise appropriate competition policies that will complement UHC programmes

- Using econometrics, market power will be measured by the Lerner Index or by price elasticity
- Using supply and demand model variables for causal inference of the sources of market failures
- Happy to share expertise from working in the developing world
- Sharing this proposal to seek interested collaborators and learn from others' experiences
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